# SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION BEFORE THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF:

DANNA M. POWELL (DAVIS), R.N. License No. RN.65521

# NOTICE OF FINAL ORDER HEARING

OIE # 2008-310

Respondent.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the State Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, will consider the <u>Report of its Disciplinary Panel</u> in the above matter. YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO APPEAR on <u>March 25, 2010</u>, at 1:00 p.m. in Room 108, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina. The Panel's Report, together with the transcript of the testimony taken and the exhibits in evidence before the Panel, has been filed with the Administrator of the Board.

FURTHER, the Board will consider the Report for the purpose of determining its action thereon. The Board can accept the Report in its entirety, modify the findings in the report, or make a new determination based on the information provided at the hearing. The Respondent and/or her counsel shall have the right to appear before the Board at said hearing and to submit briefs and be heard in oral argument in opposition to or in support of the recommendations of the Panel.

BY:

JOCELYDYT. ANDINO Assistant General Counsel LLR - Office of General Counsel Post Office Box 11329 Columbia, SC 29211-1329 (803) 896-4581

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# SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF NURSING (Board)

In the Matter of: Danna M. Powell (Davis), R.N. License No. 65521

Respondent.

DISCIPLINARY PANEL REPORT

OIE No. 2008-310

This matter came before the Board's Disciplinary Panel of Nursing (the Panel) for hearing on September 29, 2009. The Notice and Complaint, and the Notice of Panel Hearing were sent to the Respondent via certified mail on or about June 18, 2009. A quorum of Panel members was present. The Panel found that the State was diligent in attempting service and decided to proceed with the hearing.

The hearing was held pursuant to §1-23-310, §40-33-10 *et seq.*, and §40-33-110 *et seq.* of the South Carolina Code of Laws Ann. (1976, as amended) to determine whether sanctions should be imposed. The Respondent did not appear and was not represented by counsel. Jocelyn T. Andino, Assistant General Counsel, represented the State.

The Respondent was charged with violations of 40-1-110(f) and 40-33-110(A)(1) of the South Carolina Code of Laws Ann. (1976, as amended).

## FINDINGS OF FACT

Based upon the preponderance of the evidence on the whole record, the Panel finds the facts of the case to be as follows:

1. The Respondent is a duly licensed Registered Nurse to practice in South Carolina, and was so licensed at all times relevant to the issues asserted in this case and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Panel.

2. The State presented evidence and testimony that on or about June 6, 2008, the Respondent, while employed with the Fountain Inn Nursing Home, was requested to submit to a drug screen along with the other nurses on duty due to some missing Lortab. The Respondent tested positive for amphetamines and methamphetamines, not Lortab. The Respondent was subsequently terminated.

3. The Board issued an Order of Temporary Suspension on November 5, 2008. The Order of Temporary Suspension was personally served on the Respondent on or about November 20, 2008.

4. The State presented evidence and testimony that the Respondent enrolled with the Recovering Professional Program (RPP) on or about November 7, 2008 and was referred to Cornerstone for an alcohol & drug evaluation. The Respondent was also referred to AccuDiagnostics for a hair test. RPP discharged the Respondent on December 22, 2008 for noncompliance for failure to obtain the evaluation and hair test.

5. The State presented evidence and testimony that the Respondent re-enrolled with RPP on or about February 24, 2009 and obtained an evaluation from Cornerstone. The Respondent did not respond to RPP communications on several occasions and missed numerous treatment sessions. RPP discharged the Respondent on or about June 16, 2009.

6. Should a finding of fact constitute a conclusion of law, or *vice versa*, it is adopted as such and directed that it be treated accordingly.

# CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based upon careful consideration of the facts in this matter, the Panel finds and concludes as a matter of law that:

1. The Panel has jurisdiction in this matter and, upon finding that a licensee has violated any of the provisions of § 40-33-110 *et seq.* the South Carolina Code of Laws Ann. (1976, as amended), has the authority to cancel, fine, suspend, revoke, issue a public reprimand or private reprimand, or restrict, including probation or other reasonable action, such as requiring additional education and training, the authorization to practice of a person who has engaged in misconduct.

2. The Respondent violated §40-1-110(f) and §40-33-110 (A)(1) of the South Carolina Code of Laws Ann. (1976, as amended) by committing an unethical act that violated a federal, state, or local law by testing positive for amphetamines and methamphetamines. The Board may receive such evidence to reach an independent conclusion in making an administrative decision regarding discipline. A conviction is not required.

3. The sanction(s) imposed is designed not to punish the Respondent, but to protect the life, health, and welfare of the public at large.

## **RECOMMENDATION (S)**

The Panel, based upon the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as indicated above, recommends:

1. The continued suspension of the Respondent's license until such time as she petitions and appears before the Board.

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2. The Respondent must comply with any sanctions or restrictions that may be placed upon the Respondent's license by the Board.

SOUTH CAROLINA DISCIPLINARY PANEL OF NURSING

r W BY: Pat Godbold

Panel Chairperson

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In the Matter of:

DANNA M. POWELL (DAVIS), R.N. License No. 65521

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

OIE #2008-310

Respondent.

I hereby certify that I have this day caused to be served the within Notice of Final Order Hearing and copy of Disciplinary Report upon the person hereafter named, by placing the same in an envelope, securely wrapped, in the United States Mail, certified mail, return receipt requested, properly addressed to the said person hereafter named, at the place and address stated below, which is the last known address for the same:

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Given before Jennifer S. Angooraj, Professional Verbatim Court Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of South Carolina, commencing at the hour of 10:16 a.m. on Tuesday, September 29, 2009, at the offices of the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina.

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#### PROCEEDINGS

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2	MS. GODBOLD: This is the hearing of the South
3	Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and
4	Regulation Board of Nursing versus Danna M.
5	Powell Davis being held in Columbia, South
6	Carolina this 29th day of September 2009. The
7	Complaint and Notice of Hearing was served to
8	the Respondent's last known address by
9	certified mail on June 18th, 2009 and returned
10	unclaimed on July 9th, 2009. All of these
11	documents are in the Board's file and made a
12	part of the record. My name is Pat Godbold
13	and I am the designated chairperson for this
14	hearing. The other members of the Nursing
15	Board Panel hearing on this case are Patricia
16	Johnson and Karen Thames. The attorney
17	advising the Board is Gwen Thomas (sic). The
18	Respondent is not present. The State is
19	represented by Jocelyn T. Andino, legal
20	counsel for the South Carolina Department of
21	Labor, Licensing, and Regulation. This
22	hearing will be conducted as informally as is
23	compatible with an equitable presentation of
24	both sides of the case and in compliance with
25	the provisions of the South Carolina

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1	Administrative Procedure Act and the Nursing
2	Board Rules and Regulation. The Panel will
3	hear testimony and receive evidence and shall
4	then make a report of the proceedings before
5	it including its findings of fact, conclusions
6	of law, and recommendations and shall file the
7	same with the Secretary of the Board within 60
8	days of this hearing. Ms. Andino.
9	OPENING REMARKS FOR THE STATE BY
10	MS. ANDINO: Okay. This is the matter of Ms. Danna
11	Powell, registered nurse with license number
12	65521 and OIE case number 2008-310. We're
13	here today based on information and belief
14	that Ms. Powell has conducted herself in a way
15	that has violated the Nurse Practice Act and
16	the South Carolina Code of Laws.
17	Specifically, the State is alleging that on
18	June 6th, 2008, while she was working at
19	Fountain Inn Nursing Home, she was requested
20	to submit to a drug screen by her employer and
21	she tested positive for amphetamines and
22	methamphetamines. On November 5th, 2008, the
23	Board issued an Order temporarily suspending
24	her license to practice nursing in this State,
25	and Ms. Powell was personally served with that

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1	order on November 20th, 2008. In addition,
2	the State is alleging that on February 24th,
3	2009, Ms. Powell enrolled with the South
4	Carolina Recovering Professional Program. She
5	was referred to Cornerstone and was evaluated
6	and diagnosed with methamphetamine dependence.
7	Therefore, the State has alleged that due to
8	those acts Ms. Powell has violated Section 40-
9	33-110 (A)(1) and Section 40-1-110 (f) of the
10	South Carolina Code of Laws.
11	MS. GODBOLD: Thank you. Do you want to call your
12	first witness?
13	MS. GREEN: I have one question. What was the OI -
14	- OGC number, please?
15	MS. ANDINO: They're going, they're doing away with
16	OGC numbers, so the newer ones just have OIE
17	numbers.
18	MS. GREEN: Okay. Thank you.
19	MS. ANDINO: Yep. I'd like to go ahead and make a
20	part of the record State's Exhibit Number 1,
21	just the Notice of Hearing, the Formal
22	Complaint, and the Certificate of Service
23	showing that Ms. Powell was properly served
24	and she did receive notice of this hearing
25	today.

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1		(Whereupon, the Notice of Hearing, the
2		Notice, the Formal Complaint, and the
3		Certificate of Service, consisting of 6
4		pages, is marked as the State's Exhibit
5		Number 1 for identification.)
6		MS. GODBOLD: Thank you. It's accepted.
7		MS. ANDINO: At this time, I would call the State's
8		first witness, Investigator Ron Cook.
9	Whereupon	ı,
10		Investigator Ronald W. Cook, Sr., is duly sworn and
11		cautioned to speak the truth, the whole truth, and
12		nothing but the truth.
13	DIRECT EX	XAMINATION OF INVESTIGATOR COOK BY MS. ANDINO:
14	Q.	Mr. Cook, please state your full name for the
15		record.
16	A.	Ronald William Cook, Sr.
17	Q.	Mr. Cook, where are you currently employed?
18	Α.	I am the Drug Diversion Coordinator for the Office
19		of Investigations and Enforcement at the South
20		Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and
21		Regulation.
22	Q.	And as the Drug Diversion Coordinator, what, what
23		are those duties that you have?
24	A.	I supervise and coordinate the investigation of
25		complaints involving alcohol and drugs for the

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1		medical boards under the South Carolina Department
2		of Labor, Licensing and Regulation.
3	Q.	And how long have you been an investigator here at
4		LLR?
5	Α.	At LLR since 2003.
6	Q.	Okay. Did you investigate a matter involving Ms.
7		Danna Powell Davis?
8	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
9	Q.	And was this investigation initiated pursuant to a
10		complaint, which is the requirement by law?
11	Α.	It was.
12	Q.	And briefly, what was the issue behind that
13		complaint?
14	Α.	Need to qualify that just a little bit. I this
15		complaint came in before the Drug Diversion Unit
16		was formed and it was assigned to a previous
17		investigator by the name of Mr. Patsolic. That
18		investigation came in from Ms. Powell Davis's
19		employer where she had been suspected of diversion
20		of controlled substances. She was subjected for a
21		for-cause drug screen which was returned positive
22		for amphetamines and methamphetamines.
23	Q.	Okay. And just going back you said that initially
24		when the complaint came in it was assigned to a
25		different investigator?

Page 9 1 Α. That's correct. 2 Can you state the investigator's name again, Ο. 3 please? Michael Patsolic. 4 Α. 5 Ο. And is he, is he still employed with LLR? Is he 6 still employed with -- okay. 7 Α. No, ma'am. He resigned and sought employment out-8 of-state. 9 Okay. Let me show you what the State's going to Q. 10 mark as Exhibit 2 and ask you if you can tell me if 11 that, that's what you were able to review during, 12 during your investigation of this case. 13 (Whereupon, the Drug Test Record of Danna 14 M. Powell Davis, consisting of 3 pages, is marked as the State's Exhibit Number 2 15 for identification.) 16 17 Ο. Mr. Cook, are these the records you reviewed during 18 your investigation? Yes, ma'am. These records were in the file when it 19 Α. was assigned to me. These records and documents 20 21 had been received from the complainant, Ms. Helga 22 Longino, when she submitted her Formal Complaint. 23 And are these the only -- is this the only Q. 24 information you have regarding the drug test? 25 Yes, ma'am. Α.

1	Q.	Okay. And based on, on, on this record, which is
2		the State's Exhibit 2, was this the drug test for
3		Ms. Danna Powell Davis?
4	Α.	It was Danna Powell at the time. Sometime during
5		this investigation she allegedly married and
6		changed her name to Davis, but she never formally
7		notified the Board of Nursing.
8	Q.	And can you tell me what date the drug test was
9		conducted based on, on this Exhibit?
10	Α.	This was on June the 6th of 2008.
11	Q.	Okay. And what were the results of the drug test?
12	Α.	The results was positive for amphetamine and
13		positive for methamphetamine.
14	Q.	And was this drug test verified by a medical review
15		officer?
16	Α.	It was. It was verified by Dr. Christopher J.
17		Rubel, R-U-B-E-L, medical doctor, on June the 18th
18		of 2008.
19	Q.	Okay. And do you know just from when you received
20		the file, after it being previously assigned to
21		another investigator, do you know if that previous
22		investigator, Mr. Patsolic, if he had an
23		opportunity to contact Ms. Powell?
24	Α.	According to the investigative log, Mr. Patsolic
25		was assigned this investigation on June the 24th.

Page 11 1 From June the 24th until August the 12th, Mr. 2 Patsolic made a number of telephone calls, he sent a regular mail notification to her and a certified 3 4 mail notification to her requesting that she 5 contact him. During that period of time, he did 6 not receive any response from her. He did receive 7 a response from her on August the 12th, at which time she consented to an interview on August the 8 9 18th in Greenwood. And do you know if he was actually able to meet 10 Q. with her on that date? 11 12 According to his log, he met with her at McDonald's Α. 13 in Greenwood and discussed the complaint, which is 14 our normal practice. Also, her opportunity to 15 respond to that complaint, present her side of the story with a written statement ---16 17 Uh-huh. Ο. 18 Α. --- and also to refer her to the Recovering 19 Professional Program for the purpose of obtaining 20 an evaluation assessment to determine if she was 21 safe to continue practicing as a nurse and if she 22 had dependency. And if she had a dependency, to 23 what level and what resources she would need to 24 address that dependency in order to get her back to 25 where she would be safe to continue practicing as a

1 nurse in South Carolina. 2 And after that meeting which you said was August Ο. 3 18th 2008, do you know if he was able to meet with 4 her again at another point? 5 Α. He was not. He, according to his log, he never 6 received anything from her and she never contacted RPP to enroll to have this evaluation assessment 7 conducted. 8 9 And when were you able to first make contact with Q. Ms. Powell? 10 11 This investigation was assigned to me on September Α. 12 the 9th, at which time I reviewed it and determined

13 the allegations and what Mr. Patsolic had done up 14 to that point. I began trying to locate Ms. 15 Powell. And that's when I learned that she was, at 16 that time, using the last name of Davis, allegedly 17 having married or remarried and was using the name 18 of Davis.

19 So you, you were able to contact her by phone or Ο. 20 were you able to meet her in person?

21 I initially started calling the numbers in the file Α. 22 that she had provided to the Board of Nursing. 23 Uh-huh. Ο.

#### And I received a answer on one occasion from a male 24 Α. 25 who identified himself as her son. And he's the

Page 13 one that told me she had married and was living at 1 2 another residence, another telephone number with 3 her sister. I began calling that number. And on 4 several occasions, it was answered by a male voice mail which identified it as a residence of someone 5 6 else. I left numerous messages there and never 7 received a response to my messages. I tried to call the son back to determine where that residence 8 9 was so that I could go there and maybe make 10 personal contact. I was never able to contact him 11 back at the previous number. Continuing to call that number, I eventually got an unidentified male 12 13 to answer the phone and he acknowledged that Ms. Davis was there. I asked to speak with her and as 14 15 soon -- I could hear whispering in the background because I told him who I was. And as soon as he 16 17 told her it was someone from the Board of Nursing 18 calling, the phone went dead. 19 MS. GREEN: Please Madam, Madam Chairperson, may I 20 speak? This is all hearsay and if, if, if the 21 person was here, if the Respondent was here, you know it would be inadmissible. And so I 22 23 would suggest that if he had, if you have some 24 direct testimony ---And I'll direct the witness. 25 Q.

Page 14 1 MS. GREEN: --- and please. 2 Mr. Cook, if you can just answer the question just Ο. 3 specifically that I ask you without going into 4 detail as to what you may have been told or, or 5 what ---6 Α. Okay. 7 Ο. --- may have been said to you. Were you ever able to speak personally with Ms. Powell? 8 9 Α. Yes, ma'am. Did you schedule times to meet with her? 10 Ο. 11 I attempted on several occasions to schedule Α. 12 meetings with her. We scheduled meetings and she would never show up, never call. She did make some 13 calls after work hours to the main number of our 14 15 office leaving excuses why she couldn't be here. 16 Ο. Were you ever able to meet with her personally? 17 I did eventually make contact with her. Α. 18 Q. And on what day was that? 19 Excuse me just a moment. Let me refer to the Α. 20 notes. 21 Uh-huh. 0. 22 Α. That was on November the 21st. 23 When you met with her personally? Ο. 24 That was when I contacted her. Established contact Α. 25 to schedule a meeting with her. She had had a

1 meeting with ---2 Did you -- let me just ask you. Did you -- in Ο. 3 2009, did you meet Ms. Powell personally in order 4 to be able to discuss the pending disciplinary 5 matters against her? I did. 6 Α. Yes, ma'am. 7 And do you recall the date of that meeting? And if 0. you don't recall the exact date, that's fine. 8 9 Α. I have it in my file here. 10 Q. That's okay. We can, we can move along. Just, do 11 you recall if Ms. Powell ever submitted to you a 12 written statement regarding the allegations against 13 her? 14 No, she did not. And ---Α. 15 Ο. Okay. --- in the latter part of 2009, she went to RPP to 16 Α. 17 meet with Mr. McCoy. 18 Q. Okay. And we'll, we'll -- I'm, I'm, I'm going to 19 get to, to RPP. You're referring to RPP. Is it 20 normal practice for the investigators at LLR to 21 coordinate closely with RPP, which is the 22 Recovering Professional Program? 23 Yes, ma'am. Α. 24 And is -- was this such a case that you guys Q.

25 communicated with one another? You being you and

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1		RPP?
2	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
3	Q.	Okay. Let me show you what I'm going to mark as
4		State's Exhibit Number 3.
5		(Whereupon, the Order of Temporary
6		Suspension, consisting of 2 pages, is
7		marked as the State's Exhibit Number 3
8		for identification.)
9	Q.	This is a, as you know, a Board-issued Order. Can
10		you tell me, can you identify what this is, please?
11	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
12	Q.	And what is it?
13	Α.	This is an Order of Temporary Suspension that was
14		issued by the Board of Nursing, signed by president
15		of the Board, Ms. Brenda Yates Martin, based on an
16		Affidavit that I submitted to our Office of General
17		Counsel requesting that this Order be issued.
18	Q.	And what is, what is the date of that Order?
19	Α.	November the 5th of 2008.
20	Q.	And was that Order of Temporary Suspension
21		personally served on Ms. Powell?
22	Α.	It was personally served by Investigator Thomas
23		Byrd on November the 20th.
24	Q.	And to your knowledge, just very briefly, for what
25		reasons would you say the Board usually issues

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	1		these types of Orders suspending a nurse's license
	2		to practice?
	3	A.	When there is a concern for public safety.
	4	Q.	Okay. I don't have any further questions. Please
	5		answer any questions the Panel may have.
	6	EXAMINATI	ON OF INVESTIGATOR COOK BY THE PANEL:
	7		MS. GODBOLD: Do you have any questions?
	8		MS. JOHNSON: Pardon me. You did actually
	9		physically speak with her sometime in 2009, I
	10		mean, face to face?
	11	Α.	In August, in August of 2009. Yes, ma'am.
	12		MS. GREEN: I'm, I'm sorry. He, he said 2008
	13		before. Is it 2008 or 2009? I'm sorry.
	14	A.	I finally met with her here in August of 2009. I
	15		spoke with her by telephone in '08.
	16		MS. GREEN: Gotcha.
	17		MS. JOHNSON: Right. 11/21 you spoke to her on the
	18		phone?
	19		MS. GREEN: Gotcha.
	20		MS. JOHNSON: Okay.
	21	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
	22		MS. JOHNSON: So in August of 2009, you there
	23		has actually been some physical see-her/speak-
	24		to-her contact?
	25	Α.	She called me and wanted to know how she could get
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1		her license back, and I explained the procedure.
2		She had to go to RPP. When she finished there, she
3		needed to come here and discuss the procedures with
4		me, which she did. She came here to the Office of
5		Investigations and met with me after she left RPP
6		meeting with Mr. McCoy a second time.
7		MS. JOHNSON: Okay.
8	A.	First time she met with him she had an appointment
9		with me, she failed to stop here, she went back
10		home.
11		MS. JOHNSON: Okay.
12		MS. GODBOLD: Anything else? No further questions.
13		MS. ANDINO: Okay. The State's second witness is
14		Helga Longino. Let me just get her. The
15		court reporter's going to swear you in.
16	Whereupon	7
17		Helga Longino is duly sworn and cautioned to speak
18		the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the
19		truth.
20		COURT REPORTER: Will you please state your full
21		name for the record?
22		MS. LONGINO: Helga Longino.
23		COURT REPORTER: Please spell your last name.
24		MS. LONGINO: Last name L-O-N-G-I-N-O.
25		COURT REPORTER: Thank you.
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Page 19 1 DIRECT EXAMINATION OF MS. LONGINO BY MS. ANDINO: 2 Ms. Longino, where are you currently employed? Ο. 3 Α. At Fountain Inn Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. 4 Ο. Okay. And what are your duties there? 5 Α. I am the Director of Nursing Services. And how long have you been the director there? 6 0. 7 Α. Since 1995. And as a, as the director of Fountain Inn Nursing 8 Ο. 9 Home, is your office located within the nursing 10 home or is it in a separate area? 11 Α. It's within the facility. Okay. Was Ms. Danna Powell Davis ever employed at 12 Ο. 13 Fountain Inn Nursing Home? 14 Yes, ma'am. Α. 15 Ο. And how long was she employed with you guys? 16 Α. For approximately a year or a little longer. 17 Okay. Can you give me the time frame of her Ο. 18 employment? It's from June 7th, '07, I think. Hold on, I've 19 Α. got that. From June 7th of 2007 through June 18th, 20 21 2008. 22 Ο. Okay. And what shifts did Ms. Powell normally 23 work? 24 At the time of her termination, she was working my Α. 25 weekend Baylor shift.

