

KANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING MARY BLUBAUGH MSN, RN, EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR

KATHLEEN SEBELIUS, GOVERNOR

January 28, 2008

Robert J. Johnson 2508 Veronica Dr Louisville, KY 40216 Case No. 07-845-0 License No. 14--051

SUMMARY ORDER

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Investigative Committee of the Kansas State Board of Nursing (KSBN) has reviewed your application materials. It is the decision of the Board that your reinstatement application to practice nursing as a registered nurse in Kansas is denied. This denial is based upon the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. (a) On or about 9/6/2007, the Board received Respondent's application for endorsement of his license to practice nursing in the state of Kansas as a registered nurse. On 9/27/2007 the Kansas Board of Nursing reviewed the application and made a direct referral to the Kansas Nurses Assistance Program (KNAP) for a substance abuse/dependency evaluation with subsequent monitoring if recommended. The referral was made on the basis of prior DUI convictions in his home state of Kentucky and a 2007 conviction of public intoxication and leaving the scene.
- (b) The respondent failed to follow through with the evaluation and was so notified by KNAP on November 13, 2007 by letter. The matter was again presented to the Kansas Board of Nursing on12/18/2007 and the Board referred the matter to the Office of the Attorney General with a request the office prepare a Summary Denial of the respondent's endorsement application.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

2. 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 this act or may publicly or privately censure a licensee or holder of a certificate of qualification or authorization, if the applicant, licensee or holder of a certificate of qualification or authorization is found to have violated the Nurse Practice Act.

The above fact findings establish evidence that the applicant violated the following provisions of the Nurse Practice Act:

- (a) 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, or to be publicly or privately censured, by a licensing authority of another state, agency of the United States government, territory of the United States or country or to have other disciplinary action taken against the applicant or licensee by a licensing authority of another state, agency of the United States government, territory of the United States or country.
- (b) K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(2) "to have been guilty of a felony or to have been guilty of a misdemeanor involving an illegal drug offense unless the applicant or licensee establishes sufficient rehabilitation to warrant the public trust..."
- (c) K.S.A. 65–1120(a)(6), unprofessional conduct by K.A.R. 60-3-110(s), failing to complete the requirements of the impaired provider program of the board.
- 3. K.S.A. 77-511(a)(2)(A) of the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act authorizes the use of summary proceedings by a state agency when denying an application in whole or in part.
- Your conduct described herein violates the Kansas Nurse Practice Act.
- 5. The role of the Kansas State Board of Nursing is to protect citizens of Kansas.
- 6. If you wish to dispute this matter, contact the Board immediately by following the procedure for requesting a hearing. A copy of your application will be sent to you upon request.
- 7. Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-537, this decision, which is called a Summary Order, is subject to your request for a 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 above, this Summary Order becomes effective and final upon the expiration of the time for requesting a hearing.

Tamara Hutchison, RN, BŚN Investigative Committee, Chair Kansas State Board of Nursing

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the ______ day of ________, 2008, the foregoing copy of the Summary Order was served by depositing the same in the United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid, addressed to the following:

Robert J. Johnson 2508 Veronica Dr Louisville, KY 40216

> Alma A. Heckler, #11855 Assistant Attorney General