BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF JULIA ELLEN DIEKEMPER

License No. 14-100432-071

Case No. 13-843-0

SUMMARY ORDER

NOW ON THIS day of Folyman, 2015, THE ABOVE MATTER COMES BEFORE THE Kansas State Board of Nursing (Board) pursuant to authority granted to the Board by K.S.A. 65-1120. The Board hereby proposed to find facts and take disciplinary action against the licensee's license by way of Summary Order as provided by K.S.A. 77-537.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. This Licensee is licensed to practice nursing in the state of Kansas. The Board has jurisdiction over the Licensee and the subject matter of this action.
- 2. Licensee's address of record is P.O. Box 21835 Saint Louis, MO 63109.
- 3. After an investigation, the Board's investigative committee found reasonable grounds to believe that the Respondent violated the Kansas Nurse Practice Act, K.S.A. 65-1120, and referred this matter for further proceedings.
- 4. Review of the information gathered by the Board revealed the following upon which this action is based.
 - (a) According to a report, it is alleged that while working at St. Mary's Hospital as an employee of StarMed Agency, licensee diverted two doses of pain medication wastage.
 - (b) The Illinois Board of Nursing issued a reprimand for the above actions on the 4th day of September 2003.
 - (c) Licensee endorsed to the State of Kansas on or about the 19th day of October, 2006.

- (d) Licensee answered "no" to the question, "has any license, certification or registration (nursing or other) ever been denied, revoked, suspended, limited or disciplinary action taken by a licensing authority of any state, agency of the US government, territory of the US or county?"
- (e) Licensee filed reinstatements in the state of Kansas on the 21st day of May, 2010 and again on the 1st day of June 2012 answering "no" to this same question.
- (f) The KSBN had sent a investigative letter to this licensee on the 8th day of July, 2013 with no response.
- (g) Disciplinary counsel had further attempted to contact this licensee regarding these allegations on the 3rd day of June, 2014, with no response.
- 5. This Licensee violated the Nurse Practice Act by unprofessional conduct by criminal activity regarding drugs and failure to comply with the Kansas Nurse Assistance Program and complete.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- a. K.S.A. 65 1120(a)(1) unprofessional conduct by fraud or deceit in practicing nursing.
- b. K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(8), to have a license to practice nursing as a registered nurse or as a practical nurse denied, revoked, limited or suspended ... by a licensing authority of another state.
- c. K.S.A. 65-1120 (3) to be guilty of unprofessional conduct failing to furnish the board, its investigators, or its representative with any information legally requested by the board KAR 60-3-110 (t).
- 6. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1120(a), the Kansas State Board of Nursing may deny, revoke, limit or suspend any license, certificate of qualification or authorization to practice nursing as a registered professional nurse, as a licensed practical nurse, as an advanced registered nurse practitioner or as a registered nurse anesthetist that is issued by the board or

applied for under authorization, if the Licensee, Licensee or holder of a certificate of qualifications or authorization is found to have violated the Nurse Practice Act.

7. The above fact findings established evidence that the Licensee violated the following provisions of the Nurse Practice Act:

Count 1: K.S.A. 65 1120(a)(1) unprofessional conduct by fraud or deceit in practicing nursing.

Count 2: K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(8), to have a license to practice nursing as a registered nurse or as a practical nurse denied, revoked, limited or suspended ... by a licensing authority of another state.

Count 3: K.S.A. 65-1120 (3) to be guilty of unprofessional conduct failing to furnish the board, its investigators, or its representative with any information legally requested by the board KAR 60-3-110 (t).

8. The role of the Kansas State Board of Nursing is to protect citizens of Kansas.

POLICY STATEMENT

- 1. Truthfulness is the hallmark of the nursing profession and failure to disclose disciplinary actions from another state is a violation of the public trust.
- Failure to respond to multiple correspondence shows a total disregard of the Board's authority.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING THAT

- 1. Licensee's license to practice nursing in the state of Kansas is revoked.
- 2. Licensee shall pay \$70.00 costs of this action to the Board within thirty (30) days of the effective day of this Order.

Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-537, the decision, which is called a Summary Order, is subject to your request for hearing. If you desire a hearing, you must submit or direct a written request for hearing to: Kansas State Board of Nursing, Legal Division, 900 SW Jackson, Suite 1051, Topeka, Kansas 66612-1230, (785) 296-4325. THIS REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED

WITHIN FIFTEEN (15) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS ORDER. If a hearing is not requested in the time and manner stated, this Summary Order becomes effective as a final order, without further notice, upon the expiration of the time for requesting a hearing.

Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-531, if the Summary Order is served by mail, three days are added to the time limits set out above.

Judith Hiner RN, BSN Investigative Committee, Chair Kansas State Board of Nursing

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On the ____day of February, 2015, I deposited a copy of this SUMMARY ORDER with the United States Postal Service, postage pre-paid, addressed to:

Julia Ellen Diekemper P.O. Box 21835 Saint Louis MO 63109

> Michael R. Fitzgibbons #12287 Assistant Attorney General