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1	Q.	Okay. And do you recall Ms. Powell submitting to a
2		drug test while employed at Fountain Inn back in
3		June? Specifically, June 6th of 2008?
4	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
5	Q.	And what was the reason for requiring her to submit
6		to a drug test at that time?
7	Α.	We had had some, some medication, Loritabs that had
8		come missing out of our med cart. And as part of
9		our investigation talking to corporate, we
10		decided to a time period from, I think it was
11		like a Thursday through the Monday, any nurses that
12		had worked on those carts, we requested that they
13		go do have a drug test done as part of our
14		investigation.
15	Q.	Okay. So Ms. Powell, was she the only employee
16		asked to submit to a drug test?
17	A.	No, ma'am. All, all the nurses, which I think was
18		approximately seven nurses.
19	Q.	And those nurses that were asked to submit, those
20		were the nurses that had access to the medication
21		cart?
22	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
23	Q.	Okay. And you said that you guys discovered that
24		there was some medications missing and that's what
25		prompted the drug test. Was that discovery on the

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same day as the drug test? Α. We -- it was -- I have to remember my records. Let me look. On June the 3rd is when it was discovered that the Loritabs were missing. Q. And the drug tests were, were requested on June the 6th? Α. Yes, ma'am. And can you explain why there was that, that wait, Ο. that three-day wait period? This not being something that we were used to Α. dealing with, and basically I consulted with corporate on how they wanted to proceed with the situation as far as our investigation. And that was a time frame, I guess from the time when I reported the incident to the time that they asked as part of their investigation to ask -- request our nurses to go have the drug test done. Q. Okay. And were the drug tests, were they done at your request? Yes, ma'am. Well, mine through my -- corporate Α. asked me, and I called the nurses up and asked them to go. All, all six or seven nurses? Ο.

A. Yes, ma'am.

25 Q. Okay. And so by contacting them, you contacted Ms.

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1		Powell as well to inform her that she needed to
2		submit to a drug test?
3	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
4	Q.	And was she working on that day, June 6th?
5	Α.	No, ma'am. She was actually at home.
6	Q.	So the request was done over the phone?
7	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
8	Q.	And did she come to the facility for the drug test?
9	Α.	No, ma'am.
10	Q.	Where did she go?
11	Α.	She went to what's called Hillcrest Family
12		Practice. It's the doctor's office who also does -
13		- our Workman's Comp doctors.
14	Q.	Okay. And to your knowledge, was the drug test
15		done on, on the day of your request June 6th, 2008?
16	Α.	You know, I'm unclear on that. I want to say she
17		did. If she didn't, it was within a, about 24
18		hours.
19	Q.	Okay. Do you recall what the results were for the
20		drug test?
21	Α.	That she did positive for a meth, methamphetamines.
22	Q.	Okay. And did the positive for the drugs, were
23		those the same drugs that were discovered missing
24		from the facility?
25	Α.	No, ma'am.
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1	Q.	Okay. Did any other employees test positive on
2		their drug tests?
3	Α.	No, ma'am.
4	Q.	Did you have an opportunity to review the results
5		of the drug tests?
6	Α.	Yes, ma'am. A copy was sent to me.
7	Q.	And right there, what's on that table right
8	A.	Yes, ma'am.
9	Q.	in the corner, is the State's Exhibit which
10		shows the drug tests. Are those the tests that you
11		were able to review?
12	A.	Yes, ma'am.
13	Q.	Okay. And do you recall when you got the test
14		results back?
15	Α.	The, the when we got basically a positive result
16		was on June the 18th.
17	Q.	Okay. And during that time pending the results of
18		the drug tests, did Ms. Powell work at Fountain Inn
19		Nursing Home?
20	Α.	Yes, ma'am. She did.
21	Q.	About how many days or specifically on what days
22		did she work?
23	Α.	She worked five days. She actually worked on June
24		the 7th and 8th, the 9th, and the 14th and 15th.
25	Q.	Were all of the nurses allowed to work at the

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1		facility pending the results of the exam?
2	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
3	Q.	And you said you guys got the results back on the
4		18th of June?
5	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
6	Q.	Once you got the results back, did you contact Ms.
7		Powell about those results?
8	Α.	I attempted to contact her. She was actually
9		notified by the chain of custody physician, but I
10		know I don't remember at what time frame I
11		talked to her. But I know during that short period
12		of time I did speak with her because she, she was
13		aware of it and she basically denied that, you
14		know, she'd done the drugs and everything. I just
15		told her I had to go by the documentation that was
16		presented to me from the physician.
17	Q.	And this was over the phone?
18	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
19	Q.	After you received the results of the drug test,
20		did Ms. Powell return to the nursing home to work?
21	Α.	No, ma'am.
22	Q.	And what action did you take after receiving the
23		positive results?
24	Α.	We, we terminated her services at that time.
25	Q.	And since her termination, have you had any contact

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with Ms. Powell?

2 I have spoken with Ms. Powell a couple times over Α. 3 the past year or so. At one time she contacted me 4 about coming back to employment. At that time I 5 think she was -- she's like me. We're not really 6 familiar with this. And she wasn't -- I guess she 7 thought everything had been settled. And when I tried to call her back, we played phone tag a lot. 8 9 I guess she must, must have become aware that she 10 couldn't work because I never could get ahold of 11 I actually talked to someone down here at the her. 12 Board who kind of clarified with me that she could not return to work at this time. 13 14 Okay. I don't have any further questions. Please Q. 15 answer any questions the Panel may have. 16 Α. Yes, ma'am. 17 EXAMINATION OF MS. LONGINO BY THE PANEL: 18 MS. GODBOLD: Do you have any questions? 19 MS. JOHNSON: I have a few. Did you go back and do 20 any documentation review to see whether or not 21 there was any evidence of any actual diversion 22 based on her signing meds in and out of a med 23 cart or anything like that? Did you see 24 anything that raised any suspicion that she 25 was actually physically diverting drugs from

Page 26 1 the facility or from patients? 2 No, ma'am. I didn't have any indication. We kind Α. 3 of at the time when this was going on, we had a 4 suspect. 5 MS. JOHNSON: Uh-huh. Which that's a whole different case, another 6 Α. situation. She was just one of those things -- I 7 really wasn't expecting this. 8 9 MS. JOHNSON: Uh-huh. Α. When, when she, when this -- when her results came 10 11 back positive, it really surprised me. 12 MS. JOHNSON: Okay. And were there in, in the time that she was employed, did she have any other 13 14 disciplinary actions? 15 Α. Just tardiness. Being one minute, two minute, ten minutes late. I was looking back through the files 16 17 and I did see where I had written her up for being 18 tardy a few times. 19 MS. THAMES: I have one question. Do you normally 20 stock any type of medications of an 21 amphetamine nature in your carts? I'm 22 thinking nursing home ---23 No, ma'am. We generally don't. Most of ours is Α. 24 just a little pain medications, Ativans, Ambien. 25 MS. THAMES: Mostly sedation type?

Page 27 1 Α. Yeah. Uh-huh. 2 MS. GODBOLD: Anything else? I have no further 3 questions. (Off the record discussion.) 4 5 MS. GODBOLD: We have no further questions. 6 MS. ANDINO: Does the Panel anticipate calling Ms. 7 Longino back? If not, I can go ahead and dismiss her for today. 8 9 MS. GODBOLD: Do you see any reason for her to 10 stay? 11 MS. GREEN: Not based on what you just told me. MS. GODBOLD: Yeah. You, you can be dismissed. 12 13 Thank you. 14 Α. Okay. Thank you. MS. ANDINO: The State's final witness is Chris 15 16 McCoy from RPP. 17 MS. GODBOLD: Thank you. 18 Whereupon, 19 Chris M. McCoy (RPP) is duly sworn and cautioned to 20 speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. 21 DIRECT EXAMINATION OF MR. MCCOY BY MS. ANDINO: 22 23 Please state your full name for the record. Ο. 24 Christopher Mark McCoy. Α. 25 Okay. Where are you currently employed? Q.

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1	Α.	At RPP.
2	Q.	And what are your duties there at RPP?
3	Α.	I'm a case manager.
4	Q.	And how long have you been a case manager there?
5	Α.	Two years.
6	Q.	Okay. Are you familiar with Ms. Danna Powell
7		Davis?
8	Α.	Yes, I am.
9	Q.	And when was your first contact with Ms. Powell?
10	Α.	On November 7th, 2008, she showed up for her first
11		enrollment with us.
12	Q.	Okay. You said that was November 7th, 2008?
13	Α.	Yes.
14	Q.	And at that time well, let, let me go back.
15		Whenever you guys have someone come in, what is
16		your normal procedure as far as the first scheduled
17		appointment?
18	Α.	I'll usually contact the investigator here at the
19		Board to find out any pertinent information about
20		the case and to inquire if the investigator needs
21		to meet with that client further following the
22		intake. And that was the case with Robert Cook.
23	Q.	Okay. And whenever, like in this situation with
24		Ms. Powell, whenever she presented on November 7th,
25		did she agree to a Monitoring Agreement?

Page 29 1 Α. She did. 2 Okay. Let me show you -- what I have here is a Ο. 3 Monitoring Agreement for Ms. Powell, and ask you to 4 verify that's the Agreement that she agreed to back 5 in November 2008? Yes, it is. 6 Α. 7 (Whereupon, the Participant Monitoring Agreement, consisting of 5 pages, is 8 9 marked as the State's Exhibit Number 4 for identification.) 10 11 MS. GREEN: Ms. Andino, the Complaint says she was 12 enrolled in February 2009, so you're going to 13 14 MS. ANDINO: Yep. We'll -- yep. MS. GREEN: 15 Thank you. 16 Ο. And if you can just briefly state what, what 17 requirements are placed on, on these individuals 18 when they sign a Monitoring Agreement with RPP. 19 One of the first things that we ask any new client Α. to do is to obtain a dropping alcohol evaluation 20 21 from a third-party source such as Cornerstone in 22 Greenwood, South Carolina. And we make it a point 23 to schedule the appointment while they're in the 24 office with us so that, so that the loop is closed 25 so to speak.

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1	Q.	And this was done, this procedure was the same
2		procedure followed for Ms. Powell?
3	Α.	Yes.
4	Q.	Did she get an evaluation at that time?
5	Α.	No, she did not.
6	Q.	But you did recommend an evaluation?
7	Α.	Yes.
8	Q.	Okay. And it was scheduled?
9	Α.	It was scheduled for I don't have the exact
10		date, but it was middle of November of 2008.
11	Q.	Okay. And was Ms. Powell subsequently discharged
12		from RPP?
13	Α.	Yes, she was.
14	Q.	And when was she discharged?
15	Α.	December 22nd, 2008.
16	Q.	And for what reason?
17	Α.	Non-compliance with the referral. She hadn't
18		followed through with getting the evaluation.
19	Q.	Okay. And at anytime did Ms. Powell re-enroll with
20		RPP?
21	Α.	She did re-enroll on February 24th, 2009.
22	Q.	And did she sign another Monitoring Agreement?
23	Α.	Yes. She updated the previous Monitoring Agreement
24		by initialing and resigning.
25	Q.	And that's this Exhibit, the State's Exhibit 4,

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1		it's on there?
2	A.	Uh-huh.
3	Q.	And it does does that Exhibit indicate if she
4		signed up again on the 24th of February?
5	A.	Yes.
6	Q.	Okay. And did Ms. Powell get evaluated this time?
7	Α.	She did. She followed through with the referral to
8		Cornerstone and was evaluated on March the 6th,
9		2009.
10	Q.	Okay. At Cornerstone?
11	Α.	Yes.
12	Q.	And did she receive a diagnosis at that time?
13	Α.	Yes. It was methamphetamine dependence.
14	Q.	Can you explain what, what that means,
15		methamphetamine dependence?
16	A.	Sure. Any person who qualifies for three or more
17		of these in a 12-month period is diagnosed as
18		dependent. They either have tolerance; withdrawal
19		symptoms I'm just going to refer to some notes
20		here, because I don't know it all by heart
21		taking a substance in greater amounts or for longer
22		periods of time than intended; persistent desire or
23		unsuccessful attempts to quit using the substance;
24		much time or activity spent in obtaining, using, or
25		recovering from the substance; social or

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1		occupational activities given up or reduced as a
2		result of use; and continued use despite knowledge
3		of adverse consequences. And the person who
4		assessed Ms. Davis identified that she had
5		withdrawal symptoms, had unsuccessfully attempted
6		to quit in the past, and also had lost her job as a
7		result of her use.
8	Q.	Okay. And since, since that evaluation and since
9		she re-enrolled with RPP back in February of 2009,
10		has she been compliant with RPP?
11	A.	No, she hasn't.
12	Q.	Has she been discharged from RPP?
13	Α.	She has.
14	Q.	And when was she discharged?
15	Α.	June 16th, '09.
16	Q.	Let me show you what's going to be State's Exhibit
17		5 and ask you if this is the Discharge Memo that
18		RPP usually sends over to LLR whenever there is a
19		notification of discharge?
20		(Whereupon, the Discharge Memorandum from
21		the Recovering Professional Program,
22		consisting of 1 page, is marked as the
23		State's Exhibit Number 5 for
24		identification.)
25	Α.	Yes, it is.
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1	Q.	And is this memo with regards to Ms. Powell?
2	Α.	Yes.
3	Q.	And per the memo, for what reasons was Ms. Powell
4		discharged?
5	Α.	Her discharge the second time around was due to
6		multiple absences that were unexcused from her
7		treatment, and I would say extreme difficulty in
8		reaching her by phone.
9	Q.	And the memo states that the date of discharge is
10		June 16th; is that correct?
11	Α.	Yes.
12	Q.	And since June 16th of this year, have you had any
13		further contact with Ms. Powell?
14	Α.	I have not.
15	Q.	You haven't heard anything from her?
16	Α.	No.
17	Q.	Okay. I don't have any further questions. Please
18		answer any questions the Panel may have.
19	EXAMINAT	ION OF MR. MCCOY BY THE PANEL:
20		MS. GODBOLD: It's my understanding when enrolled
21		in RPP that you are subjected to random drug
22		tests?
23	Α.	Yes.
24		MS. GODBOLD: During that period of time from
25		February to June, was she requested to do drug

1	tests?
2	A. Not through our program specifically. But while
3	she was in treatment, that was a component of her
4	treatment.
5	MS. GODBOLD: Okay. Questions? When you met with
6	her, did she give any explanation as in
7	prescriptions that might have caused a
8	positive drug test for methamphetamines?
9	A. No. She admitted to using methamphetamines.
10	MS. GODBOLD: I have no further questions.
11	MS. ANDINO: Okay. You can step down. Thank you.
12	And at this time, the State rests.
13	MS. GODBOLD: All right. Would you like to do a
14	closing?
15	CLOSING REMARKS FOR THE STATE BY
16	MS. ANDINO: Just very briefly. The State contends
17	that it has shown by preponderance of the
18	evidence the allegations that have been laid
19	out in the Formal Complaint. And as a result,
20	that Ms. Powell has in fact violated the two
21	sections of the Code of Laws that was cited in
22	the Formal Complaint. And the State would
23	request that the Panel make a recommendation
24	to the Board that will help protect the public
25	and just remind you that her license is

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1	currently suspended, and the State would
2	recommend that that suspension continue.
3	Thank you.
4	MS. GODBOLD: Thank you. Appreciate y'all coming
5	today.
6	(Whereupon, at 10:53 a.m., the
7	proceeding in the above-entitled
8	matter was concluded.)
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4	Be it known that I, Jennifer S. Angooraj Professional Verbatim Court Reporter and Notary Public in and for the
5	State of South Carolina, took the foregoing hearing at 10:16 a.m. on Tuesday, September 29, 2009;
6	Thet the ferrer of reason constitute a time and
7	That the foregoing 35 pages constitute a true and accurate transcription of the proceedings and all testimony given at that time to the best of my skill and ability;
8	I further certify that I am not counsel or kin to any of
9	the parties to this cause of action, nor am I interested in any manner of its outcome.
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IN THE MATTER OF:

DANNA M. POWELL (DAVIS), R.N. License No. RN.65521

**NOTICE OF HEARING** 

OIE # 2008-310

Respondent.

To: Ms. Danna M. Powell (Davis), Respondent

#### PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT:

 The hearing in the above-captioned matter has been scheduled for <u>September 29, 2009</u>, at 10:00 a.m.\* in Room 202-02, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina.

IF YOU DO NOT APPEAR AT THE HEARING, THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING WILL CONDUCT THE HEARING IN YOUR ABSENCE. AFTER CONDUCTING THE HEARING, THE BOARD MAY TAKE SUCH DISCIPLINARY ACTION AS IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE CHARGES DESCRIBED, AND AS IS ALLOWED BY LAW.

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NOTICE

Respondent.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED AND <u>REQUIRED</u> to answer the Formal Complaint in this action, a copy of which is hereby served upon you; to file your Answer to said Formal Complaint with the Board of Nursing at Post Office Box 12367, Columbia, SC 29211-2367; and to serve a copy of your Answer to said Formal Complaint on the subscribed Attorney at Post Office Box 11329, Columbia, SC 29211-1329, within <u>thirty (30) days</u> after the service hereof, exclusive of the date of such service.

Failure to timely file your Answer in this matter may result in the allegations being admitted and a default judgment being rendered against you.

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June 19 , 2009.

#### IN THE MATTER OF:

DANNA M. POWELL (DAVIS), R.N. License No. RN.65521

OIE # 2008-310

### FORMAL COMPLAINT

Respondent.

The South Carolina Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, alleges that:

I.

Respondent is a Registered Nurse previously licensed by the Board to practice in South Carolina and was licensed at all times relevant to the matters asserted in this case. This Board has jurisdiction over Respondent and the subject matter of this action.

II.

The Board received an initial complaint and notification, as required by law, and investigated Respondent's conduct.

#### III.

Upon information and belief, Respondent has engaged in certain conduct that violates provisions of the South Carolina Nurse Practice Act (S.C. Code Ann. § 40-33-10, *et seq.* (1976, as amended)) and the Rules and Regulations of the Board, including the commission of the following acts:

- A. That on or about June 6, 2008, while employed at Fountain Inn Nursing Home, Respondent's employer requested that she submit to a drug screen. Respondent tested positive for amphetamines and methamphetamines.
- B. That on or about November 5, 2008, the Board issued an order to temporarily suspend Respondent's license, which was personally served on Respondent on November 20, 2008.
- C. That on or about February 24, 2009, Respondent enrolled with the SC Recovering Professional Program (RPP). Respondent was referred to Cornerstone in Greenwood, SC and was diagnosed with methamphetamine dependence.

IV.

As a result of the acts of misconduct alleged above, Respondent has violated S.C. Code Ann. 40-33-110(A)(1) and 40-1-110(f) (1976, as amended), in the following particulars:

- A. Respondent has violated § 40-33-110(A)(1) (1976, as amended), in that she violated a federal, state, or local law involving alcohol or drugs or committed an act involving a crime of moral turpitude, as evidenced by her testing positive for amphetamines and methamphetamines.
- B. Respondent has violated § 40-1-110(f) (1976, as amended), in that she has committed a dishonorable, unethical, or unprofessional act that is likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public, as evidenced by her illegal use of controlled substances.

#### V.

**PURSUANT** to S.C. Code Ann. § 40-33-110 (1976, as amended), the Board has the authority to order the revocation or suspension of a license to practice nursing, publicly or privately reprimand the licensee, or take other reasonable action short of revocation or suspension, such as requiring the licensee to undertake additional professional training subject to the direction and supervision of the Board, or imposing restraints upon the practice of the licensee as circumstances warrant until the licensee demonstrates to the Board adequate professional competence. Additionally, the Board may require the licensee to pay a civil penalty of up to two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) to the Board for each violation, up to a total of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00).

**THEREFORE**, the Board will consider these allegations and make such disposition as may be appropriate. You may respond and present evidence and argument on all issues involved. You may appear alone or with legal counsel.

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BY:

JOCELYN T. ANDINO Assistant General Counsel S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation Post Office Box 11329 Columbia, South Carolina 29211-1329

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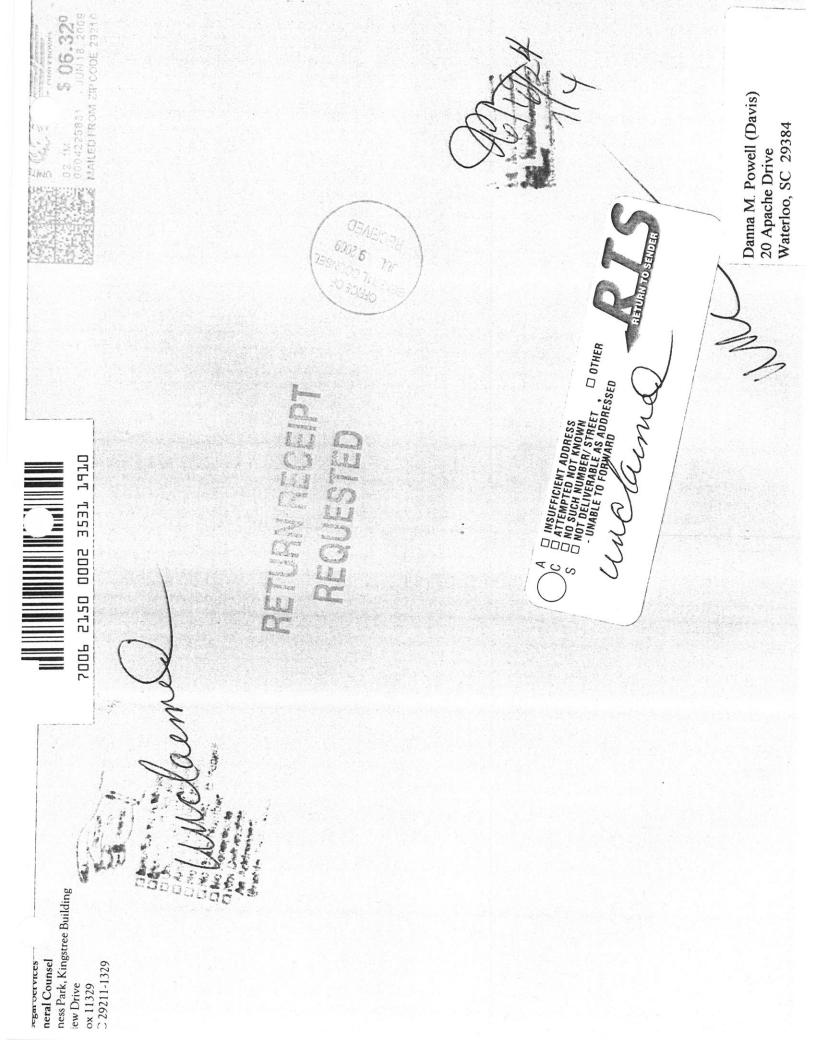
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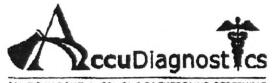
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SAME DAY DRUG, ALCOHOL & BACKGROUND SCREENING ATTENTION:

# Charida McAbee

Accudlagnostics-Greenville 355 Woodruff Rd Greenville, SC 29607 Home Base: Random (RANDOM) Participant: Danna Davis Participant ID: 59 SSN: 250-21-0608

Collection Site:

# Results of Controlled Substance Test

Laboratory: Laboratory Corporation Of America

Record Status: Positive Test Type: Medical Review Officer Fee Collection Date/Time: 08/06/2008 Batch ID: 20080618 Specimen ID:

> Sample Type: Urine Test Panel SAMHSA

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6/18/2008

Verification Date

Results for Danna Davis, Participant (D: 59 (SSN: 250-21-0608)

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# IN THE MATTER OF:

DANNA M. POWELL (DAVIS), R.N. License # 65521

ORDER OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION

OGC # 09-0026 OIE # 2008-310

Respondent.

