BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson #1051 Topeka, Kansas 66612-1230

IN THE MATTER OF Dan Lee Heuertz

License No. 23-22975-022 Case Nos. 13-1120-0 and 16-137-9 EFFECTIVE AS A FINAL ORDER

DATE: 10-19-201

SUMMARY ORDER

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 proposes to find facts and take disciplinary action against the nurse license of Dan Lee Heuertz, (Licensee) by way of Summary Order as provided by K.S.A. 77-537.

- 1. a. 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.
 - b. Licensee's address of record is 16458 Kiowa Rd, Valley Falls KS 66088.
- 2. The role of the Kansas State Board of Nursing is to protect citizens of Kansas.
- 3. 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. Pursuant to K.S.A. 74-1110 the Kansas State Board of Nursing may also assess a civil fine not to exceed \$1,000.00 for the first violation of a law or rule and regulation applicable to the practice for which such person has been granted a license.
- 4. After an investigation, the Board's investigative committee found reasonable grounds to believe that the Applicant violated the Kansas Nurse Practice Act, K.S.A. 65-1120, and referred this matter for further proceedings.
- 5. K.S.A. 77-511(a)(2)(A) of the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act authorizes the use of summary proceedings by a state agency if the use of summary proceedings does not violate any provision of law, the protection of the public interest does not require the state agency to give notice and an opportunity to participate to persons other than the parties, and the state agency believes in good faith, after investigation of the facts, that the allegations will be supported to the applicable standard of proof.

FINDINGS OF FACT

6. (a) On or about March 27, 2012 the Board of Nursing for the State of Montana, in a summary order, suspended the licensee's nursing license.

- (b) On or about April 17, 2013 the Board of Nursing for the State of Montana, in a final order, indefinitely suspended the licensee's nursing license.
- (c) The actions of the Montana Board of Nursing were premised on findings that the licensee had diverted narcotics prescribed for residents at his place of employment.
- (d) On Licensee's 2014 and 2016 Kansas nursing license renewals he falsely answered 'no' to whether any license had ever been suspended.

VIOLATIONS

- 7. The above fact findings establish evidence that the Licensee violated the following provisions of the Kansas Nurse Practice Act:
- Count 1: K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(1), to be guilty of fraud or deceit in practicing nursing or in procuring or attempting to procure a license to practice 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, 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.
- Count 3: K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(6) and K.A.R. 60-3-110, to be guilty of unprofessional conduct as defined by rules and regulations of the board; to wit: diverting drugs, supplies, or property of any patient or agency.

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

- 1. Licensee's license is revoked.
- 2. Licensee shall not practice nursing in the state of Kansas.

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 <u>written</u> 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. If a hearing is requested, the prior issuance of a summary order shall not affect the burden of proof. 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

Dan Heuertz 16458 Kiowa Rd Valley Falls KS 66088

Bryce D. Benedict, S. Ct. No. 11663

Assistant Attorney General

FINAL ORDER NOTICE OF RIGHTS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that this is a Final Order. A Final Order is effective upon service. A party to an agency proceeding may seek judicial review of a Final Order by filing a petition in the District Court as authorized by K.S.A. 77-601, *et seq.* A petition must be filed within 30 days following service of the Final Order. A copy of any petition for judicial review must be served upon Mary Blubaugh, Executive Administrator, Kansas State Board of Nursing, 900 SW Jackson, Suite 1051, Topeka KS 66612.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on the _____ day of October, 2016, a copy of the Final Order and Final Order Notice of Rights was served by depositing the same in the United States Mail, first-class postage prepaid, addressed to the following:

Dan Heuertz 16458 Kiowa Road Valley Falls KS 66088

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Assistant Attorney General