WHEREAS, the Office of General Counsel has provided probable cause warranting an Order of the Board to temporarily suspend Respondent from practice, in accordance with the S.C. Nurse Practice Act (Section 40-33-5, et seq.) of the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina, as amended.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT, in accordance with § 40-33-110 of the South Carolina Code of Laws Ann. (1976 as amended), Respondent's license to practice nursing in this State is hereby temporatily suspended, effective immediately, until further Order of the Board.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

#### STATE BOARD OF NURSING

<u>11-05-08</u> Date

BY

BRENDA YATES MARTIN, RNC, MN, CNAA President of the Board



In the	Matter of:		
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- 1. That he/she is an investigator with the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation, Office of Investigations and Enforcement.
- 2. That he/she hereby certifies that on  $\frac{N_{O}N_{e}}{20}$ , 2008, at  $\frac{134}{134}$  has am/pm, he/she served the Order of Temporary Suspension in the above-captioned matter by hand delivery to the following individual at his/her last known address:

Danna M. Powell (Davis) 20 Apache Drive Waterloo SC 29384

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION

Investigator

LLR - Office of Investigations and Enforcement Post Office Box 11329 Columbia, SC 29211-1329 (803) 896-4470

SWORN to before me this

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Notary Public for South Carolina My Commission expires: <u>9-//-,20/6</u>

# PARI ICIPANT MONITORING AGREEMENT

1. Danna Davis \_\_\_\_\_, have chosen to participate in the South Carolina Recovering Professional Program (RPP), a board approved program operating under a memorandum of agreement with the Board of Nursing RPP is established for South Carolina Health Practitioners whose practice may be impaired by substance abuse or dependency and is administered by the Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council (LRADAC). I acknowledge receipt of the RPP "Participant Handbook" which sets out the terms of participation in RPP. I understand that the RPP agrees to assist me only on these terms, and I agree to abide by them. I have had the opportunity to ask my RPP Recovery Specialist any questions I might have about the terms of participation in RPP. 1 understand that the terms of participation in RPP include the following and that these and the other terms of participation are explained in more detail in the RPP "Participant Handbook." Any exceptions or modifications to the terms of participation are addressed on an individual basis and must be approved in writing by the RPP Program Director. I further understand and agree that if my initial evaluation is negative, this Agreement may be modified or terminated by RPP.<sup>1</sup> I acknowledge receipt of applicable privacy practices.

#### **GENERAL CRITERIA**

Please initial each statement.

1. The length of the monitoring program addressing problems with substance abuse/dependency is a minimum of five (5) years. Relapse may result in change of original completion date.  $f_{1} = 2 + \frac{29}{3}$ 

2. I agree to be solely responsible for payment of all costs incurred in complying with this Agreement or requirements of the board, including ,but not limited to, the cost of evaluation, treatment, reporting, drug and other tests, and the RPP monthly participant fee, which will be determined by my work status.  $2 - 2cc_{-}66$ 

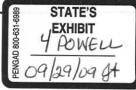
3. I agree to completely abstain from the personal use of mood-altering substances (drugs, chemicals, or other agents), including, but not limited to, alcohol, sedatives, stimulants, narcotics, marijuana, over-the-counter drugs, etc., except as prescribed by my personal or treating healthcare provider after consultation with RPP for a documented, legitimate medical purpose.<sup>2</sup> I further agree to request of my personal or treating healthcare provider that mood-altering substances not be prescribed to treat me unless there is no alternative treatment available. Copies of all prescription medications must be submitted to RPP. Prescriptions for long term continuing medications must be resubmitted/re-prescribed every 6 months. All documentation regarding any medical treatment must be reported to RPP within 24 hours. I agree not to use over-the-counter and prescription medications, including, but not limited

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<sup>1</sup> An evaluation is considered negative when the evaluation team reports no diagnosis of substance abuse or dependence and the RPP recommends modification or termination of participation requirements.

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<sup>2</sup> "Healthcare provider" means a licensed physician, physician assistant, advanced practice registered nurse, podiatrist, or dentist acting within their lawful scope of practice.



to, Nyquil, Benadryl, ver cough medicines and poppy sec, unless approved in advance by RPP.

4. I agree to participate in random witnessed drug screens administered by the drug testing service as directed by RPP as part of my monitoring requirements. I understand that it is my responsibility to be available at any time to provide a sample in the manner requested and to give that sample on the date notified, unless I have been excused in advance by RPP staff. I am responsible for all costs associated with drug screens. 42 - 24 - 4

5. I understand that I am responsible for all drugs that I take and that having such drugs prescribed for me by a licensed healthcare provider does not relieve me of that responsibility. If authorized under my license to practice, I agree to refrain from writing prescriptions for any mood-altering or potentially addicting drugs for myself or members of my family.  $\partial p = 2 - 2y - 29 = 0.000$ 

6. If I have voluntarily entered RPP and am anonymous to the board, I will remain anonymous to the board as long as I am compliant with RPP requirements. If I elect not to participate, withdraw, or am dismissed from RPP, I will be immediately reported to the staff of the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation for further action.

7. If required by RPP, I agree to undergo a complete medical, psychiatric, and substance abuse evaluation at an approved facility and at a time as designated by RPP. The time period of the evaluation will be determined by the facility staff and shall continue until such time as the facility staff deems appropriate in order for a satisfactory determination to be made as to my fitness to practice. During the evaluation, I agree to cooperate fully with the facility staff and submit to any and all mental and physical examinations of any kind as may be deemed appropriate by the facility staff. If treatment is recommended by the evaluation team, then I agree to promptly comply with that recommendation and attend a treatment facility approved by RPP for the recommended period of time. I understand that I am responsible for the cost of the evaluation/treatment, tests, and reports to RPP. If the diagnosis is negative this contract may be terminated or length of monitoring shortened by RPP.

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8. I agree that I may be required to refrain from practice during treatment. Prior to returning to work, I will have a RPP Return to Work Release signed by the RPP or my treatment provider. I agree to comply with any restrictions on practice or duty assignment which may include no access to mood-altering medication, no overtime or on call assignments, and where applicable, altering of shift work, or requiring supervision with no home health or agency work. Compact nurses additionally will be required not to practice in any other party-state without the prior written approval of the S.C. board and written authorization from the other party-state board

9. I agree to identify all healthcare providers associated with my healthcare to RPP and report all medications prescribed. I must identify a primary healthcare provider who is knowledgeable about my substance abuse or dependency and my participation in RPP. I will refrain from changing personal healthcare providers without prior consultation and approval of RPP.

My primary healthcare provider is <u>JT</u> <u>Tindegross</u>, Telephone<u>#\_SGU-USG</u>.<u>US</u>

I agree that RPP may contact any of my personal healthcare providers at such time as may be desired. The signing of this Agreement shall constitute and act as a release to any and all of my personal healthcare providers (or any other provider I see before or after signing this Agreement) to communicate fully with RPP regarding my recovery and compliance with this Agreement or requirements of the board.

10. I understand that the RPP monitors me on behalf of LLR and its professional licensing boards and does not provide treatment for my condition. I agree that the RPP is hereby authorized to communicate fully with and release any information concerning me to the staff of the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR) and any other institutions and individuals involved in my recovery and compliance with this Agreement or requirements of the board, and that information may be used in any administrative proceeding in which it may be relevant.

11. I understand that, if I am under a board order or agreement, the RPP will communicate with the LLR staff regarding my ongoing progress and compliance with this Agreement. I agree that, if I am under a board order or agreement, RPP staff may communicate any information about me and my progress in this program to LLR staff, the licensing board and its representatives and committees, federal and state regulatory authorities, including professional licensing boards in other states in which I am licensed or apply for licensure, and any other institutions and individuals involved in my recovery and compliance with this Agreement or requirements of the board.

12. I agree that any unauthorized use of a mood-altering substance is considered a relapse and will result in a re-evaluation followed by appropriate action as indicated by the level of relapse.  $2 \cdot 24 \cdot 7$   $2 \cdot 24 \cdot 7$ 

13. I agree to refrain immediately from practice upon receipt of a positive drug screen. I understand and agree that a confirmed drug screen of any mood-altering substance is considered conclusive evidence of the use of that substance.  $\frac{D^{A}}{2-2\ell c f} = \frac{D^{A}}{2k}$ 

14. I agree to participate in Peer Assistance activities and to sign a contract with my professional support group (DAAC, PAAC, PAPIN, SCRIPT), if provided. I will provide or have provided documentation to RPP of my attendance. I will submit or arrange for submission of reports from my professional support group. Frequency shall be determined by the RPP in consultation with the treatment provider and peer assistance organizations. The RPP may make adjustments to frequency as appropriate throughout the monitoring process. I agree that my peer assistance group leaders may communicate fully with RPP regarding my recovery and compliance with this Agreement or requirements of the board.

15. I agree to attend and participate in Self Help (12-step) group meetings and activities, as required by RPP. Frequency shall be determined by the RPP in consultation with the treatment provider. The RPP may make adjustments to meetings and activities and their frequency as appropriate throughout the monitoring

process. I agree to ain a sponsor and maintain an ongc relationship with him/her. I agree that my sponsor may communicate fully with RPP regarding my recovery and compliance with this Agreement or requirements of the board.

16. I agree to promptly notify RPP of any changes in employment, address, telephone numbers, practice, hospital privileges, professional status, or compliance with this Agreement. Correspondence and copies of reports and notices should be directed to:

Recovering Professional Program 300-A Outlet Pointe Blvd., Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210

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17. I agree to notify RPP before accepting or changing any employment, including work outside my profession. I further agree that my practice setting may be limited to a supervised setting consistent with applicable board policy.  $\underline{\underline{M}}$ 

18. I agree to obtain prior approval from RPP before applying for a license or registration from the US Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) or SC Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) or modifying a present DEA or DHEC license or registration.

19. I agree to sign consent forms and releases authorizing RPP to exchange information with others, including: healthcare providers, treatment facilities, employers and potential employers, peer assistance representatives and 12-step sponsors, licensing boards, and others involved in my recovery and compliance with this Agreement or requirements of the board, as deemed appropriate by RPP. 22497  $\mathcal{R}$ 

20. I understand that RPP is a South Carolina based program. I agree that if Leave South Carolina, my case will be transferred to another state as appropriate.  $2 - 2 \int \mathcal{A} = 2$ 

22. I agree to maintain contact with my RPP Recovery Specialist, peer assistance representative, 12-step sponsor, and treatment provider. I am further responsible for timely submission of all required reports, surveys, and forms to RPP. I agree that written communication may be conducted by e-mail or other electronic means acceptable to RPP. I further agree to be courteous and cooperative in all contacts with the RPP staff, peer assistance group members, 12-step group members, and evaluation/treatment staff members.  $M_{2} = 2 + 2 4 M_{1}$ 

23. I understand that participation in client surveys is required in order to assess the services approved or provided by RPP. I specifically agree to complete and submit any and all survey information as requested by RPP or its representatives.

24. I agree to refrain m instituting legal action of any kind making any claim against the Recovering Professional Program (RPP), Lexington/Richland Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council (LRADAC), the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, or its professional and occupational licensing boards, their officers, members, representatives, and employees, for slander, libel, defamation of character, malicious prosecution, abuse of process, infliction of emotional distress. harassment, invasion of privacy, false imprisonment, or for any other reason arising out of communications, activities, or conduct relating to or concerning in any way this Agreement or its provisions or the enforcement thereof. R 2.24.04 AND

25. I agree to waive any claim of confidentiality afforded by any local, state, or federal case, statutory, or common law to the extent necessary to carry out this Agreement or to protect the public health, safety, or welfare. By executing this Agreement, I specifically consent to execute and deliver to the program within ten (10) days of request, an authorization for the release to the program or its designees of any and all records, reports, or other information concerning myself by any and all persons or entities involved, notwithstanding any privilege provided by federal or state law. And 2.24.09 dia

26. I understand and agree that if I fail to comply with any of the terms of this Agreement or other requirements, RPP will report such non-compliance to the staff of the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, the licensing board, and other interested persons and entities as it may deem appropriate or necessary to protect the profession, my patients/clients, my health or well-being or that of my family 2 - 24-09 DR

27. I understand and agree that no changes in the terms of this Agreement or any RRP agreement or form may be made without prior written approval from RPP. 2-24.09

Participant signature

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300-A Outlet Pointe Boulevard, Suite 100, Columbia, South Carolina 29210

# Memorandum

To: LLR BON – Jocelyn Andino
From: RPP – Chris McCoy, LMSW, CACP
Date: 9/22/09
Board: Nursing
Re: Danna M. Powell (Davis), RN65521

Date of Enrollment:11/7/08, 2/24/09Referred by:LLR Investigative StaffVolunteer:NoDate of non-compliance:12/22/2008, 6/16/09Date of Discharge:12/22/08, 6/16/09Date of Re-enroll:-

<u>Time Line / Comments</u>: RPP reports that Danna Powell (Davis) enrolled with, and was discharge by, RPP twice for noncompliance.

Ms. Powell Davis first enrolled on 11/7/08 and was referred to Cornerstone for an alcohol & drug evaluation as well as to AccuDiagnostics for a hair test. She was discharged on 12/22/08 for non-compliance for failure to obtain the evaluation and hair test as requested. At that time, her license was temporarily suspended.

She later re-enrolled with RPP on 2/24/09 and obtained her evaluation from Cornerstone, but exhibited a pattern of not responding to communication from RPP and also missing numerous treatment sessions. As a result, she was discharged again on 6/16/09. She has made no further contact with RPP.

Respectfully submitted,

Chan White

Chris McCoy, LMSW, CACP

300-A Outlet Pointe Blvd. Suite 100 Columbia, S.C 29210

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fax (803) 896-5710

24-hour toll-free emergency line 1-877-349-2094 www.scrpp.org



IN THE MATTER OF:

LINDA IRENE PRATER, L.P.N. License No.13000

# <u>NOTICE OF</u> FINAL ORDER HEARING

OIE # 2007-477

Respondent.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the State Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, will consider the <u>Report of its Disciplinary Panel</u> in the above matter. YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO APPEAR on <u>March 25, 2010</u>, at 1:00 p.m. in Room 108, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina. The Panel's Report, together with the transcript of the testimony taken and the exhibits in evidence before the Panel, has been filed with the Administrator of the Board.

FURTHER, the Board will consider the Report for the purpose of determining its action thereon. The Board can accept the Report in its entirety, modify the findings in the report, or make a new determination based on the information provided at the hearing. The Respondent and/or her counsel shall have the right to appear before the Board at said hearing and to submit briefs and be heard in oral argument in opposition to or in support of the recommendations of the Panel.

BY:

JOCELYN T. ANDINO Assistant General Counsel LLR - Office of General Counsel Post Office Box 11329 Columbia, SC 29211-1329 (803) 896-4581

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\*Hearing times are subject to change

# SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF NURSING (Board)

In the Matter of: Linda Irene Prater, L.P.N., License No.13000, Licensee.

# DISCIPLINARY PANEL REPORT

OIE No. 2007-477

This matter came before the Board's Disciplinary Panel of Nursing (the Panel) for hearing on September 15, 2009. A quorum of Panel members was present. The Notice and Complaint and Notice of Hearing were served on the Respondent on or about June 9, 2009, via certified mail and regular mail. The Notice of Hearing and Complaint were returned as unclaimed to sender, the State. The Panel found that the State was diligent in attempting service and decided to proceed with the hearing.

The hearing was held pursuant to \$1-23-310, \$40-33-10 et seq., and \$40-33-110 et seq. of the South Carolina Code of Laws Ann. (1976, as amended) to determine whether sanctions should be imposed. The Respondent was not present and was not represented by counsel. Jocelyn T Andino, Assistant General Counsel, represented the State.

The Respondent was charged with a violation of \$40-33-110(A)(3) of the South Carolina Code of Laws Ann. (1976, as amended).

# FINDINGS OF FACT

Based upon the preponderance of the evidence on the whole record, the Panel finds the facts of the case to be as follows:

1. The Respondent is a Licensed Practical Nurse duly licensed to practice in South Carolina, and was so licensed at all times relevant to the issues asserted in this case and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Panel.

2. The Program Coordinator for the Wilson 1 (Medically Fragile) CTH II in Blythewood, managed by Fairfield County Disabilities & Special Needs Board, received a complaint from a nurse that the Respondent did not replace a broken Foley Catheter. The Program Coordinator never spoke to the Respondent.

3. The Program Coordinator filed a critical incident report with the South Carolina Department of Special Needs and was subsequently instructed to file a complaint with the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (LLR).

4. The patient was not in a life-threatening situation or in critical danger at the time the broken catheter was discovered.

5. There are no policies or procedures in place for the replacement of equipment such as catheters. The Wilson I (Medically Fragile) CTH II does not provide classes or orientations. The Respondent is still employed with Statewide Nursing Solutions.

6. Should a finding of fact constitute a conclusion of law, or vice versa, it is adopted as such and directed that it be treated accordingly.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based upon careful consideration of the facts in this matter, the Panel finds and concludes as a matter of law that:

1. The Panel has jurisdiction in this matter and, upon finding that a licensee has violated any of the provisions of § 40-33-110 et seq. the South Carolina Code of Laws Ann. (1976. as amended), has the authority to cancel, fine, suspend, revoke, issue a public reprimand or private reprimand, or restrict, including probation or other reasonable action, such as requiring additional education and training, the authorization to practice of a person who has engaged in misconduct.

2. The Respondent did not violate \$40-33-110 (A)(3). There are no policies or procedures regarding replacing equipment. There is no willful or repeated conduct that by professional or ethical standards would render the Respondent incompetent to perform the duties or responsibilities of a nurse.

3. The sanction(s) imposed is designed not to punish the Respondent, but to protect the life. health, and welfare of the public at large.

#### **RECOMMENDATION (S)**

The Panel, based upon the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as indicated above, recommends:

1. That the matter be dismissed.

SOUTH CAROLINA

DISCIPLINARY PANEL OF NURSING

BY: <u>Pamela & cogleon</u> Pamela Scaglione Panel Chairperson

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# STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

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Given before Jennifer S. Angooraj, Professional Verbatim Court Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of South Carolina, commencing at the hour of 12:35 p.m. on Tuesday, September 15, 2009, at the offices of the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina.

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2	MS. SCAGLIONE: This is a hearing of the South
3	Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing,
4	Licensing and Regulation Board of Nursing
5	versus Linda Irene Prater being held in
6	Columbia, South Carolina this 15th day of
7	September 2009. The Complaint and Notice of
8	Hearing was served by certified mail and
9	returned unclaimed on August 3rd, 2009. All
10	of the documents are in the Board's file and
11	made a part of the record. My name is Pamela
12	Scaglione and I am the designated chairperson
13	for this hearing. The other member (sic) of
14	the Nursing Board Panel hearing on this case
15	is Carole Siegfried and Stephanie Burgess.
16	The attorney advising the Board is Gwendolyn
17	Green. The State is represented by Jocelyn
18	Andino, legal counsel for the South Carolina
19	Department of Labor, Licensing, and
20	Regulation. This hearing will be conducted as
21	informally as is, as is compatible with an
22	equitable presentation of both sides of the
23	case and in compliance with the provisions of
24	the South Carolina Administrative Procedures
25	Act and the Nursing Board Rules and
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1 The State alleges that on November 6th, 2007, 2 while Ms. Prater was employed at Wilson I 3 Medically Fragile CTH II in Blythewood, she 4 failed to replace a broken Foley Catheter on a patient or a resident M.W. Ms. Prater worked 5 6 the 12 a.m., or the 12-midnight to eight a.m. 7 shift and was aware that the Foley Catheter needed to be replaced. The catheter was not 8 9 replaced until approximately ten a.m. on 10 November 6th. In addition, during Ms. Prater's entire shift on November 6th, she 11 12 failed to make any entries in the nursing 13 notes for patient M.W. And before the State 14 calls its first witness, I'd like to go ahead 15 and make a part of the record the Notice of Hearing, which indicates that the State will 16 17 proceed in the Respondent's absence if she 18 does not appear, as well as the Notice; the 19 Formal Complaint; Certificate of Service, 20 which will show that we actually went beyond 21 our obligation to just send the Notice to the 22 last address that she has listed on our data 23 We actually researched and found system. 24 another address which we sent to her in July. One was returned as unable to forward. 25 One

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1	was returned as unclaimed and we re-sent it
2	again one last time at the very beginning of
3	August, and I believe that's the one that came
4	back unclaimed. And the State submits that it
5	has met its requirement of proper service for
6	this Respondent. And if there are no
7	objections, the State would proceed at this
8	time.
9	MS. GREEN: Excuse me. Madam Chairman, would you
10	go into executive session, please?
11	MS. SCAGLIONE: Sure. Excuse us, we need to go
12	into executive session.
13	MS. ANDINO: Okay.
14	(Executive session from 12:40 p.m. to 12:48 p.m.)
15	MS. SCAGLIONE: Ms. Andino, do you have any
16	documentation from Ms. Prater to put into
17	evidence today?
18	MS. ANDINO: From Ms. Prater?
19	MS. SCAGLIONE: Right. Any, any of her
20	documentation?
21	MS. ANDINO : No. The, the Board, OGC, and the
22	investigator, we've never been able to make
23	contact with Ms. Prater.
24	MS. SCAGLIONE: You mean documentation from the,
25	from the shift that she worked as far as

Page 8 1 nursing notes go? Nursing note documentation? MS. ANDINO: We have time sheets that she worked on 2 3 that day. MS. SCAGLIONE: No actual documentation like we 4 5 had, nursing note documentation? 6 MS. ANDINO: No. The State's allegation is that 7 she didn't make any nursing notes on her shift. So no, we wouldn't have any. 8 9 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. We have a preliminary 10 recommendation. We don't find any violation of number three, but we do have a violation of 11 12 failure to supply change of address to the 13 State Board and failure to document. And we'd 14 like to fine her \$500 and give her an 15 indefinite suspension which she must petition 16 and appear before the Board. 17 MS. ANDINO: If that's the Panel's recommendation. 18 If that's the Panel's recommendation then the 19 State doesn't have an objection to that. So 20 you're waiving the, the requirement for the 21 hearing? 22 MS. SIEGFRIED: Yes. 23 MS. SCAGLIONE: Yes. 24 MS. ANDINO: Okay. 25 MS. SCAGLIONE: She's not here.

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1	MS.	SIEGFRIED: We've heard it all.
2	MS.	ANDINO: Yes, you have. Yes, you have.
3	MS.	SIEGFRIED: And we've seen it all.
4	MS.	MORRIS: When, when y'all say indefinite
5		suspension
6	MS.	SCAGLIONE: Her license is suspended up until
7		the time she actually makes an appearance
8		before the Board.
9	MS.	MORRIS: In, in regards to this particular
10		situation?
11	MS.	SCAGLIONE: Correct. Yes.
12	MS.	MORRIS: Okay. All right.
13	MS.	BURGESS: Correct. And she'll have to come
14		before the Board and state her case.
15	MS.	GREEN: But the fine is still in place.
16	MS.	MORRIS: Okay.
17	MS.	GREEN: She still has to pay the fine.
18	MS.	MORRIS: Okay.
19	MS.	ANDINO: Can I just ask another followup and
20		maybe from Gwen? As far as the, will the
21		findings of facts be the allegations? The
22		State's allegations?
23	MS.	GREEN: What I would do as far as drafting the
24		order, I, the most that I would put in
25		findings of fact is similar to the prior cases

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1	that the policies and procedures but I
2	don't even know if I'd put that in. What I
3	basically was going to do is put in that the,
4	the fact that the State was so diligent in
5	trying to certify, trying to send her notice
б	of this hearing. And first by what certified
7	mail and it was returned unclaimed. And then
8	returned you sent, you mailed again and
9	then it was returned as address unknown.
10	Those were the basics. And then I would put
11	that there were no violations of, of, of
12	number three, you know, no violations
13	MS. ANDINO: So you wouldn't address the, the issue
14	as far as the, the incident at the home?
15	MS. GREEN: Actually, what I would do is she,
16	she must appear and petition before the Board
17	for interview and statement to, to, to tell
18	the Board why she did not do
19	MS. SCAGLIONE: Why she didn't document.
20	MS. GREEN: what she did. And so she'd have to
21	petition before the Board to do that.
22	MS. SIEGFRIED: To explain herself.
23	MS. GREEN: But as far as this particular case here
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25	MS. SCAGLIONE: With the Foley Catheter being

1 replaced. MS. GREEN: It would, it would be the same. 2 3 Because it would've been if had she appeared 4 and just did the same thing as the other lady 5 did, it would've been a dismissal altogether. 6 MS. ANDINO: What about the second allegation where 7 she failed to do any nursing notes throughout the entire shift? 8 9 MS. SCAGLIONE: That's why she's getting ---10 MS. GREEN: That's what I'm saying. 11 MS. MORRIS: That's why you're giving her the \$500 fine? 12 That's why she's getting the fine. 13 MS. GREEN: 14 MS. ANDINO: Oh, I'm sorry. Okay. 15 MS. SCAGLIONE: That's why we're suspending her license. 16 17 MS. BURGESS: That's what we found is that she did 18 not document. 19 MS. ANDINO: Oh, I'm sorry. 20 MS. BURGESS: She did not notify the Board of any 21 change of address that's required of the 22 statute. 23 MS. SCAGLIONE: Uh-huh. Right. It has nothing to 24 do with that Foley Catheter. 25 MS. ANDINO: Okay.

Page 12 1 MS. SCAGLIONE: Not replacing it. 2 MS. ANDINO: Okay. I see what you're saying. 3 Okay. 4 MS. BURGESS: So, we, we agree that she was majorly 5 in fault with that. 6 MS. SIEGFRIED: Right. 7 MS. GREEN: So they, they were going to do 250 and then they gave her 500 to make sure. 8 9 MS. ANDINO: Okay. 10 MS. BURGESS: All right. Sounds good. 11 MS. ANDINO: Sounds good. 12 MS. BURGESS: Thank you so much. 13 MS. ANDINO: Thank you. 14 It was nice to meet you. MS. MORRIS: 15 MS. BURGESS: Nice meeting you. 16 (Whereupon, at 12:52 p.m., the 17 proceeding in the above-entitled 18 matter was concluded.) 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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# SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION BEFORE THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF:

DARLEEN WOLF, L.P.N. License No. LPN.28694

## NOTICE OF FINAL ORDER HEARING

OIE # 2007-475

Respondent.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the State Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, will consider the <u>Report of its Disciplinary Panel</u> in the above matter. YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO APPEAR on <u>March 25, 2010</u>, at 1:00 p.m.\* in Room 108, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina. The Panel's Report, together with the transcript of the testimony taken and the exhibits in evidence before the Panel, has been filed with the Administrator of the Board.

FURTHER, the Board will consider the Report for the purpose of determining its action thereon. The Board can accept the Report in its entirety, modify the findings in the report, or make a new determination based on the information provided at the hearing. The Respondent and/or her counsel shall have the right to appear before the Board at said hearing and to submit briefs and be heard in oral argument in opposition to or in support of the recommendations of the Panel.

BY:

JOCELYN T. ANDINO Assistant General Counsel LLR - Office of General Counsel Post Office Box 11329 Columbia, SC 29211-1329 (803) 896-4581

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# SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF NURSING (Board)

In the Matter of: Darleen Wolf, L.P.N., License No. 28694, Licensee.

### DISCIPLINARY PANEL REPORT

OIE No. 2007-475

This matter came before the Board's Disciplinary Panel of Nursing (the Panel) for hearing on September 15, 2009. A quorum of Panel members was present. The Notice and Complaint and Notice of Hearing were served on the Respondent on or about June 11, 2009 via certified mail and regular mail.

The hearing was held pursuant to §1-23-310, §40-33-10 *et seq.*, and §40-33-110 *et seq.* of the South Carolina Code of Laws Ann. (1976, as amended) to determine whether sanctions should be imposed. The Respondent appeared and waived her right to have counsel present. Jocelyn T Andino, Assistant General Counsel, represented the State.

The Respondent was charged with a violation of 40-33-110(A)(3) of the South Carolina Code of Laws Ann. (1976, as amended).

# **FINDINGS OF FACT**

Based upon the preponderance of the evidence on the whole record, the Panel finds the facts of the case to be as follows:

1. The Respondent is a Licensed Practical Nurse duly licensed to practice in South Carolina, and was so licensed at all times relevant to the issues asserted in this case and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Panel.

2. The Program Coordinator for the Wilson I (Medically Fragile) CTH II in Blythewood, managed by Fairfield County Disabilities & Special Needs Board, received a complaint from a nurse that the Respondent did not replace a broken Foley Catheter. The Program Coordinator never spoke to the Respondent.

3. The Program Coordinator testified that she filed a critical incident report with the South Carolina Department of Special Needs on or about November 11, 2007 and was subsequently

instructed to file a complaint with the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (LLR).

4. The Respondent testified that that the patient was not in a life-threatening situation or in critical danger at the time she discovered the broken catheter, therefore she did not call an ambulance. She documented the discovery in her notes. The Respondent and another nurse searched for a replacement catheter in the supply cabinets including the ones located in the garage. When another catheter could not be found, the Respondent offered to take the patient to the hospital to get another catheter, but the lift to the van was broken. The Respondent further testified that she offered to go the hospital. The Respondent's notes on November 5, 2007, show that another catheter would arrive on the next day, "per hospice".

5. Another Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) at Wilson I (Medically Fragile) CTH II testified that she put in new catheter on November 6, 2007. The LPN testified that she did *not* (*emphasis added*) replace one and had no recollection where she got the new catheter. The LPN also testified that she had no knowledge of policies or procedures in place for the replacement of equipment or for emergencies.

6. The Program Coordinator testified that there are no policies or procedures in place for the replacement of equipment such as catheters. The Program Coordinator stated that she had no knowledge that the Respondent ever received any booklet or pamphlet regarding emergencies for the replacement of equipment.

7. The Respondent's supervisor for Statewide Nursing Solutions, testified that she offered to attend any classes or orientation regarding polices and procedures at Wilson I (Medically Fragile) CTH II. The Manager was told that Wilson I (Medically Fragile) CTH II did not provide classes or orientations. The Respondent is still employed with Statewide Nursing Solutions.

8. Should a finding of fact constitute a conclusion of law, or *vice versa*, it is adopted as such and directed that it be treated accordingly.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based upon careful consideration of the facts in this matter, the Panel finds and concludes as a matter of law that:

1. The Panel has jurisdiction in this matter and, upon finding that a licensee has violated any of the provisions of § 40-33-110 et seq. the South Carolina Code of Laws Ann. (1976, as amended), has the authority to cancel, fine, suspend, revoke, issue a public reprimand or private reprimand, or restrict, including probation or other reasonable action, such as requiring additional education and training, the authorization to practice of a person who has engaged in misconduct.

2. The Respondent did not violate 40-33-110 (A)(3). There are no policies or procedures regarding replacing equipment. There is no willful or repeated conduct that by professional or ethical standards would render the Respondent incompetent to perform the duties or responsibilities of a nurse.

3. The sanction(s) imposed is designed not to punish the Respondent, but to protect the life, health, and welfare of the public at large.

### **RECOMMENDATION (S)**

The Panel, based upon the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as indicated above, recommends:

1. That the matter be dismissed.

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#### DISCIPLINARY PANEL OF NURSING

BY: <u>fomela Josephine</u> Pamela Scaglione Panel Chairperson

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In the Matter of:

DARLEEN WOLF, L.P.N. License No. 28694

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14 OPENING REMARKS FOR THE STATE BY

15 MS. ANDINO: Thank you. This is the matter of Darleen Wolf a licensed practical nurse with 16 17 license number 28694. This is OIE case number 18 2007-475. We're here today because the Board 19 received a complaint and investigated the 20 matter and has information to believe that Ms. Wolf's conduct has violated the Nurse Practice 21 22 Act, specifically Section 40-33-110 Section 23 (A)(3) of the Nurse Practice Act. 24 Specifically, the State alleges that on or 25 about November 5th, 2007, while Ms. Wolf was

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1	employed at Wilson I Medically Fragile CTH II
2	in Blythewood, South Carolina, she failed to
3	replace a broken Foley Catheter on patient
4	with the initials M.W. She worked the four
5	p.m. to 12-midnight shift and was informed of
6	the location of replacement but failed to
7	retrieve or replace the Foley Catheter. The
8	catheter was not replaced until approximately
9	ten a.m. on November 6th. To substantiate
10	these allegations, the State will provide
11	testimony from witnesses from the facility who
12	will attest that there was a replacement
13	catheter located at the facility and that Ms.
14	Wolf was made aware of it.
15	MS. SCAGLIONE: Do you have an opening statement
16	Ms. Wolf?
17	OPENING REMARKS BY THE RESPONDENT
18	MS. WOLF: Yes, ma'am. When I worked that day I
19	was not informed of a replacement catheter
20	being anywhere at the site. I went out to the
21	cabinet, there's a cabinet that each resident
22	has.
23	MS. GREEN: Excuse me. Madam Chairperson?
24	MS. WOLF: I'm sorry?
25	MS. GREEN: That's testimony. You're going to have
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1 \_ \_ \_ 2 MS. WOLF: Oh, I'm sorry. 3 MS. GREEN: --- you're going to have your 4 opportunity to go ---5 MS. WOLF: Oh, yes, ma'am. 6 MS. GREEN: --- ahead and present your side of the 7 story. But right now what, what Madam Chairperson is asking you is to just give you 8 9 a summary of, you know, do you have anything 10 as far as the Complaint, the actual Complaint. 11 Just a summary but not as far as testimony. 12 MS. WOLF: Yes, ma'am. I -- the Complaint is 13 incorrect. 14 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. 15 MS. ANDINO: Okay. Before we call our first 16 witness, I'd like to just go ahead and make a 17 part of the record the Waiver of Attorney, 18 which Ms. Wolf signed this morning informing 19 her of her rights to an attorney. I believe 20 you received a copy of that. And as the 21 State's Exhibit Number 2, just a copy of the 22 Notice of Hearing, the Formal Complaint which 23 also shows appropriate service for this 24 hearing today. 25 (Whereupon, the Waiver of Attorney,

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1	consisting of 1 page, and the Notice of
2	Hearing; the Notice; the Formal
3	Complaint; and the Certificate of
4	Service, consisting of 6 pages, are
5	marked as the State's Exhibit Numbers 1
6	and 2 respectively for identification).
7	MS. GREEN: The service was 6/11, was it not?
8	MS. ANDINO: Yes. June 11th, 2009.
9	MS. GREEN: That's what I thought.
10	MS. ANDINO: And at this time the State calls its
11	first witness, Investigator Gwyn Morris.
12	MS. GREEN: Is that Gwyn like in G-W-E-N or G-W-Y-
13	N?
14	MS. MORRIS: Y-N.
15	Whereupon,
16	Jeannie Gwyn Morris is duly sworn and cautioned to
17	speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing
18	but the truth.
19	EXAMINATION OF MS. MORRIS BY MS. ANDINO:
20	Q. Ms. Morris, please state your full name for the
21	record.
22	A. Jeannie Gwyn Morris.
23	Q. And where are you employed?
24	A. South Carolina Department of LLR.
25	Q. And what are your duties here at LLR?
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1	Α.	I'm an investigator with, for the Nursing Board.
2	Q.	And how long have you been an investigator?
3	A.	Well, I've been with the Department of Labor since
4		I've been there almost 18 years. The first 13,
5		I was an investigator with the Wages and Child
6		Labor Division. Then I went to the Fire Marshall's
7		Office and was a Deputy Fire Marshall for three
8		years. And now I'm back over here at the Nursing
9		Board and I've been here over a year now.
10	Q.	And in that past year, about how many cases would
11		you say you've, you've investigated?
12	A.	The past year about 50 to 55 in the Nursing Board.
13		Over 2,500 in the other divisions.
14	Q.	And did you investigate a matter involving Ms.
15		Darleen Wolf?
16	A.	I did.
17	Q.	And was this investigation initiated pursuant to a
18		Complaint?
19	A.	It was.
20	Q.	And can you just briefly state the reasoning in
21		that Complaint?
22	Α.	Yes, ma'am. We received a Complaint that the,
23		that, that Ms. Wolf had not replaced a Foley
24		Catheter in the patient.
25	Q.	Okay. And during the course of your investigation,

Page 10 1 what, what sort of information did you obtain 2 relating to, to this Complaint and to this matter? 3 Α. Okay. We received the Complaint, received the 4 nurses notes, witness statements. 5 Ο. Did you conduct any interviews? Yes, I did. 6 Α. 7 And whom did you interview? Ο. Becky Swearingen, she's the coordinator for the 8 Α. 9 Fairfield County Disabilities and Special Needs 10 Board. And Pearline Livingston, who was a direct 11 care person at the facilities. And then I spoke 12 with Mary Mills, who's a nurse. And I did that 13 interview by phone. 14 So the first two interviews were in person? 0. 15 Α. That's correct. 16 Okay. Let me just show you what's going to be Ο. 17 State's Exhibit Number 3. 18 (Whereupon, Physician Order Form and 19 Nursing Notes, consisting of 15 pages, is 20 marked as the State's Exhibit Number 3 21 for identification.) 22 MS. ANDINO: Let me know if you have an objection 23 to that. 24 MS. GREEN: While, while, while she's looking, you 25 said you conducted interviews with who?

Page 11 1 Α. Becky Swearingen, Swearingen. It's S-W-E-A-R-I-N-2 G-E-N. 3 MS. GREEN: She was the? 4 Α. The program coordinator. 5 MS. ANDINO: No objections? It's okay? 6 Α. And did you get Pearline Livingston? 7 MS. GREEN: Pearline? 8 Α. Yes, ma'am. 9 MS. GREEN: And she was the? 10 Direct care staff. Α. MS. GREEN: Director staff? 11 12 Her position is titled direct care staff. Α. The record should reflect that there's 13 MS. ANDINO: 14 no objection to enter Exhibit 3. 15 Q. Ms. Morris, can you tell me if those are the 16 records that you reviewed during your 17 investigation? 18 Α. Yes, they are. 19 And did you obtain those records through a Ο. 20 subpoena? 21 Yes, I did. Α. And do those records reflect the time frame for 22 Ο. 23 which you were investigating? 24 They do. Α. 25 To the best of your recollection, this being Q.

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1		State's Exhibit Number 3, is that the extent of
2		information you obtained with regards to, to the
3		patient, the resident's records?
4	A.	Yes.
5	Q.	Okay. Did you ever have an opportunity to contact
6		Ms. Wolf regarding this matter?
7	A.	Yes, ma'am. I did.
8	Q.	By what means?
9	A.	By telephone and I also sent her a letter.
10	Q.	Okay. And were you able to, to speak with her
11		personally?
12	A.	She responded to my letter.
13	Q.	Okay. And when you whenever you, you spoke with
14		Ms. Wolf, was that in person or through the phone?
15	A.	It was through the phone.
16	Q.	Okay. And at that time, did she admit to, to any
17		wrongdoing?
18	A.	No, she didn't. She just stated there was no Foley
19		Catheter available.
20	Q.	Okay. Did you request a written statement from Ms.
21		Wolf
22	A.	I did.
23	Q.	regarding this incident? And did you receive -
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25	A.	No.
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Page 13 1 Ο. --- the statement from her? 2 Α. I did not. 3 After that phone call, did you, did you have an Ο. 4 opportunity to speak with Ms. Wolf again regarding this incident? 5 6 No. Α. 7 So just that one time you guys spoke? 0. Uh-huh. 8 Α. 9 Q. Okay. I don't have any further questions. Please 10 answer any questions Ms. Wolf may have or the 11 Panel. 12 MS. WOLF: I don't have any questions. 13 MS. ANDINO: Okay. 14 EXAMINATION OF MS. MORRIS BY THE BOARD: 15 MS. SIEGFRIED: If you, if you have an order to do something like change a Foley and the 16 17 equipment's not there, is there not some 18 resource to -- were you aware of the order to 19 change the Foley? 20 MS. ANDINO: Well, I think -- excuse me. The 21 question would be directed to the witness. 22 MS. SIEGFRIED: Oh, I'm so sorry. I'm sorry. 23 Never mind. 24 MS. MORRIS: Do you have anything for me? 25 MS. BURGESS: I have some, Madam Chair. Madam

Page 14 1 Chair? 2 MS. SCAGLIONE: Yes. 3 MS. BURGESS: I have some questions if that's okay. 4 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. Yes, go ahead. 5 MS. BURGESS: Did Ms. Wolf tell you that she knew 6 that the Foley Catheter was broken? 7 Α. To my recollection, I cannot remember. Her notes do indicate that she wrote it up that it was 8 9 broken. 10 MS. BURGESS: Okay. A fractured Foley on her shift 11 \_ \_ \_ 12 Α. Yeah. MS. BURGESS: --- so she did indicate that. 13 And 14 she said that, that she knew that. Did she 15 also state that she knew there was no catheter 16 to replace? 17 She, she stated that there was not a catheter, Α. 18 catheter available at the facility at that time. MS. BURGESS: And what were the -- did she talk to 19 20 you about how they make those arrangements? 21 No, ma'am. Α. 22 MS. BURGESS: Okay. Did you ask her? 23 No. Α. 24 MS. BURGESS: And did she talk to you about the 25 reason for the catheter?

Page 15 1 Α. No. 2 MS. BURGESS: Okay. Thank you. 3 MS. ANDINO: Okay. The State now calls its second 4 witness, Ms. Rebecca Swearingen. 5 Whereupon, 6 Rebecca P. Swearingen is duly sworn and cautioned 7 to speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. 8 9 EXAMINATION OF MS. SWEARINGEN BY MS. ANDINO: 10 Please state your full name for the record. Ο. 11 Α. It's Rebecca P. Swearingen. Can you spell your last name just for the record? 12 Ο. S-W-E-A-R-I-N-G-E-N. 13 Α. 14 Okay. And Ms. Swearingen, where are you currently Q. 15 employed? The Fairfield County Disabilities and Special Needs 16 Α. 17 Board. 18 Q. And what are your duties there? 19 I'm the program coordinator, and I'm the --Α. 20 responsible for 12 Community Training Home IIs and 21 then the day program. 22 0. And how long have you been the program coordinator? 23 Α. Wait a minute. Probably since, I want to say March 24 of 2002. 25 Okay. So ---Q.

Page 16 1 Α. I think. I, I, I don't know. I think that's right 2 though. Somewhere in there. 3 Ο. Okay. 4 Α. I've worked for the Board 22 years. 5 How were you made aware of, of the incident Q. 6 relating to Ms. Darleen Wolf back in November of 7 2007? All right. Anytime anything of significance occurs 8 Α. 9 where it affects anyone living in one of our homes -- and Wilson I and II are considered to be 10 11 medically fragile CTH IIs. The people residing in 12 Wilson I and Wilson II not only have mental retardation, but they also have extending medical 13 14 conditions that require 24-hour-a-day skilled 15 nursing care. And typical -- our typical procedures are for the -- if anything unusual 16 17 occurs on a shift, the nurse responsible is 18 supposed to notify the healthcare administrator or 19 myself if they can't get her, she's off and I'm on 20 call. So when Susan Chapman came into work, she 21 called me and notified me that there was a problem with Mable's catheter. 22 23 Okay. And just for these proceedings we're going Q. 24 to refer to the resident by her initials M.W. 25 Α. Okay. I'm sorry.

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1	Q.	That's okay. And after receiving that report,
2		what, what information did you obtain? What were
3		you made aware of?
4	Α.	That the Foley had the bulb in the Foley had
5		broken in the catheter and nobody, you know, hadn't
6		been, nothing had been done about it.
7	Q.	And when were you informed?
8	A.	That, that morning on I guess the 6th.
9	Q.	The morning of the 6th? Do you recall what shift
10		Ms. Wolf was working that day?
11	Α.	Okay. Ms. Wolf was working I four to 12. Four
12		p.m. to 12-midnight.
13	Q.	And that was?
14	Α.	On the 5th, I would
15	Q.	So four p.m. on November 5th
16	Α.	Correct.
17	Q.	to midnight that night? Okay. And is that
18		considered the second shift?
19	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
20	Q.	Okay. Was Ms. Wolf a contract nurse or was she a
21		direct employee?
22	A.	She was a contract nurse.
23	Q.	Okay. This incident, as you stated, occurred at
24		Wilson I Medically Fragile CTH II, correct?
25	A.	Correct, correct.

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1	Q.	And were you present at that facility on November
2		5th?
3	Α.	I, I don't think so. I'd have to honestly look at
4		the record to see if I was there during the day,
5		but I don't think so.
6	Q.	Do you usually go out to the facilities?
7	Α.	No. Not typically.
8	Q.	And where are you usually located?
9	Α.	I my office is located in, at 410 West
10		Washington in Winnsboro, South Carolina.
11	Q.	So it's a different office?
12	Α.	Uh-huh.
13	Q.	Okay.
14	Α.	It's a separate totally it's about 20, 20
15		minutes from Wilson.
16	Q.	And as the program coordinator, what actions did
17		you take once you found out or once you had
18		received this report from the facility?
19	Α.	Well, I had to file well, I did call the staff
20		that was working with at the time to get a
21		report from her. I do do that just so I can have
22		verification. In this particular case, I had to
23		file what we call a Critical Incident Report with
24		the South Carolina Department of Disabilities and
25		Special Needs. And that has to be timely filed.

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1		There are time constraints associated with these
2		reports, and so you, you have to have certain
3		information when you file the reports. For
4		example, nursing notes, any kind of information
5		that they collect on their shift we always send
6		those in.
7		MS. GREEN: I'm sorry. Excuse me. You said you
8		filed a Critical Incident Report with who?
9	A.	The South Carolina Department of Disabilities and
10		Special Needs.
11		MS. GREEN: Okay. Thank you.
12	A.	Uh-huh.
13	Q.	And when did you file that, that Critical Incident
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15	A.	I filed it that day.
16	Q.	And that day being?
17	A.	The 6th.
18	Q.	The 6th of November?
19	A.	Well yeah. Yes.
20	Q.	The 6th of November?
21	A.	Yeah.
22		MS. GREEN: 2007?
23	Q.	2007, yes. And you were, you were starting to, to
24		explain a little bit as to what, what a Critical
25		Incident Report. Can you elaborate a little bit as

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to what, what that is?

2 A Critical Incident Report is required by DDSN if Α. something unusual occurs with the consumer that we 3 provide services to that could affect their life 4 5 safety. It could, it could be a visit to the ER. 6 It could be -- a critical incident could be if, if 7 a vehicle was, one of our vehicles was involved in a, in a even a minor accident, a false alarm at one 8 9 of our residences and the fire department came. So 10 anytime EMS or the police or the fire department 11 respond, it's a critical. But then there are also 12 other situations where if it affects the life 13 safety of a consumer then we have to file a Critical Incident. 14

Q. Okay. And is there just one report that you filewith the State?

17 You file two reports. The first one is an Initial Α. 18 Critical Incident Report. That's giving them just 19 the basic facts of why you're filing, you know, why 20 you're reporting to them. The Final Critical 21 Incident Report has to be filed five days from the date the first one was filed. And during that 22 23 five-day period, you can be on a fact-finding 24 mission to try and determine exactly what happened, 25 how did it happen, and what can -- and part of the

Page 21 1 Final Critical Incident Report is they want to know 2 what can you do, do to prevent it from happening 3 So it's kind of like a quality assurance aqain. 4 section of the report. 5 Q. Okay. And does the, the State have the discretion 6 of either accepting or, or rejecting that part of 7 the report? They, they typically if they're, if there's what 8 Α. they call -- and they like to refer to it this way: 9 10 a red flag event, they can notify us either by e-11 mail or by telephone or by letter, by fax and give 12 us further instructions. In this case, with regards to ---13 Q. 14 In this case, we were instructed to file a report Α. 15 with the Nursing Board. 16 Ο. Okay. So they accepted your, your report? 17 Yes. But they called me and, and told me I Α. Yes. 18 need to call, I need to file a report with the 19 Nursing Board. 20 Q. Okay. And you previously stated that in, in doing 21 your report, you obtained resident records. Did 22 you have an opportunity to review those records for 23 this matter? 24 Yes, I did. Α. 25 Let me show you State's Exhibit 3. Q. Do you

Page 22 1 recognize these, this resident's records? 2 This is a Physician's Order Form. Α. 3 Ο. Just in, in -- as a whole. The record, is that 4 what ---5 Α. This is -- yes, ma'am. 6 Ο. --- you had an opportunity to review? 7 Α. Yes, uh-huh. Okay. If you can look into those records around 8 Ο. 9 page 7, the numbers are at the top in red. 10 Oh, okay. Α. 11 Page 7. Q. 12 MS. GREEN: Excuse me. Ms. Andino, did she have an 13 opportunity to review? 14 Yes, ma'am. Α. 15 MS. ANDINO: Yes. It was, it was State's Exhibit 3. We've already entered it. 16 17 Α. Okay. 18 MS. GREEN: She has Exhibit 3? 19 MS. ANDINO: Uh-huh. 20 Uh-huh. Α. 21 Will you refer to page 7? In the bottom, you'll Ο. 22 see there's an entry made on November 5th, 2007. 23 What is the time of, of that entry? 24 The time of the entry is 2330 hours. Α. 25 Okay. And can you read that entry, just what you Q.

1		can make out?
2	A.	Okay. It says comfort measures in place; Foley
3		Catheter output 275 ccs; cloudy, amber colored
4		and I'm not sure what the something to gravity
5		bag; catheter bulb noted to be broken; briefs on at
б		this time; wait replacement catheter arrives.
7	Q.	Okay. And can you identify whose, whose nursing
8		notes who made that note?
9	A.	It, it appears to be Darleen Wolf.
10	Q.	Okay. And based on Ms. Wolf's nursing notes from
11		that section that you just read out, did, did the
12		note reflect that she replaced the catheter?
13	Α.	It was replaced later that day, I think or when the
14		eight to four nurse came on. But not according to
15		these notes.
16	Q.	Not according to
17	Α.	Yeah. They were not it wasn't replaced on this
18		shift by this nurse that signed these notes.
19	Q.	Did you speak with Ms. Wolf
20	Α.	No, I did not.
21	Q.	about this incident?
22	Α.	No, I did not.
23	Q.	And what is your procedure when something like this
24		happens?
25	A.	When an event occurs where a service agency is

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1		contacted and they assign a nurse to work at our
2		facilities, we contact the company. We contact the
3		service agency nursing company that provided the
4		nurse and assigned them to work in our facility.
5	Q.	And that's what you did with this situation?
6	Α.	Yeah, yes. Uh-huh.
7	Q.	So you had no personal contact with Ms. Wolf? You
8		didn't have the opportunity to ask her any
9		questions about the incident?
10	Α.	No, huh-uh.
11	Q.	Okay. To your knowledge, did Ms. Wolf ever return
12		to work at the Disabilities
13	Α.	No, no.
14	Q.	Okay. And to your knowledge, did this resident
15		receive the replacement catheter?
16	Α.	Yes. I mean, by somebody else.
17	Q.	Okay. Do you have any other knowledge or any other
18		information that you can provide with regards to
19		this matter?
20	Α.	No, ma'am.
21	Q.	I don't have any further questions. Please answer
22		any questions Ms. Wolf or the Panel may have for
23		you.
24		MS. WOLF: I have no questions.
25	Α.	Okay.

1	EXAMINATI	ON OF MS. SWEARINGEN BY THE BOARD:
2		MS. SIEGFRIED: Do you have a procedure for
3		accessing equipment in the event that it's not
4		there?
5	Α.	The, the equipment well, it's up to the if
б		something's not, if something is not present, the
7		nurses are supposed to let us know. We have, I
8		mean, we have companies that we have contracts with
9		that provide it on a, a recurring schedule. I
10		mean, but if it's something in particular that, you
11		know, typically they don't put on a what do they
12		call it, a recycle fill? Then, you know, a phone
13		call the nurse either needs to fax it in or, or,
14		or call somebody and let them know.
15		MS. SIEGFRIED: And how, how, how quickly would you
16		get that if you called and asked for a piece
17		of equipment?
18	Α.	Oh, we can it well, I mean it something
19		like a Foley Catheter we can get within hours. I
20		mean, you know, it doesn't take very long to get
21		it.
22		MS. SIEGFRIED: And is there somebody available for
23		this fax receipt 24 hours a day?
24	A.	I'm, I'm sorry, I didn't hear you.
25		MS. SIEGFRIED: Is there someone available for this

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1		fax request 24 hours a day?
2		MS. SCAGLIONE: To receive the equipment?
3		MS. SIEGFRIED: To get the request for the, for the
4		equipment?
5	A.	My answer to that is probably no.
6		MS. SIEGFRIED: Is there a supervisor that
7	A.	There is a supervisor on, on call 24 hours a day.
8		It's either the healthcare administrator or it's
9		myself.
10		MS. SIEGFRIED: Is there anybody on site itself?
11	Α.	No.
12		MS. SIEGFRIED: Okay. Do you know
13	Α.	But I mean, I can I expand on your question? I
14		got, I get phone calls all time of the, of the
15		night. Day and night from Wilson I and II and the
16		other ten homes. I mean if somebody if there's
17		something going on, everybody has my agency cell
18		phone number. It's posted. Everybody knows it.
19		I've even had nurses call my personal home phone at
20		two and three o'clock in the morning.
21		MS. SIEGFRIED: This Mrs. Wolf was a, an agency
22		nurse. What kind of orientation did she have
23		to come to work there?
24	Α.	Well, originally we set up where we had a book that
25		we had sent to each nursing company. And in it

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1		were it was we had all of our forms. We had
2		emergency procedures in there. And then I think we
3		also had some things as far as internally that we
4		had outlined. I do know there were problems with
5		the companies not carrying the information out.
6		MS. SIEGFRIED: Do you know if Mrs. Wolf was deemed
7		competent?
8	Α.	I, I couldn't, I couldn't I don't know. I
9		couldn't tell you that, ma'am. I just know we sent
10		the information to the different service agencies
11		that we use.
12		MS. SIEGFRIED: And you don't know, you don't know
13		her competence to know the policies and the
14		procedures and rules and practices of the
15	Α.	No, ma'am.
16		MS. SIEGFRIED: What was, what was broken on the
17		Foley?
18	Α.	As I, as I understood, it was the bulb on the Foley
19		Catheter.
20		MS. SIEGFRIED: And so it was slipping or?
21	Α.	From what I understood from what I could tell in
22		my notes, the actual bulb was broken. Now, I'm not
23		a nurse. So what that means I don't know. I can
24		only go by what I was told by other nurses.
25		MS. SIEGFRIED: So what was the outcome of that?
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Page 28 1 What happened? I mean, what was the symptoms 2 the patient had? 3 I'm not a nurse, ma'am. You know, I just, I can't Α. 4 go to a nursing question. 5 MS. SIEGFRIED: I'm just wondering ---I don't know. 6 Α. 7 MS. SIEGFRIED: --- why that, why did you even think that it was broken? 8 9 Α. Because that's what I was told. MS. SCAGLIONE: In the, in the notes Ms. Wolf wrote 10 11 that the catheter would arrive the next day 12 per Hospice. Why would Hospice be bringing 13 the Foley Catheter? 14 Because Ms., Ms. M.W. was receiving Hospice Α. 15 services. MS. SCAGLIONE: So they bring in all equipment that 16 17 -- associated with the Hospice, Hospice 18 patient that may be needed? 19 Α. No. 20 MS. SCAGLIONE: No. Okay. 21 Α. I think that's just her note. Typically we get the 22 equipment. We have a cabinet out in the garage. 23 MS. SCAGLIONE: Right. 24 Each cabinet has the, each persons name on it. Α. All 25 their durable medical equipment is in the cabinet

Page 29 1 in each garage at each house at Wilson I and Wilson 2 II. 3 MS. SCAGLIONE: I see that it's ordered every month 4 for the Foley Catheter to be changed. Do you 5 know if this is, if the resident M.W., is this 6 the first patient's catheter change or how 7 long has she had the catheter? I couldn't speak to that, ma'am. I, I ... 8 Α. No. 9 MS. SCAGLIONE: Would, would you say it's a, it's 10 normal for the residents of the, of, of this 11 home to have indwelling Foley Catheters? Is 12 that a normal thing for patients? Okav. 13 Α. Yeah. Yes, ma'am. We have a number of people with 14 them. 15 MS. SCAGLIONE: So, so all the equipment is in a little cabinet for each patient? 16 17 Α. It's in a great big huge cabinet. 18 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. 19 I mean, it's not a big thing -- it goes floor to Α. 20 ceiling ---21 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. 22 Α. --- in the garage and it has one big door, but then 23 it has like two levels to it. And each person has one big section on those levels because it's 24 25 separated from like durable medical equipment like

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1		syringes and Foley Catheters, and then below is
2		other stuff like Peri-Wash or whatever.
3		MS. SCAGLIONE: Right. So there's no central one
4		area a nurse could go in and open up a door
5		and there'd be all this different type of
6		equipment?
7	Α.	They can get those, they can get anything out of
8		those cabinets that they need and they can
9		replenish their stock inside the house. It, it's,
10		it's really kind of up to them. If they want to go
11		get it, I mean the garage is right there.
12		MS. SCAGLIONE: Uh-huh.
13	Α.	It's connected to the house. It's not like you
14		have to walk a hundred yards or something. It's
15		just like the nurses station is right here and the
16		garage door is right here. You just go in the
17		garage and there are the cabinets. And, but if
18		they want to go out to the cabinets and get durable
19		medical equipment or supplies and put it in the
20		cabinets inside the house, they can do that.
21		MS. SCAGLIONE: Would your policy prevent one of
22		the nurses taking of a Foley Catheter that
23		from someone else's drawer and using it on a
24		different patient? What would be the
25		procedure if that was done?

Page 31 1 Α. If it's ---2 MS. SCAGLIONE: --- if it was needed. 3 --- I mean, if, if somebody needed something and it Α. 4 hadn't been used and it was sterile, what we would 5 have to do is they would have to let us know and 6 we'd have to replace that person's item. 7 MS. SCAGLIONE: Right. And I have gotten calls for that. Because, you 8 Α. 9 know, we have to process the paperwork. Sure. Okay. No further questions 10 MS. SCAGLIONE: 11 for the program coordinator. Any other 12 questions? 13 MS. BURGESS: I do. MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. 14 MS. BURGESS: Who licensed these facilities? 15 Pardon me? 16 Α. 17 MS. BURGESS: Who licensed these ---18 Α. The South Carolina Depart -- excuse me, it just 19 recently changed. But during this time period, it 20 was the South Carolina Department of Disabilities 21 and Special Needs. 22 MS. BURGESS: Okay. 23 It is now DHEC. Α. MS. BURGESS: Okay. And these are folks who have 24 25 MR or dementia or whatever with chronic

Page 32 diseases? And you said they required skilled 1 2 nursing care? 3 Yes, ma'am. Α. 4 MS. BURGESS: So having said that -- and really my 5 questions are along the line of the previous 6 Panel member's questions -- your supply closet 7 in the garage is an open supply closet for ever -- I mean, is it or is it designated per 8 9 patient? Tell me about ---10 Α. Yes. It's designated by patient. 11 MS. BURGESS: So do you keep extra supplies in 12 there for patients if they need them? For 13 example, I noticed this patient had a PEG. So 14 if that PEG were to come out during the middle 15 of the night. The PEG tube we have had where -- it just depends 16 Α. 17 on the situation. Like, there again, I'm not a 18 nurse. MS. BURGESS: But what I want to know is about the 19 20 supplies. What do you keep on hand and would 21 be extra in case, for example, a patient 22 pulled their Foley out or whatever? Do you 23 have those ---24 We're supposed to, we are supposed to have all that Α. 25 stuff.

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1		MS. BURGESS: And if there isn't one, what is your
2		policy and procedure for the nurse on duty to
3		obtain that?
4	A.	Well, honestly, they're supposed to call us.
5		MS. BURGESS: But is there a policy
б	Α.	If we didn't get a phone
7		MS. BURGESS: written to that effect? For
8		example, I come on and I come work in your
9		facility and a patient pulls their Foley out
10		or whatever. So how am I
11	Α.	They're supposed
12		MS. BURGESS: how do I get one
13	Α.	They're
14		MS. BURGESS: if I go to the supply closet and
15		there isn't one?
16	Α.	okay if that if that occurs, they're
17		supposed to call. If we don't have it there, then
18		we need to send them out and get it replaced. In
19		other words, we need, you know, if, if, if
20		somebody, if if something like this happens and
21		there were no supplies, then they need to call
22		whoever the administrator is on call and then we
23		would have to get them somewhere to get whatever it
24		is they needed to have it done.
25		MS. BURGESS: And they know this? The nurses on

Page 34 1 call? 2 Yes, ma'am. Α. 3 MS. BURGESS: Or whoever's working? 4 Α. Uh-huh. 5 MS. SIEGFRIED: Agency staff also? 6 Α. Agency staff? You mean ---7 MS. BURGESS: Whoever's working with the patients? Right. Like I said, I've received phone calls from 8 Α. 9 a many, many, many different -- our employees, our 10 nurses, and service agency nurses. 11 MS. BURGESS: Okay. 12 MS. SCAGLIONE: Has Ms. Wolf ever called you before 13 for any other, excuse me, Stephanie. Does 14 that answer your question? 15 MS. BURGESS: That's okay. Go ahead. MS. SCAGLIONE: Has Ms., Ms. Wolf ever called you 16 17 before for, for a supply at home? 18 Α. I'm -- that was back in 2, I couldn't tell you. Ι 19 couldn't remember. 20 MS. SCAGLIONE: How long was Ms. Wolf employed with 21 you all? She wasn't employed by us. 22 Α. 23 MS. SCAGLIONE: How long have you been using as an, 24 as agency staff prior to this incident? 25 I didn't research that information. Α.

Page 35 1 MS. SIEGFRIED: Do you know if she had any other 2 complaints of, of care? Do you know? 3 You know I hate to -- I would say off the top of my Α. 4 head no. But I, I really can't even -- I shouldn't even say that. What I should say is, without 5 6 researching it, I really can't answer that 7 question. MS. SCAGLIONE: Did you talk to Ms., Ms. Wolf the 8 9 next day after the incident at all? Have you 10 ever had a conversation with her personally 11 about what might have happened? 12 Α. I don't remember having a conversation with her. Ι 13 know we called her employer or whoever she was 14 working for. 15 MS. SCAGLIONE: Well, what was the recommendation after you did your Critical Incident? 16 17 Well they -- anytime any -- if it's a service Α. 18 agency person -- it's a lot different for somebody 19 \_ \_ \_ 20 MS. SCAGLIONE: Right. --- who's a service agency than our own employee. 21 Α. I understand. 22 MS. SCAGLIONE: 23 But if it's a service agency person, we notify the Α. 24 companies and they cannot come back to the 25 facility.

Page 36 1 MS. SCAGLIONE: The last question that I have is, 2 when you did your Critical Incident, what did 3 your facility decide to do to prevent this 4 occurrence in the future or was just the 5 recommendation ---T mean. 6 Α. MS. SCAGLIONE: --- to take this to the State 7 Board? 8 9 Α. Well, they, I mean that was -- can I read it? MS. SCAGLIONE: Yes. That'd be helpful. 10 11 Because I can't -- I said that the Quality Α. 12 Assurance Risk Committee and Safety Committee would review this incident in November to determine the 13 14 steps that the Fairfield County DSM Board can take in order to ensure an incidence of this nature is 15 not repeated. In addition, the healthcare 16 17 administrator's holding a staff meeting for all 18 nurses and agencies who provide nursing services 19 for Wilson I and II on November 20th, 2007. 20 MS. SCAGLIONE: Holding a staff meeting, so, so 21 they can let them know how to get supplies? 22 Do you know what the staff meeting was about 23 or? 24 I, I, I didn't bring -- if I'd -- I didn't bring Α. 25 those minutes from the staff meeting.

Page 37 1 MS. SIEGFRIED: Do you know the results of the 2 quality review? 3 I didn't bring those minutes either. What -- I Α. 4 know -- I hope you don't misunderstand me, but this 5 was 2007. The QA Committee, which is what this is 6 referring to, meets every single month. And I, you 7 know, I just don't have those minutes. MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. Do you know if there is any 8 9 other -- well, let's see if I can ask this --10 any other equipment, problems obtaining of 11 equipment since this particular incident in 12 2007? 13 Α. No. 14 MS. SCAGLIONE: None? Had there ever been prior 15 problems ---16 Α. The only, you know, let me, let me -- I shouldn't 17 have said no. 18 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. Okay. We do have one resident that has a PEG tube. 19 Α. The PEG tube did come out. She was sent to the ER. 20 21 She did have to have it surgically reinserted. 22 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. 23 MS. BURGESS: One more question, Madam Chair. Ι 24 just want to clarify there is a policy and a 25 procedure that when there's equipment failure

Page 38 1 or a patient pulls out there equipment, 2 whatever. On that particular shift, there's a 3 policy and a procedure that they know to call 4 the administrator on call to either (A) get 5 the equipment ASAP or send the patient to an 6 appropriate provider to have that attended to 7 immediately. Is that correct? 8 Α. Right. 9 MS. BURGESS: Okay. That's what I needed to know. I need to say it's, it's, is it a formal policy in 10 Α. 11 writing? 12 MS. BURGESS: Yes. That's what I'm asking. 13 I didn't -- all right. Well, let me clarify Α. Okay. 14 I'm, I'm not in charge anymore. Our nursing that. 15 services administrator is. But we did at one time. 16 I think more now it's verbal, you know. 17 MS. BURGESS: But in 2007, was there something 18 written saying ---19 There was, there was ---Α. MS. BURGESS: --- if I came there too as an agency 20 21 nurse, how would I know what to do? 22 Α. There was, there was information posted down there, 23 And it was available. And, and like I said, yes. 24 people call me all the time. 25 MS. SIEGFRIED: Posted where?

Page 39 1 Α. In, in the nurse's station. I mean, we have 2 notices posted everywhere: who to call and, you 3 know, who's on call, the schedule. 4 MS. BURGESS: I'm -- right. But what I'm asking is 5 I'm on call, or I come to your agency and work 6 as a nurse. 7 Α. Uh-huh. MS. BURGESS: Somebody pulls their PEG out or they 8 9 pull their Foley out or -- they do those 10 things all the time. What I'm asking is is 11 there something written that would tell me 12 what to do in order to get that patient taken 13 care of? That's what I'm asking. Would, 14 would, would I know as a nurse ---15 Α. Well, it was supposed to be ---MS. BURGESS: --- I mean, I know what to do. 16 17 Α. Okay. MS. BURGESS: But what I'm asking you is ---18 19 Yeah. Α. 20 MS. BURGESS: --- what is your policy for your 21 facility? 22 Α. And like I said, it was supposed to -- it was sent 23 to the companies. Whether or not they shared it, I 24 don't now. 25 MS. BURGESS: Okay. That's what I wanted to know.

Page 40 1 Thank you. Thank you very much. 2 MS. SCAGLIONE: Anything else for her? 3 MS. SIEGFRIED: I'm good. 4 MS. BURGESS: No, I'm good. Thanks. 5 MS. SCAGLIONE: Thank you. 6 MS. ANDINO: Do you have any questions for her? 7 MS. WOLF: No, I don't. MS. ANDINO: Okay. The State will call its next 8 9 witness, Ms. Pearline Livingston. 10 Whereupon, 11 Pearline M. Livingston is duly sworn and cautioned 12 to speak the truth, the whole truth, and 13 nothing but the truth. 14 EXAMINATION OF MS. LIVINGSTON BY MS. ANDINO: 15 MS. ANDINO: If you give me just a moment, I think 16 she actually took the exhibits, the last witness, 17 sorry. 18 (Off the record briefly). 19 Ms. Livingston, can you please state your full name Ο. 20 for the record? 21 Yes, ma'am. My name is Pearline M. Livingston. Α. 22 Ο. Can you spell your first name please? 23 Α. P-E-A-R-L-I-N-E. 24 Okay. And Ms. Livingston, where are you currently Q. 25 employed?

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1	Α.	I work I'm employed at Fairfield Disabilities
2		Board.
3	Q.	And what are your duties there?
4	Α.	My title is a CHT Counselor II, but my duties are
5		I'm a direct care worker.
6	Q.	And what does that mean, direct care worker?
7	Α.	Okay. I do the ADLs as in bathing. I prepare I
8		bathe and dress, and transfer if, if they're up to
9		transfer to a wheelchair or whatever. Then I, I
10		prepare meals. I serve. I feed. And we have
11		documentation. We have things that are
12		accountability supervision level and BSPs that we
13		have to document on the consumers during the day.
14	Q.	Okay. Okay. And how long have you worked there at
15		the Disability and Special Needs Board?
16	Α.	I think tomorrow will be five years.
17	Q.	Okay. Are you a nurse?
18	Α.	No, ma'am. I'm not.
19	Q.	You, you're not? Okay.
20	Α.	No, I'm not.
21	Q.	And were you present at Wilson I CTH II on November
22		5th, 2007?
23	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
24	Q.	And what shift were you working that day?
25	Α.	I had to go back and look because its been a while.

Page 42 1 Ο. Uh-huh. 2 But I went back and looked in the log book that we Α. 3 sign in on and I worked that night from 12 to 4 eight. 5 Q. 12-midnight? 6 Α. Yes, ma'am. To eight a.m.. 7 Ο. On the 6th? 8 Α. Yes. 9 Q. So from 12-midnight on November 5th to eight a.m. 10 November 6th? 11 Α. Yes, ma'am. 12 Okay. And when you arrived for your shift, did, Ο. 13 did you go and check on your residents? Yes. We do, it's called where I work a walk 14 Α. 15 through. The shift before me -- the direct care staff like myself. 16 17 Uh-huh. Ο. 18 Α. And we do a walk through and then we give like what 19 a report is whatever happened during that shift. 20 Q. Okay. And that's procedure; that's typically done for all residents? 21 22 Α. Yes, ma'am. 23 If you can take a look at that document Ο. Okay. 24 there, it's State's Exhibit Number 3. I, I want 25 you to look at it just in order to identify the

Page 43 resident. We're going to just refer to the 1 2 resident with the initials M.W. Look through that 3 and tell me if, if you remember caring for that 4 resident, the resident referred to in that exhibit. 5 Α. I'm just looking through here, but yes. From the 6 first page I remember caring for this consumer. 7 Okay. And with regards to that resident identified 0. in State's Exhibit 3, do you recall checking on 8 9 that, checking in on that particular resident when 10 you came on shift? 11 Α. Yes. 12 That day? Ο. 13 Α. Yes. 14 Okay. And when you went to check in on her, what -Q. 15 - was there anything about her condition that, that caught your attention? 16 17 For one thing, the Foley bag wasn't on the bed, you Α. 18 know, like visible on the bed. 19 The Foley bag? Ο. The catheter bag. 20 Α. 21 It wasn't on the bed? Ο. 22 Α. No. 23 And to your knowledge was she supposed to Ο. Okay. 24 have a Foley Catheter in place? 25 If memory serves me correctly, because it has been Α.

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1		two years. I remember, you know, some things and
2		some are not so clear. But that's, that's that
3		part I do remember because the bag wasn't there.
4	Q.	Okay. But to your recollection she was supposed to
5		have a Foley Catheter in place?
6	Α.	To, to my knowledge she was supposed to have one.
7	Q.	And when you saw that the catheter wasn't in place
8		for that resident, did you contact the nurse on
9		duty?
10	Α.	No. After we did the walk through if I can
11		remember right, that's when well, we have is a
12		report was given to what happened during the shift
13		before mine. And I'm pretty sure that's when we
14		were told that Ms. W's Foley came out.
15	Q.	So you, you were told by report? Was that a verbal
16		report
17	Α.	Yes.
18	Q.	that you received?
19	Α.	Yes.
20	Q.	And that's when you learned that Ms the
21		resident's catheter was not in place?
22	Α.	Yes.
23	Q.	But you, you stated that you did a walk through and
24		then you noticed it that it wasn't in place. So
25		you confirmed that, correct?

Page 45 1 Α. Uh-huh. 2 Do you know Ms. Wolf? Ο. 3 Α. I've worked with Ms. Wolf. 4 Ο. To your recollection, do you remember seeing her on 5 that date? 6 Α. Yes. 7 Did you have any interaction with her regarding Ο. this resident on that date? 8 9 Α. You said me as in me specifically? Because ---Yes. You yourself. 10 Ο. 11 Let me think because -- okay. The area in which Α. 12 we're in to give the report --I'm going to say 13 report -- but the, whatever happened on the, the 14 shift before, is everywhere we all four would've 15 been because as the, the, the nurse that's leaving, the nurse who's coming on, the staff that's 16 17 leaving, and me, the staff that's coming on. So I 18 don't know what you mean if she told it to me specifically. It, it would've been said in the 19 midst of us all. 20 21 Okay. Do you know -- just to sum up your testimony 0. 22 so far, you said that you received verbal report 23 that the catheter was not in place. When you did 24 your walk through, you noticed that -- you verified 25 it yourself that it wasn't in place, correct?

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1	Α.	Yes.
2	Q.	Do you know where a replacement catheter would be
3		stored?
4	Α.	Yes.
5	Q.	And where would that be?
6	A.	We have what's like a garage, but they have
7		cabinets built in it. Each cabinet has a
8		consumer's name on the outside of it. It has a key
9		to it it has a lock to it and that's where their
10		medical supplies are kept.
11	Q.	Okay. To your recollection, you don't recall
12		speaking with Ms. Wolf regarding the catheter not
13		being in place or where a replacement catheter
14		would be?
15	Α.	Let's see. If I can remember, if I can remember,
16		when it was said that it wasn't there and the
17		reason why it wasn't in, again, because I think I
18		remember her saying she didn't know where it was or
19		where they kept them. Because I remember telling
20		her or walking out to the garage to show her this
21		is where. I think I opened the door. I think I
22		opened the door.
23	Q.	Do you have a question?
24		MS. GREEN: No. I'm, I'm just saying something to
25		myself. I apologize, I apologize. I'm

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1		thinking. I'm, I'm in the twilight zone. I
2		apologize.
3	Α.	Okay. Because the room where the nurses are and
4		the, and the last room, the door to the garage is
5		right there. And if I remember correctly, I opened
6		the door and, I mean, everything that the consumers
7		has to use is in there: the gloves, the feedings,
8		the everything. And that's where I, you know, told
9		her that's where the stuff was.
10	Q.	So you told Ms. Wolf that the catheter or the, the
11		equipment for the resident would be located in that
12		cabinet?
13	Α.	Yes.
14	Q.	Just to clarify, did you, did you say that you took
15		her to the storage?
16	Α.	No, I did not.
17	Q.	Okay. So you just told her that it would be in the
18		storage area?
19	Α.	Yes.
20	Q.	Did you yourself go to the cabinet to see if there
21		was a catheter there?
22	Α.	No, not at this time. Because, if I can remember
23		correctly
24	Q.	Uh-huh.
25	Α.	that would've meant Ms. Wolf was leaving and
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that the next nurse was coming on.

- 2 Q. Okay. Just from, from your knowledge, what were 3 the resident's medical conditions from what you can 4 recollect on that resident?
- 5 Α. From my memory, I remember Ms. W. was really sick. If I can remember, she was sent out to, to see a 6 7 doctor maybe a couple of days, something like that -- excuse me, excuse me -- before that. 8 That's 9 when she came back with the Foley. Not very much 10 was told to direct care staff. Most of the 11 information that came when, when our consumers go 12 to the doctor was handled by the nurse. What, what 13 we are usually told for something we needed to be 14 But knowing -- Ms. W. was there a while. told. 15 She was there four or five years ago. The company I work for now, another company ran it. 16
- 17 Q. Uh-huh.
- 18 Α. So you know, I kind of knew her a while. That's, 19 that's why this sticks out with me, you know. Ι can remember some things about this, because I 20 21 would, I know her, I knew her for a while. And 22 when you know somebody for a while, you kind of be 23 really, really, really interested. But only thing 24 we knew, only thing I knew is that she was sent out 25 to the doctors. She came back with the Foley,

Page 49 1 because there wasn't supposed to be any urine left 2 in her. So they got a Foley bag to just drain it 3 all out. 4 Q. Okay. I don't have any further questions. Please answer any questions the Panel may have or Ms. 5 Wolf. 6 7 MS. WOLF: I don't have any. MS. ANDINO: You don't have any questions? 8 Okay. 9 EXAMINATION OF MS. LIVINGSTON BY THE BOARD: 10 MS. SCAGLIONE: During your shift, which started at 11 midnight, correct? 12 Yes, ma'am. Α. MS. SCAGLIONE: Did, did you work with a nurse, 13 14 usually work with a nurse? 15 Α. Yes, ma'am. 16 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. Did you have a conversation 17 with that nurse about the Foley Catheter at 18 all? That nurse that I worked with? 19 Α. MS. SCAGLIONE: Right, on your shift. 20 21 Yes, I did. Α. 22 MS. SCAGLIONE: Can you tell me what the, what the 23 conversation may have been, been about? Did you have a discussion that there would -- that 24 25 the Foley Catheter was out and that -- I don't

Page 50 1 want to put words into your mouth. 2 Okay. Yeah. Let me think. Yeah. We -- yeah. Α. 3 It, it was a discussion because it wasn't back in. 4 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. 5 Α. When it came to her, when it came to her, the nurse 6 that I worked with, I, I went into the garage. 7 MS. SCAGLIONE: On your shift? 8 Α. Yes, ma'am. 9 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. And? It was something -- some confusion about it because 10 Α. 11 -- I can't remember what she said but I told her, I 12 said well I'm, I'm a direct care worker and if you 13 need to know anything else, we have a healthcare 14 administrator or my super, like the supervisor over stuff that would know where stuff would be and I 15 16 wouldn't know. So that's what I suggested that she 17 do. 18 MS. SCAGLIONE: Do you know if the nurse on your 19 shift went into the garage to check to see if 20 there was a Foley Catheter? 21 I'm, I'm thinking because I want to be, I want to Α. 22 be right. I think she did. I'm, I'm pretty sure 23 she did because, because -- okay, it's, it's like 24 this. This -- that area that I just explained with 25 the door right there going into the garage. Well,

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1		it's a area right before there and it's kind of
2		separates direct care staff like myself from
3		nursing staff. It's kind of like two different
4		places. So where the conversation took place was
5		where I was sitting where my little desk area is,
6		where my books and stuff that I write in. So she
7		went out of my area. I'm not sure if she went to
8		her desk or she went into the garage.
9		MS. SCAGLIONE: How do you know how long had
10		you been working with, with this particular
11		nurse on your shift?
12		MS. ANDINO: Can, can I just interject so that
13		we're clear. Are you referring to Ms. Wolf or
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15		MS. SCAGLIONE: No.
16		MS. ANDINO: the
17		MS. SCAGLIONE: The
18		MS. ANDINO: the nurse on her shift?
19		MS. SCAGLIONE: the nurse on your shift, Ms.
20		Linda?
21	Α.	The 12 to eight nurse.
22		MS. SCAGLIONE: Right. How long have you
23	Α.	Ms., Ms. Prater.
24		MS. SCAGLIONE: Right. How long have you worked
25		with Ms. Prater?

Page 52 1 Α. I worked with her a couple days. Like maybe a 2 week. 3 MS. SCAGLIONE: A week? 4 Α. During, during the week, maybe three or four times. That wasn't the first time I worked with her. 5 6 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. Would you, would you say 7 it's safe, safe to say that she would know to go look in the, into the garage for the Foley 8 9 Catheter? Did she know -- you've seen her go in there before for different supplies? 10 11 Α. Yes, ma'am. 12 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. Thank you. 13 MS. SIEGFRIED: Do you know if the patient had 14 urine through the night? Did she like wet? 15 Α. MS. SIEGFRIED: Uh-huh. 16 17 Yes, she did. Α. 18 MS. SIEGFRIED: So the patient did wet the bed and 19 the bed had to be changed? 20 Α. Yes, ma'am. 21 MS. SIEGFRIED: Okay. More than once? 22 Α. Yes, ma'am. 23 MS. BURGESS: Can I ask some questions? 24 Α. Excuse me. 25 MS. BURGESS: Hey.

1 Α. Hello. 2 MS. BURGESS: I just want to clarify. You, you came on shift at 12. Your shift was 12 to 3 4 eight or something like that, correct? 5 Α. Yes. Yes, ma'am. 6 MS. BURGESS: The graveyard shift. 7 Α. Yeah. MS. BURGESS: That's what I used to work. Who told 8 9 you that the catheter was out? Or who told 10 you all in report? You said you heard that in 11 report. 12 Yes, yes. Ms. -- the, the nurse that was, was Α. 13 leaving, Ms. Wolf. 14 MS. BURGESS: Okay. That's what I needed to know. 15 And did they elaborate what they had done to 16 obtain or do anything about that? Do you 17 recall any conversation about that? 18 Α. I -- there was something. Like I said, I'm, I'm --19 there was something. There was a reason given. 20 I'm not at all clear what it was or why it wasn't 21 put back in. You know, like I just -- I remember how it was going. Like Ms., Ms. W.'s catheter came 22 23 out, but. I don't know if the but was she didn't 24 know where it was or ---25 MS. BURGESS: She didn't know where what was?

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Page 54 1 Α. The catheter. 2 MS. BURGESS: The replacement or the one that was 3 yanked out? 4 Α. No. The one -- was yanked out? 5 MS. BURGESS: Well, fell out, whatever. I don't 6 know. You said ---7 Α. Yeah, they say it came out. I'm ---MS. BURGESS: Okay. Came out. The one, which one 8 9 are you talking about? 10 I'm talking about the one that wasn't never in yet. Α. The one that was in the kit that would've been in 11 12 the supply closet with her supplies, with Ms. W's 13 supplies. MS. BURGESS: Okay. And you saw that replacement 14 15 catheter? No, I didn't. 16 Α. 17 MS. BURGESS: Okay. That's all I have. MS. ANDINO: Do you have any? 18 19 MS. WOLF: I'm fine, thank you. MS. ANDINO: I don't have any further questions. 20 21 You, you can step down. And at this time the 22 State will call its last witness, Mary Mills. 23 Whereupon, 24 Mary Mills is duly sworn and cautioned to speak the 25 truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

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1	EXAMINATI	ON OF MS. MILLS BY MS. ANDINO:
2	Q.	Please state your full name for the record.
3	Α.	Mary Dawn Ruth Mills.
4	Q.	And Ms. Mills, where are you currently employed?
5	Α.	Jesse Frank Hawkins Nursing Home in Newberry, South
6		Carolina.
7	Q.	And how long have you been there?
8	Α.	October, it'll be a year.
9	Q.	Okay. And are you a registered nurse or an LPN?
10	Α.	LPN.
11	Q.	And did you ever work at Wilson I CTH II?
12	Α.	Yes, I did.
13	Q.	And how long were you employed there?
14	Α.	Not quite a year.
15	Q.	Almost a year?
16	Α.	Almost a year.
17	Q.	Okay. Were you working there on November 6th,
18		2007?
19	Α.	Yes.
20	Q.	Okay. And what shift were you working that day?
21	Α.	I worked first shift, eight to four.
22	Q.	Eight a.m. to four p.m.?
23	Α.	Eight a.m. to four p.m.
24	Q.	On the 6th?
25	Α.	Right.

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1	Q.	You have in front of you what's State's Exhibit
2		Number 3. If you can please review that and let me
3		know if you recall caring for the resident, that
4		resident. We're going to refer to her by her
5		initials M.W. If you remember caring
6	A.	Yes.
7	Q.	for that resident on November 6th.
8	A.	Yes.
9	Q.	Okay. And upon arriving and checking on, on that
10		particular resident, do you recall if there was a
11		Foley Catheter in place?
12	Α.	No.
13	Q.	Did you replace the Foley Catheter?
14	Α.	Yes. I replaced it.
15	Q.	If you can look at that Exhibit on page 8, it's the
16		red numbers on the top of the right. Look at the
17		page.
18	Α.	Yes.
19	Q.	There's one entry that, if you will, two entries
20		that appear there on page 8. Did you make those
21		entries?
22	Α.	Yes, I did.
23	Q.	And per those nurse notes, at approximately what
24		time did you replace the catheter?
25	Α.	10:20 a.m.

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	1	Q.	On November 6th?
	2	A.	On November the 6th.
	3	Q.	Okay. And where did you obtain the replacement
	4		catheter?
	5	A.	Well, we have a cabinet there in the garage. I, I
	6		apparently I got it from there.
	7	Q.	Okay. And do you know Ms., Ms. Darleen Wolf?
	8	A.	No, I do not.
	9	Q.	Did you see Ms. Wolf at the facility on that day?
	10	A.	Well, I'm sure I did if I relieved her.
	11	Q.	And you said you worked what shift that day?
	12	A.	Eight a to four p.
	13	Q.	Okay. But just looking at Ms. Wolf here today, do
	14		you recall?
	15	A.	No.
	16	Q.	You don't recall her?
	17	A.	No.
	18	Q.	Okay. Did you report to anyone that the catheter
	19		had not been replaced prior to your arrival?
	20	A.	I, I replaced it. That's all I can recall.
	21	Q.	Okay. Aside from, from your testimony, what you're
	22		saying that on November 6th around ten a.m., you
	23		replaced a catheter. It was not in place at that
	24		time. Aside from that testimony, do you have any
	25		other knowledge or any other information pertaining
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Page 58 1 to Ms. Wolf or this matter regarding this resident? 2 No, I don't. Α. 3 I don't have any further questions. Ο. Okay. Please 4 answer any that Ms. Wolf may have or the Panel. 5 MS. WOLF: I don't have any questions. 6 MS. ANDINO: No questions? 7 EXAMINATION OF MS. MILLS BY THE BOARD: MS. SCAGLIONE: Ms. Miller, Ms. Mills, correct? 8 9 Α. Yes. 10 MS. SCAGLIONE: Mills. When you received report at 11 seven or eight a.m. on the morning of November 12 6th, the conversation about Ms. M.W.'s Foley 13 Catheter between you and the nurse, nurse that 14 was going home from night shift was? 15 Α. I don't recall. MS. SIEGFRIED: How did you know the patient didn't 16 17 have a Foley? I, I really don't recall. I, you know, I go in and 18 Α. 19 I check my patients and -- because I -- apparently 20 I didn't replace it until 10:20. 21 MS. GREEN: Did she replace one or put in a new 22 one? 23 MS. SCAGLIONE: She put a new one -- you put a new 24 Foley Catheter in? 25 Α. Yes.

Page 59 1 MS. SCAGLIONE: And you, and you, and the new Foley 2 Catheter was in the cabinet in the garage ---3 Α. Yes. 4 MS. SCAGLIONE: --- where you keep all the 5 supplies? 6 As far as -- I'm not sure. I can't honestly say. Α. 7 MS. SCAGLIONE: You can't say where you got the 8 Foley Catheter ---9 Α. No. 10 MS. SCAGLIONE: --- replacement from? Okay. 11 MS. GREEN: Did, did she replace or did she just 12 put in a new one? That's my question. 13 Α. I'm sorry. 14 MS. GREEN: Did you replace or did you put in a 15 new? Just put in one? Was there one when, 16 when you went in? 17 I put in a new one. I ---Α. 18 MS. GREEN: You didn't take any one out? What I'm 19 saying is did you replace or did you just put 20 in one? 21 I didn't remove one if that's what you're saying. Α. 22 MS. GREEN: So you just put in one? 23 Yes. Α. 24 MS. SIEGFRIED: And you don't recall where you got 25 the Foley?

Page 60 1 Α. We have -- no, I don't. 2 MS. SIEGFRIED: Have you ever not been able to get 3 supplies? If you needed a Foley, have you 4 ever had a, a, a time that there wasn't one 5 available? 6 I, I don't recall. Α. 7 MS. SIEGFRIED: Do you know the procedure if the supply isn't there, as to what you should be 8 9 doing? I know what I would do. 10 Α. 11 MS. SIEGFRIED: Do you know the procedure of the 12 facility? 13 No, I don't know. Α. 14 MS. BURGESS: Madam Chair, may I ask some 15 questions? MS. SCAGLIONE: Yes. Go ahead, Stephanie. 16 17 MS. BURGESS: Okay. So I just wanted to clarify. 18 You did -- to your memory, she didn't have a 19 Foley in and you went in there and put in a 20 new one? 21 Α. Yes. 22 MS. BURGESS: Okay. And you don't know where you 23 obtained it, whether it was the supply closet 24 in the garage or somebody delivered it? 25 Somebody may have delivered it. Α. I ---

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1 MS. BURGESS: But you ------ you know, I just don't, I don't recall. 2 Α. 3 MS. BURGESS: And your policies and procedures, 4 back to Ms. Siegfried's question regarding the 5 facility and incidents that occur and that you 6 may have to obtain replacement equipment or 7 notify somebody of an incident, is there a policy, for example, if the patient were to 8 9 pull out a PEG or a Foley and there wasn't one 10 in the supply cabinet, what is the procedure 11 for you to obtain one? 12 Α. I'm not sure. 13 MS. BURGESS: Okay. And you're employed by the 14 facility or the agency at that time? 15 Α. Facility. 16 MS. BURGESS: Okay. All right. Thanks. That's 17 all my questions. 18 MS. ANDINO: Okay. No further questions. You can 19 step out. And at this time the State rests. 20 MS. SCAGLIONE: Ms. Wolf, the State has presented 21 its case and rests at the time. Would you 22 like to present your case? 23 MS. WOLF: Yes, ma'am. 24 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. Go ahead, take the witness 25 chair.

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1	Whereupon,
2	Darleen Wolf is duly sworn and cautioned to speak
3	the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but
4	the truth.
5	STATEMENT BY THE RESPONDENT
6	MS. WOLF: My name is Darleen Wolf. I've been a
7	nurse for 21 years. I'm an Army-trained
8	nurse. The night that I worked with consumer
9	M.W., I went in to do some incontinent care
10	with the technician. I normally work with
11	them and work with each individual patient
12	when I work. I noticed that her bulb to her
13	Foley Catheter was broken, and I went ahead
14	and removed it had already slid out of her
15	urethra. So I went ahead and removed it and
16	bagged it and all. At that time, I did know
17	that there was a supply cabinet in the garage
18	with her equipment in it. And so I have a key
19	on that key ring for the lock to that cabinet.
20	Myself and the mental health specialist I was
21	working with, her name was Mary, the first
22	name was Mary at the time we went out to
23	the garage and I literally crawled from shelf
24	to shelf looking for a replacement Foley
25	Catheter that particular evening. It was

1 11:30 at night. I -- when I finished with 2 that I went in -- I had given, been given 3 report earlier that day that Ms. M.W. was 4 going under Hospice care. And I didn't --5 wasn't aware that there was any particular 6 procedure to follow for the Wilson Home to 7 obtain equipment. The last I had known when a consumer becomes Hospice care -- normally I'm 8 9 familiar with contacting Hospice for all of 10 their supplies and their needs and letting 11 them know what's going on so that their --12 because they become somewhat of a primary care 13 to the, the patients. I did not call Susan, 14 who I believe was the head nurse, in the head 15 nurse role at that time because of, I didn't 16 feel that there was an emergency situation 17 that required me to notify anybody for the 18 resident at that particular time. I took my 19 nursing judgement and I did what I thought I 20 should do at the moment until I could get 21 things stabilized with her. And then I went 22 searching for the equipment that I would need. 23 I could not send her to the emergency room to 24 have the replacement catheter because the lift 25 on the van was broken. I don't, I -- at that

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time I know that there has always been, everywhere I've worked -- I've done agency nursing since 1994 darn near all over the United States and abroad, and I always remembered the lectures about money, money, money. And I know how much an ambulance visits cost to get her from the Wilson Home to Richland Northeast, I believe is where I'd be sending her. Also, I keep in mind with my -with all of my patients and have kept in mind that I try to do what's best for them. And when I went into Ms. M.W.'s room after I had gotten her vital signs on my own, she was on antibiotics for a present UTI already. Her temperature did not indicate that she was in any kind of danger of, life-threatening danger to me. And I took it that after 21 years of nursing that I, I was in a position that I think I can make that, that call. So I didn't feel she was in critical condition that she needed to go by EMS to have a Foley Catheter replaced. In my training I, I'm aware that it's an eight-hour window. If they do not void within eight hours, then we have an emergency situation. We go to the next step.

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I don't know what the particular policies of Wilson's or the Department of Mental Health's protocols are, but I have worked with M.W. for a number of years. I worked with her before she came under Fairfield. I worked with her when she was with Babcock. So I have worked with the Department of Mental Health for a number of years, and I have worked with M.W. for a number of years. So I knew that patient inside and out. And as I said, myself and the mental health specialist that was with me that evening, we went out to the garage. We searched high and low everywhere. When the oncoming nurse came in, which was Linda Prater -- in fact I have my time slip from 2007 that she signed off on. When Linda came in, I said to Linda, I said, Her Foley Catheter is out. I have looked everywhere. If you give me a minute I'm going to run to the other houses, there's two more houses to go to. No one else in any of the other houses -- and M.W. was the only one in that particular house at that time that had a Foley Catheter. I went to all the other houses, went through all the areas that I could think of, all the supply cabinets

Page 66 1 looking for another replacement catheter. I'm 2 not an incompetent nurse. I'm not the best 3 nurse, but I'm a damn good nurse. And I 4 wouldn't leave my patient just lay like that. 5 I wouldn't have been there until one o'clock 6 in the morning trying to figure out what we 7 were going to do so that we could get a replacement catheter. I asked Ms. Prater if 8 she needed me to I'd be willing to run to the 9 10 hospital to get a catheter and I'll bring it 11 back and stick it in. That's how 12 uncomfortable I felt leaving somebody else 13 with, with something that I know I wanted to 14 do myself and I needed to do that. So this 15 isn't something that has, has not plagued me from that night. I have lost my marriage over 16 17 I have gone on medicine because of this. 18 this. I have done my job and there's nothing 19 I would've done different given the 20 opportunity to do it again. And that's all I 21 need to say. I did what I thought was, was 22 right. There were no policies, no procedure 23 books. That was one of the things when I 24 worked with Babcock and they went under 25 Fairfield County control, was the one thing I

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1 always said to them, you know, it's hard 2 coming in to any place, and if I had something 3 to go to to reference I'd, then I would know 4 what to do. But I think that, in this 5 particular case, M.W. was a very special case. 6 She was an 80-something year old woman who was 7 tired. And we did the best we could do to take care of her. It was a very difficult 8 9 family to deal with. And I know that the doctor had a lot to deal with with that 10 11 family. In this particular instance, if they 12 red flagged that Foley Catheter not being replaced -- the one thing I did mention to Ms. 13 14 Gwyn when she spoke to me, I said, Then you 15 need to call every nurse that came in behind me and find out why the catheter wasn't 16 17 replaced. I did my part. I offered to do more than my part. And I just at this point, 18 19 I'm sitting here and I'm listening to 20 testimony and I know I was right. And I guess 21 that I wouldn't change a thing from that night 22 that I did. And if they had the supplies, I 23 would have made sure that that Foley Catheter 24 was replaced. But it makes it difficult 25 because after 21 years of nursing I now have

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Page 68 to question would I be quick to document the

2 That's the position I'm in right next time? 3 I, I have started an RN program. now. Τ 4 stopped that. After all of this came out, I 5 stopped doing anything that I tried to do. My qoal is to go to medical school. I have taken 6 7 all of my dreams and I have totally just washed them away because of this. So I, I 8 9 don't know. I don't know what's going to come 10 out of this, but I did what I was supposed to 11 do. And there were other nurses that came 12 behind me. And I know that Ms. Prater would 13 have done the same thing. She would've 14 replaced the catheter if there was one to 15 replace. There was none available. And I 16 could've made phone calls all night long, and 17 at that time of night there was no one that 18 was going to be able to bring us a Foley 19 Catheter. Linda and I agreed that we'd use 20 the eight-hour nursing window, and M.W. was 21 voiding. She voided twice before I left. 22 Because I documented that I did give her 23 incontinent care. So if she was in danger, I 24 would've been the first to put her in my own 25 vehicle and take her, but the equipment was

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1		faulty, the equipment wasn't there. And as I
2		said, that lift van, the lift was broken.
3		Because I talked to the tech and I said, Well,
4		it's a cold night, but we can wrap her up and
5		we can just run her over to ER real quick, get
6		it done and go from there. And that's when
7		she informed me the lift is broken. We can't
8		even take anybody anywhere. So that was that.
9		Those are the facts that happened that
10		evening. That's all I have to say.
11	EXAMINAT	ION OF MS. WOLF BY MS. ANDINO:
12	Q.	I just have a couple of questions just to follow up
13		on your testimony.
14	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
15	Q.	How long did you work there at Wilson I?
16	Α.	For all total at Wilson I, II, and the other home -
17		- there's three homes that go with that and that
18		we work out of. All total, I've probably worked
19		there between five and six years.
20	Q.	Always as a contract?
21	Α.	As a contract nurse.
22	Q.	Okay.
23	Α.	I started out when I was with, when they were
24		Babcock.
25	Q.	Okay. And just going back, you stated you, you
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Page 70 1 searched for, for -- you knew where to look for the 2 catheter? 3 Α. Yes. 4 Q. Was it typical in those situations where you 5 couldn't find a catheter or any other equipment 6 that a resident needed, was it typical for you, or 7 that you knew of, any other nurse to document that in their nursing notes that you looked but there 8 9 wasn't one available? I'm one of the few nurses, I'm strong on 10 Α. 11 documentation. That's the way I learned. I, I 12 learned that when you pick up a piece of paper, 13 anybody else reading that should be able to have a 14 vivid picture of what's going on. I'm just the 15 type that documents because I need -- that's 16 something to me that was important enough to 17 document. Now, someone else doesn't document, I 18 can't, I can't say what happened. I'm, I'm, you 19 know, there's eight hours missing in there that wasn't documented on so. 20 21 Uh-huh. So it would be important for you to 0. 22 document or, or in your experience, you would 23 document that you went to, to look for a catheter but were unable to find, find one? 24 25 In this particular case, because I -- because there Α.

1 are so many times that the equipment isn't 2 available especially for the Special Needs and 3 Disability, there was no use in me documenting that I couldn't find it. Some, some clients become 4 5 catch 22s. You go in there and you do the best 6 with what you have to work with. You have to 7 improvise on many, on many occasions. For me, again if -- to me, to document that I went and I 8 9 searched in the cabinet and I couldn't find the 10 equipment, because I took and I take my patient 11 care so personally, that to me is saying I'm 12 pointing the finger at someone else. I, instead of what to me would have been a waste of time to 13 14 document I couldn't find the equipment. What's 15 new? I, I go to work there again and here we have another shift where I can't find what I need to 16 17 work with. Let me try to do the next best thing 18 and do the best I can do, do because the patient is my priority. That is the reason I didn't document 19 20 It wasn't the first time I've not been able to it. 21 have equipment to work with. And had I gone back to work there, it wouldn't be the last time I 22 23 wouldn't have something to work with. 24 And you said this patient was on Hospice, and is Q. 25 that correct to your knowledge?

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1A.Well, my, my report that day -- when I got there2that afternoon, it was reported that she was now a3Hospice recipient.

- 4Q. And it's procedure for Hospice patients to -- for5Hospice to provide them with their equipment?
  - 6 A. I -- each client is different.
- 7 Q. Uh-huh.
- A. I don't know what DDSN's protocol is when they deal with Hospice. They don't have very many consumers that are under Hospice care. My dealings with Hospice is normally, when Hospice steps in, then because of the, the way, the way the funding and the billing is and all ---
- 14 Q. Uh-huh.

15 Α. --- Hospice takes care of their equipment, takes care of their medications and all. Each client is 16 17 different though. Some clients they handle that, 18 but we're made aware that it's coming through facility or whoever's handling it though. 19 All I was given was the information that she was now 20 21 Hospice. Which to be a community care home, the 22 only thing that I knew of if she came up under 23 Hospice, that meant part of her funding was going for Hospice and they would supply the equipment. 24 25 And that's why I made the phone call to Hospice and

Page 73 1 not to Susan Chapman. 2 Okay. So you called Hospice and informed them ---0. 3 Α. I called Hospice and left a message for the Hospice 4 nurse, because they are on call 24/7. 5 Q. Okay. And I left a message for her to call me back. 6 Α. Т 7 just gave her a brief synopsis of what was going on and then if she could, just as soon as she got this 8 9 message, she could just swing by and drop off a 10 Foley Catheter, we'd go ahead and put another Foley 11 Catheter in M.W. 12 Okay. And you notice -- if you could turn to page Ο. 7 of that Exhibit. 13 14 Α. Yes. 15 Ο. It's got your notes outlined there? Uh-huh. 16 Α. 17 Where you indicate where you apply the briefs until 0. 18 a replacement catheter arrives tomorrow per 19 Hospice. 20 Α. Yes. 21 Your reasoning for indicating per Hospice? Ο. 22 Α. Because I made the phone call to Hospice. I just 23 didn't go back and document that I had, I had made 24 the phone call to Hospice. I contacted Hospice. 25 Q. Okay. And because you contacted Hospice, is that

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1 your reason for not contacting I quess the 2 administrator or your supervisor to let them know 3 that there was no catheter? 4 Α. Right. At the time I was waiting to see if I could 5 at least get Hospice to call me back to see what 6 they wanted to do and then pull in Susan Chapman. 7 At that time of night, it was going on midnight, it might've been after midnight going into. 8 Because 9 it wasn't a life-threatening situation in my 10 opinion and even in the night nurse's opinion when 11 she came in, we didn't feel a need to call anyone 12 other than, the -- the procedure that we followed we felt comfortable enough between the two of us 13 14 that that would have been enough. She had even 15 told me, Linda Prater had told me, don't worry about it, Darleen. You go ahead and go on home. 16 17 If she doesn't void, I'll keep track of everything 18 and then in the morning we'll just let, let them 19 Because Susan comes in fairly early in the know. 20 morning. Uh-huh. 21 Ο. 22 Α. Susan's usually there between six and seven o'clock 23 in the morning. And because we were still in that 24

eight-hour window, we would go ahead and just do the pad counts and the brief counts.

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Page 75 1 Ο. And Susan is your, your supervisor? 2 Α. Excuse me. 3 Susan was your supervisor at the time? Ο. 4 Α. Well, she was the head nurse supervisor over the 5 Wilson I and II. 6 Ο. Oh, okay. 7 Α. And the, and the other house. Over those three houses there. 8 Whenever -- like in this instance the cath, 9 Okay. Q. 10 instance this catheter was unavailable, per your 11 testimony it was unavailable, once you notify 12 either Hospice or the head nurse, your supervisor, in your experience, typically how soon afterwards 13 14 does a replacement come in? 15 Α. That replacement typically isn't going to come in until the next day. You're lucky if you get it in 16 17 the morning. Nine times out of ten you're not 18 going to get it until probably towards the 19 afternoon, later on in the morning, mid-morning, 20 early afternoon because the supply trucks, the way 21 they run, they, they're not going to run a delivery for one catheter. 22 23 Uh-huh. And that's the same for Hospice or? Ο. It's, it's -- the Hospice nurse can get something 24 Α. 25 to you faster ---

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Q. Uh-huh. 1

2	Α.	than the suppliers. To go through the
3		suppliers, you're, you're going to have to wait
4		until they're on their route. Which you'll
5		probably get it within, you'll get within a 12-hour
6		window normally. But that's why I called the
7		Hospice nurse, because she could've brought it I
8		mean, even if it was one, two, three o'clock in the
9		morning, she could've got a Foley Catheter and
10		shipped dropped it off. That's part of what she
11		does. She's out and about anyway.
12	Q.	Uh-huh.
13	Α.	So I guess to me the lesser of two evils, if I
14		had've called Susan Chapman, still I would've had
15		to make sure I faxed over an order to the supplier.
16	Q.	Uh-huh.
17	Α.	Then we had to wait for them to get the equipment.
18		They're not going to open up until the next
19		morning. It was just, since she was Hospice, I
20		figured that's what we worked with Hospice for.
21	Q.	Okay.
22	Α.	If we need anything.
23	Q.	Okay. I don't have any further questions.
24	EXAMINATI	ON OF MS. WOLF BY THE BOARD:
25		MS. SCAGLIONE: Darleen
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1 Α. Yes, ma'am. 2 MS. SCAGLIONE: M.W. was, is, was, was terminally 3 ill on Hospice and do not resuscitate? 4 Α. She was a do not resuscitate. She just went on 5 Hospice. She had been terminally ill for a number 6 of years. 7 MS. SCAGLIONE: She was -- was she comfort care only? Or was she, in, in, in -- in this 8 9 particular facility without a resident do not resuscitate order? 10 11 Α. It's a comfort, it's a comfort measures only. 12 Palliative care only. In her, in her case, I would 13 say that more than likely for the past three to 14 five years, if I had to call it, I would say 15 palliative care for her. But there was a family that they just -- I pushed for Hospice for a long 16 17 time for M.W. I pushed for Hospice because of the 18 family, not because of M.W. Because I'm very, very 19 close to a lot of Hospice. I, I think they're 20 wonderful. I think a lot of people get the wrong 21 idea about Hospice. I'm the type that would use 22 Hospice to work for the family as opposed to a 23 patient. The family needed that extra support. 24 They needed, they needed that guidance. They were 25 going to need that after care, not the patient so

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1 much. When I saw that M.W. finally had gotten put 2 on Hospice care, I actually was very elated 3 because, like I said, I've worked with her for a 4 number of years. I worked with her when she was at 5 the Babcock Home in Lexington. Excuse me. And I 6 don't care what anybody says, when you're a nurse 7 and you have -- when you're a nurse and you want to be a nurse, that's what you do and nothing else 8 9 matters except for taking care of those patients and those families and doing the right thing as a 10 11 I don't need someone to be able to speak to nurse. 12 I can look in their eyes. I can see how their me. 13 body movements are. I can see their grimaces. Ι 14 asked M.W. that night -- in fact, she had just come 15 back from the hospital I believe three or four days She was tired. And even for me to -- if 16 prior. 17 the lift van, lift van had worked, I would've taken 18 her, gotten her to the hospital for a Foley Cather. 19 Even though in my heart she just kept looking at me and she just sort of would move a little bit. 20 She 21 was tired. She was tired of laying in cold beds 22 and cold rooms and things going in and out and 23 everything. So I asked her, M.W., do you want me 24 to send you to the emergency room? Your catheter 25 is out. I can send you. I never take for granted

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anybody that is mentally delayed or anything else. 1 2 People communicate, I don't care what anybody says. I have that much faith in the fact that God put 3 4 human beings together perfectly. There is nothing 5 wrong with us. And I still communicate with people 6 regardless of what their shortcoming or whatever 7 society thinks about them. She looked at me and she just had this look on her face like if you 8 9 could just let me rest for just a little bit, give me a break here. And I, I even said to her -- the 10 11 whole time I was telling her what I was doing. Ι 12 said, We're going to do a pad count. If you're not 13 voiding, then we have to send you, but let's just 14 see how things go right now. Like I said, her 15 vital signs were stable. She was on antibiotics already. She was not in a life-endangering 16 17 situation that I could see. And I did the best 18 that I could do. And my best that I would do the 19 same thing given the opportunity to do it again. The only thing different, I probably would've made 20 21 the call to Susan. But I didn't know I needed to 22 make the call to Susan. In that nurses' room, 23 there are papers everywhere. There is no protocol. 24 There is nothing you can go to to really sit down, 25 and to be honest with you, the amount of time that

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1	it would take you to have to find things, you would
2	have to be able to work just very quickly. You
3	have to use your nursing judgement.
4	MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. Darleen, I have two
5	questions.
6 A.	Yes, ma'am.
7	MS. SCAGLIONE: Do you know where the, where the
8	day-shift nurse that was in here before you
9	testified got her Foley Catheter the next
10	morning?
11 A.	No, ma'am. I do not.
12	MS. SCAGLIONE: Did you work the next evening?
13 A.	No, ma'am. I, I, I did not. I believe my, my next
14	witness will
15	MS. SCAGLIONE: What's that?
16 A.	My next witness will be able to explain to you. I,
17	I believe that's when my agency got the call that I
18	was not allowed to come back.
19	MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. So that was your last shift
20	there at this particular okay.
21 A.	Yes, ma'am.
22	MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. Darleen, what do you think
23	should happen, happen in this circumstance
24	here with, with this catheter incident?
25 A.	To be honest with you, I'm not without fault. If,

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Page 81 1 if fault is going to be placed, then fine. I will 2 take the blame for not replacing the catheter. But 3 I had nothing to replace the catheter with. If I 4 need to be reprimanded, then that's fine if the 5 Board needs to do something. If something has to 6 be done and somebody wants somebody to pay for what 7 happened, I'd be willing to take the blame for all of it, even though I know that there was nothing 8 9 humanly possible that I could do. There was 10 nothing the nurse coming on after me could humanly 11 possibly do. And then at 10:20 in the morning, 12 still you have a third nurse involved. My biggest 13 qualm was, if I'm going to be punished, I think 14 that all of us need to be reprimanded somehow, 15 someway if it's going to happen, because it wasn't 16 just the one person. It wasn't intentional I 17 don't, I don't think by any means on any one of our 18 parts. 19 MS. SCAGLIONE: What do you think could have 20 prevented this, this? If you had to give 21 us a recommendation here for the supply? 22 Α. If I had to give you a recommend -- having worked 23 with Special Needs and Disability for so long, 24 there is a strong lack of communication. And it's

difficult when you're a nurse. It's hard enough

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1 when you're a nurse and you're on the staff, but 2 it's more difficult when you're a nurse and you're 3 coming from the outside in. You already have a 4 black cloud over you. I think that whoever deals 5 with supplies needs to do a better job of being 6 sure the supplies are stocked. I think that a 7 definite protocol book in writing needs to be put in place so that anybody, doesn't matter whether 8 9 you're a nurse or not, can go in there and be able 10 at least to tab through and find some information. You may not find everything. I, I'm aware of phone 11 12 rosters that are years old that are still hanging in the offices. Like I said, a lot of, a lot of 13 14 what you're required to do, especially with the 15 Special Needs and Disabilities homes, is very time consuming. It's very frustrating because it takes 16 17 away from patient care. I think that everybody 18 needs to step up and take responsibility. And I 19 think that that's probably one of the things that had occurred in this particular instance. I never 20 21 heard anything from the facility. And if it's not 22 their responsibility to contact me directly, then 23 that's fine. But all nurses know nurses. We've 24 all encountered each other someway, somehow, one 25 time or another. And I think that it just needs to

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Page 83 1 be a little bit more organized in those particular 2 community care homes. Because that's not the first one; there's a ton out there. I've worked in many 3 4 of them. And unless you have one of the, a nurse 5 that sort of has an OCD type of effect, you're not 6 going to have a lot of organization. You just have 7 to have somebody that's extremely organized or extremely OCD-ish. That's all. 8 9 MS. SCAGLIONE: Thank you. Excuse me a second. Ι 10 need to ask her a question. 11 (Off the record discussion.) MS. SCAGLIONE: Darleen, my last question is are 12 13 you working somewhere now as a, as a licensed 14 practical nurse? 15 Α. Very rarely. 16 MS. SCAGLIONE: Very rarely? 17 I'm scared to work. Α. 18 MS. SCAGLIONE: You're scared to work? This is really, really -- it, it took a big 19 Α. Yeah. toll on me. I'm scared to do much of anything. 20 Right now the only thing I'm doing with the agency, 21 22 I'm -- and I've asked to sort of just be in the, in 23 the background a little bit more. Right now I'm, 24 I'm supervising some pediatric home care cases. Ι 25 go out and do the assessments on pediatric home

Page 84 1 care cases or special needs. 2 MS. SCAGLIONE: Were you reprimanded at all by your 3 agency? Given any punishment by your agency with this incident? 4 5 Α. No, no. I ... 6 MS. SCAGLIONE: What was the agency you were 7 working for by the way? Statewide. 8 Α. 9 MS. SCAGLIONE: Statewide? 10 Statewide Nursing Solutions. Α. 11 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. 12 Yes, ma'am. The -- she's here. The manager of my Α. agency is here. When she called me and told me 13 14 what was said to her from the nurse from the 15 community care home, they're -- everybody is trying to find a reason to reprimand me. I've had 16 17 numerous nurses that -- a couple of my friends that 18 are nurses I've spoken with. I've just given them 19 a point and case type scenario, you know, what if 20 this happened? And I've had everybody saying pad 21 If you don't have the equipment, that's count. 22 what nurses do. We, we, we check voids. It's an 23 eight-hour window, that's what we do. You have to 24 use your nursing judgement. So it's very difficult 25 to find anyone that is willing to reprimand me

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1		because no one seems to think I did anything wrong.
2		And I still I don't believe I did anything
3		wrong. I did what I was supposed to do.
4		MS. SCAGLIONE: So Statewide, so the agency did
5		nothing about the particular incident?
6	A.	No. They asked me when are you going back to work?
7		Let's go and get you back out there doing
8		something, because you can't coop yourself up at
9		home. You'll wither away because of this.
10		MS. SCAGLIONE: All right. Thank you, I'm done.
11		Carole, anything?
12		MS. SCAGLIONE: Stephanie, anything?
13		MS. BURGESS: Yeah. Just a few questions, please
14		ma'am.
15	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
16		MS. BURGESS: And I just this is all for
17		clarification, most of it.
18	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
19		MS. BURGESS: When you came on shift, the Foley was
20		there, right? But you said it had slipped
21		out; is that correct?
22	Α.	When I came on shift normally the patient care
23		technicians, they pulled back the covers. There's
24		very rare instances where I'll pull back covers.
25		It depends on who I'm working with. We don't

Page 86 1 necessarily go in depth -- when they're doing 2 incontinent, incontinent care, we expect those aides to be able to let us know if something 3 4 doesn't look right and then we go ahead and do 5 that. When you come on a shift, the first thing 6 you have to do is get medications pulled and get 7 the meds out. That is the priority. Everything else just sort of, you sort of get it when, as 8 9 you're going along. 10 MS. BURGESS: So an aide told you? The aide told me when she went in to do 11 Α. Yes. 12 incontinent care that evening. And I asked her, I 13 said, Well, was the Foley Catheter out or anything 14 during the course of the evening. MS. BURGESS: Do we know what time the aide told 15 16 you? 17 Let's see. My note was at 11:30. She let me know Α. 18 -- in fact we searched high and low for about 30 19 minutes in that particular house. So at about 11 o'clock is when she told me. When she was doing 20 21 her last rounds. I think the aides work seven to 22 three, three to 11, 11 to seven, or however they --23 some of the aides come in on the odd hour there. 24 MS. BURGESS: So you went to check it? 25 Yes. I went in ---Α.

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1		MS. BURGESS: And then you discovered that the bulb
2		was fractured?
3	Α.	Yes.
4		MS. BURGESS: And then y'all went to look for a new
5		catheter?
6	A.	Yes, ma'am.
7		MS. BURGESS: And you went to the garage and you
8		said you searched high and low?
9	A.	Yes, ma'am.
10		MS. BURGESS: Even in the other folks'
11	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
12		MS. BURGESS: cabinets or where they keep their
13		supplies and there was nothing to be found; is
14		that correct?
15	A.	Yes, ma'am. I emptied the cabinets in fact. I
16		pulled things out and was sitting things out of the
17		cabinets. Yes, ma'am.
18		MS. BURGESS: And did anybody see you do that?
19	A.	Yes. It was Mary, the technician
20		MS. BURGESS: Medical aide?
21	Α.	that was on. Yes, ma'am.
22		MS. BURGESS: And then you also said that you even
23		went to the other two facilities?
24	A.	Yes. The other two houses. Yes, ma'am.
25		MS. BURGESS: And that you did when the other nurse
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1		came on shift?
2	Α.	Yes.
3		MS. BURGESS: because you couldn't leave your -
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5	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
6		MS. BURGESS: So do we have any witnesses at those
7		facilities who could testify or corroborate
8		your story that you did go over there and look
9		for supplies? I mean, were there people over
10		there that saw you?
11	Α.	Yes, ma'am. The, the techs should've been there
12		when I came, when I came into those houses. I
13		don't know if they knew what I was doing or
14		MS. BURGESS: But they saw you there?
15	Α.	They should've seen me. Yes, ma'am.
16		MS. BURGESS: Okay. And in terms of the voiding on
17		your shift.
18	Α.	Yes.
19		MS. BURGESS: You noticed that she had 275 ccs in
20		her catheter.
21	Α.	In her
22		MS. BURGESS: So she didn't void on your shift
23		just but it was in the catheter, correct?
24	Α.	It, when I yes. When I found the Foley Catheter
25		bulb was broken, there was 275 ccs of urine in the

Page 89 1 baq. 2 MS. BURGESS: Was the, were the sheets wet? 3 Her sheets were not wet that I was aware of. Α. No. 4 MS. BURGESS: Okay. So after you searched high and 5 low, went to those other places, you said you 6 called Hospice? 7 Yes, ma'am. Α. MS. BURGESS: And who did you speak to? 8 9 Α. I don't know the name. I just left a message for 10 the on-call Hospice nurse. I didn't even know who 11 she was assigned to yet. I don't think they had a 12 particular nurse. 13 MS. BURGESS: Did you leave a message for her to 14 call you or him to call you or? 15 Α. Yes, ma'am. I left a message for her to call me back and if she could in the morning I'd let her 16 17 know about the Foley Catheter. If she could, first 18 thing in the morning as soon as she got that 19 message, if she could bring a Foley Catheter over 20 for M.W. 21 MS. BURGESS: And was that phone call made from the 22 facility? 23 That was made from the facility. Yes, ma'am. Α. 24 MS. BURGESS: So is there a phone call record of 25 that; do we know?

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1 MS. ANDINO: Not to our knowledge. 2 MS. BURGESS: Okay. And then you said the policy 3 or the procedure, whether it's written or 4 unwritten, is that when y'all are -- don't 5 have your supplies or, or you need something 6 from a supplier, a vendor, you fax over the 7 request? From what I understand, and that's from working at 8 Α. 9 all facilities. I would assume that they have the 10 same type of protocol, but I'm not sure. The only 11 thing that I would know is that there's got to be 12 something somewhere that we need a number for a 13 supplier, but again. 14 MS. BURGESS: And you had faxed them a request? 15 Had you done that at the other facilities within this whatever? 16 17 Α. Within the DDSN. 18 MS. BURGESS: Yeah. I've never had to. I've never had to go and 19 Α. No. look for supplies like that before. 20 21 MS. BURGESS: Okay. And when you faxed over -- no. 22 You didn't fax over; you called Hospice. 23 Never mind, excuse me. 24 Yes, ma'am. Α. 25 MS. BURGESS: And you said there is no policy or

Page 91 1 procedure manual on site that helps y'all or 2 quides y'all to take care of these kinds of incidents; is that correct? 3 4 Α. Not that I'm aware of. And if there is one, there 5 is an office that normally I believe the administrator is in. They have different people in 6 7 different roles in those houses. And supposedly nursing, we're supposed to like do, do our own 8 9 thing. But I know there's a lot of times I'll see in the other offices there are a lot of manuals and 10 11 all, but not in the nursing office. If it's in 12 there, there's no way that there's an easy access 13 to it that you can see that it's out. 14 MS. BURGESS: And your own agency did not supply 15 you with any procedure manual for you to review before you went and worked in these 16 17 facilities, or did they? 18 Α. Not that particular day. No, ma'am. 19 MS. BURGESS: No. I don't mean that day, I mean overall. 20 21 Overall, yes. I have, I've had a, a policy manual Α. 22 before. That was under Babcock, whenever they were 23 Babcock. 24 MS. BURGESS: But I'm talking about for this 25 facility. When your agency sent you out, did

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1		they supply you with a policy and a procedure
2		manual for whoever governs these facilities?
3		I don't know who it is, but.
4	A.	No, not no. They don't, they don't supply you.
5		Initially when you go to work for that particular
6		client, you have the opportunity to sit down with
7		whatever manual that the, that the client has
8		supplied to the agency.
9		MS. BURGESS: Right. That's what I'm asking you.
10	Α.	No. Fairfield, as far as I know, there wasn't
11		anything from Fairfield County.
12		MS. BURGESS: Okay. And then two more questions.
13	Α.	Yes, that's fine.
14		MS. BURGESS: And you said you recorded her vital
15		signs, but I don't see them in your notes. So
16		is there a temp sheet somewhere?
17	Α.	Hold on a second.
18		MS. BURGESS: Unless I'm just dumb and I can't see
19		it. I see where you put TMP every few hours
20		and PRN.
21	Α.	Turn and position.
22		MS. BURGESS: I guess that means temp and pulse.
23	Α.	No. That's turn and position. Hold on a second.
24		MS. BURGESS: Sorry.
25	Α.	No. That's okay.

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1		MS. BURGESS: Well, I don't see a vital sign
2		record.
3	Α.	No. There should've been a, there should've been a
4		flow sheet with vital signs on it. And that would
5		be part of the patient care.
б		MS. BURGESS: So there is one?
7	Α.	There should be. Yes. There should be a flow
8		sheet.
9		MS. BURGESS: And the pad count, where is that?
10	Α.	The pad count?
11		MS. BURGESS: Uh-huh.
12	Α.	I didn't do I didn't write the pad count on
13		here. At this time, the nurse by the time the
14		second nurse was coming in, she had voided and I
15		reported that to, to the nurse.
16		MS. BURGESS: So the patient did void after you
17		took the Foley out on your shift?
18	Α.	Yes, she did. In fact, I the last entry I have
19		on here is when I was coming to, to the end of this
20		incontinent care was rendered. And that's when I
21		changed her myself.
22		MS. BURGESS: I don't see that.
23		MS. SCAGLIONE: It's on the last line.
24	Α.	At the very, very last line. I changed
25		MS. BURGESS: I see it. Okay. I see it.

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1	Α.	Right. That's, that I, I changed her myself
2		that time. And then before I was leaving, the
3		personal care tech had let me know that she had
4		voided again.
5		MS. BURGESS: All right. Thanks, that's all my
6		questions.
7		MS. SCAGLIONE: Any other questions?
8		MS. BURGESS: No, ma'am.
9		MS. ANDINO: Are there any witnesses that you want
10		to call to testify on your behalf?
11	Α.	Tammy Walker, please. Thank you.
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13		Tammy Walker is duly sworn and cautioned to speak
14		the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but
15		the truth.
16		COURT REPORTER: Will you please state your full
17		name for the record?
18		WITNESS: Tammy Walker.
19		COURT REPORTER: Thank you.
20		MS. ANDINO: Since it's her witness, she can ask
21		any questions.
22		MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. Ms. Wolf?
23		MS. WOLF: Yes, ma'am.
24		MS. SCAGLIONE: Would you like to introduce your
25		witness to us?

Page 95 1 MS. WOLF: Yes. This is Tammy Walker. She is the 2 manager of the Statewide Nursing Solutions, 3 and she's my boss. 4 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. 5 EXAMINATION OF MS. WALKER BY MS. WOLF: 6 Tammy, you had called me after you'd received a 0. 7 phone call from the Wilson II home? 8 Α. Yes. 9 Q. And can you please explain to me what was said in 10 that phone call and who you spoke to? I talked to Susan, and I can't remember her 11 Α. Yes. 12 last name. But she just called and said that there 13 was a resident that had a Foley Catheter that was 14 broken and that wanted to know if I could get in 15 touch with you to find out why the Foley Catheter was not replaced. And that's when I called you and 16 17 -- do, do I need to explain? 18 Q. Did she say anything else on that phone call as to 19 my character or anything like that, or my work 20 performance or anything at all? 21 MS. ANDINO: Before you answer, I have to object that that's hearsay. 22 23 Oh, I'm sorry. Q. 24 MS. ANDINO: Just -- the witness can't testify to 25 anything that someone else said if they're not

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1		here.
2	Q.	Oh, okay.
3		MS. ANDINO: So you can frame your question just
4		knowledge that she has without having someone,
5		you know, stating what someone else said.
6	Q.	Okay. And when I spoke to you, I explained to you
7		that there wasn't another Foley Catheter for me to
8		replace; is that correct?
9	Α.	Right.
10	Q.	Okay. Did you know at that time that I would,
11		would be whether I'd be allowed to work at the
12		facility again or whether I would not be able to
13		work at the facility? Was there anything said to
14		you about whether I could come back to the facility
15		or what had happened?
16	Α.	Susan just said to me that they were not going to
17		report it to the State Board. That, you know, they
18		were just choosing to not have you back there to
19		work, that she had worked with you for many, many
20		years, but that and that you'd always done a
21		super job, but it was coming from someone else that
22		you couldn't come back.
23	Q.	Okay. That's pretty much all I have ask.
24		MS. ANDINO: I don't have any questions. Do you
25		guys have any questions?

1 EXAMINATION OF MS. WALKER BY THE BOARD: 2 MS. SIEGFRIED: I only have one. What was Darleen 3 Wolf's work record? With us? 4 Α. 5 MS. SIEGFRIED: Uh-huh. 6 Α. Has always been super. I think she's gotten in 7 trouble more times for being a stickler for the rules; never for not finishing something or not 8 9 doing something properly. There's been two 10 occasions that I remember quite distinctly to where 11 they didn't want her back because, when she was 12 questioned about doing something, she was like, No, 13 that's not what we're supposed to do. And my 14 license says that I'm supposed to do this, this, 15 and this. And that has always been -- we've always 16 been very careful where we place Darleen because of 17 her strong, you know, ethics and personality. 18 Because she is -- she has always been particular. 19 MS. BURGESS: I have one Madam Chair. 20 MS. SCAGLIONE: Okay. MS. BURGESS: One of the witnesses testified that 21 22 when they employ agency nurses they send 23 policies and procedures to the contracting 24 agency and that it -- that contracting agency 25 should review those policies with that nurse

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1 that you're sending out. Did y'all get such a
2 copy?

3 A. Huh-uh. Can I explain that?

MS. BURGESS: You sure can.

5 Α. When -- we used to do business with Wilson I and II 6 many years ago, and I asked -- when I called them 7 back -- we hadn't done business in years with them. And when we went this particular time, we, only a 8 9 couple of nurses went for just a little while. But 10 I offered to them for myself to come be oriented to 11 their rules and regulations, then provide me with 12 the training material so that we could go over it 13 with everyone that could come out in case they ever did get in a bind and didn't have time for them to 14 15 attend classes or whatever. And they said their new rule and regulation was that the nurses and the 16 17 techs were to come to a class out there, and that 18 they were actually scheduling classes and that they 19 would get them into the classes. But they did not 20 provide me with that information for them to review 21 this time as they had done many years ago. 22 MS. BURGESS: So they didn't provide you anything? 23 Huh-uh. Α. MS. BURGESS: To share with the nurses on, you 24

know, the particulars of that, of that

Page 99 1 facility? Policies, procedures, whatever? 2 And they told you that they would provide her 3 an orientation? 4 Α. Yes. 5 MS. BURGESS: Okay. Thank you. That's all I got. EXAMINATION OF MS. WALKER BY MS. ANDINO: 6 7 I actually have a question that I want to follow up Ο. on just for clarification. Have you always been 8 9 Statewide Nursing Services or were you guys under 10 another name? 11 Α. I used to work for two other agencies, but 12 Statewide Nursing is, you know, its own company. Ι used to work for Palmetto Referral Services and 13 14 Florence Nursing Services years ago. 15 Q. So you worked for -- when you say you worked for Florence Nursing Services, was that your agency or? 16 17 Huh-uh. I was a manager in their Florence office. Α. 18 Q. And you're manager at the Statewide Nursing? 19 I am. Α. 20 Q. Okay. Okay. Thank you. 21 Α. You're welcome. 22 MS. GREEN: Was it Statewide Nursing Solutions or 23 Statewide Nursing Services? Which? 24 Solutions. Α. 25 MS. GREEN: Solutions. That's what I thought.

Page 100 1 MS. ANDINO: I don't have any further questions. 2 MS. SCAGLIONE: Anyone else? 3 MS. BURGESS: No, ma'am. I'm good. Thank you so 4 much. MS. ANDINO: Yeah. We're not -- we haven't, we 5 6 haven't finished. You stay in here. We have 7 to close, close the hearing. The State waives its closing unless the Respondent wants to 8 9 make a closing statement. 10 MS. SCAGLIONE: Right. And she -- do you want to 11 make a closing statement, Darleen? 12 MS. WOLF: No, ma'am. Thank you. Thank you for 13 hearing what I had to say. 14 MS. GREEN: Madam Chairman, do you want to go into executive session? 15 16 MS. SCAGLIONE: Yes. Yes. 17 MS. BURGESS: Do I make a motion to do that? 18 MS. SCAGLIONE: We'd like to go into executive 19 session. 20 (Executive session from 12:13 p.m. to 12:20 p.m.) 21 MS. SCAGLIONE: Ms. Wolf, the basic recommendation is to dismiss this case. 22 23 MS. WOLF: Thank you. Thank you. MS. SCAGLIONE: And a, a, a report will be 24 25 presented to the full Board.

Page 101 MS. WOLF: Thank you so much. MS. SCAGLIONE: Nothing further. Thank you. (Whereupon, at 12:21 p.m., the proceeding in the above-entitled matter was concluded.) 

Page 102 1 STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA ) 2 CERTIFICATE ) 3 COUNTY OF LEXINGTON ) 4 Be it known that I, Jennifer S. Angooraj Professional 5 Verbatim Court Reporter and Notary Public in and for the 6 State of South Carolina, took the foregoing hearing at 10:18 a.m. on Tuesday, September 15, 2009; 7 That the foregoing 101 pages constitute a true and accurate transcription of the proceedings and all testimony 8 given at that time to the best of my skill and ability; 9 I further certify that I am not counsel or kin to any of the parties to this cause of action, nor am I interested in 10 any manner of its outcome. 11 In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal 12 this 24th day of September, 2009. 13 14 15 Jennifer S. Angooraj Notary Public for South Carolina 16 My commission expires January 4, 2010 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 This transcript may contain quoted material. Such material 24 is reproduced as read or quoted by the speaker.

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IN THE MATTER OF:

DARLEEN WOLF, L.P.N. License No. LPN.28694

WAIVER OF ATTORNEY

OIE # 2007-475

Respondent.

I, <u>Alf Darleen</u>, do hereby waive my right to have an attorney (Print Name)

represent me before the State Board of Nursing on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September of 2009.

I am freely, voluntarily, and knowingly waiving my right to an attorney in this proceeding.

Respondent

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IN THE MATTER OF:

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NOTICE OF HEARING

OIE # 2007-475

Respondent.

To: Ms. Darleen Wolf, Respondent

#### PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT:

 The hearing in the above-captioned matter has been scheduled for <u>September 15, 2009</u>, at 10:00 a.m.\* in Room 202-02, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina.

IF YOU DO NOT APPEAR AT THE HEARING, THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING WILL CONDUCT THE HEARING IN YOUR ABSENCE. AFTER CONDUCTING THE HEARING, THE BOARD MAY TAKE SUCH DISCIPLINARY ACTION AS IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE CHARGES DESCRIBED, AND AS IS ALLOWED BY LAW.

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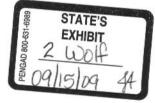
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NOTICE

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED AND <u>REQUIRED</u> to answer the Formal Complaint in this action, a copy of which is hereby served upon you; to file your Answer to said Formal Complaint with the Board of Nursing at Post Office Box 12367, Columbia, SC 29211-2367; and to serve a copy of your Answer to said Formal Complaint on the subscribed Attorney at Post Office Box 11329, Columbia, SC 29211-1329, within <u>thirty (30) days</u> after the service hereof, exclusive of the date of such service.

Respondent.

Failure to timely file your Answer in this matter may result in the allegations being admitted and a default judgment being rendered against you.

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION BOARD OF NURSING

Joan K. Bainer, MN, RN, NE BC

Joan K. Bainer, MN, RN, NE BC Board Administrator

June 9, 2009.

#### IN THE MATTER OF:

DARLEEN WOLF, L.P.N. License No. LPN.28694

FORMAL COMPLAINT

OIE # 2007-475

Respondent.

The South Carolina Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, alleges that:

I.

Respondent is a Licensed Practical Nurse duly licensed by the Board to practice in South Carolina and was so licensed at all times relevant to the matters asserted in this case. This Board has jurisdiction over Respondent and the subject matter of this action.

II.

The Board received an initial complaint and notification, as required by law, and investigated Respondent's conduct.

#### III.

Upon information and belief, Respondent has engaged in certain conduct that violates provisions of the South Carolina Nurse Practice Act (S.C. Code Ann. § 40-33-10, *et seq.* (1976, as amended)) and the Rules and Regulations of the Board, including the commission of the following acts:

A. That on or about November 5, 2007, while employed at Wilson I (Medically Fragile) CTH II in Blythewood, managed by Fairfield County Disabilities & Special Needs Board, Respondent failed to replace a broken Foley Catheter on patient M.W. Respondent worked the 4:00 PM to 12:00 AM shift and was informed of the location of a replacement, but failed to retrieve or replace the Foley Catheter. The Foley Catheter was not replaced until approximately 10 AM on November 6, 2007.

#### IV.

As a result of the acts of misconduct alleged above, Respondent has violated S.C. Code Ann. § 40-33-110(A)(3) (Supp. 2008), in the following particulars:

A. Respondent has violated S.C. Code Ann. § 40-33-110(A)(3) (Supp. 2008), in that she has willfully or repeatedly followed a course of conduct that, by reasonable

professional or ethical standards, renders the licensee incompetent to assume, perform, or be entrusted with the duties, responsibilities, or trusts which normally devolve upon a licensed nurse, as evidenced by Respondent's failure to replace a broken Foley Catheter on a patient under her care and supervision.

V.

**PURSUANT** to S.C. Code Ann. § 40-33-110 (1976, as amended), the Board has the authority to order the revocation or suspension of a license to practice nursing, publicly or privately reprimand the licensee, or take other reasonable action short of revocation or suspension, such as requiring the licensee to undertake additional professional training subject to the direction and supervision of the Board, or imposing restraints upon the practice of the licensee as circumstances warrant until the licensee demonstrates to the Board adequate professional competence. Additionally, the Board may require the licensee to pay a civil penalty of up to two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) to the Board for each violation, up to a total of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00).

THEREFORE, the Board will consider these allegations and make such disposition as may be appropriate. You may respond and present evidence and argument on all issues involved. You may appear alone or with legal counsel.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF NURSING

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BY:

JORELYN T. ANDINO Assistant General Counsel S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation Post Office Box 11329 Columbia, South Carolina 29211-1329

In the Matter of:

DARLENE WOLF, L.P.N. License No. 28694

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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Respondent.

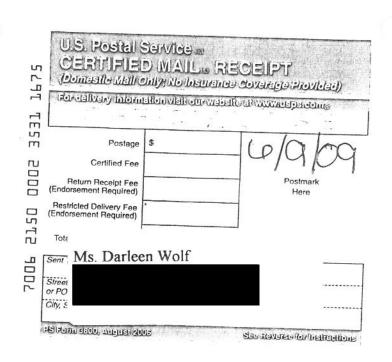
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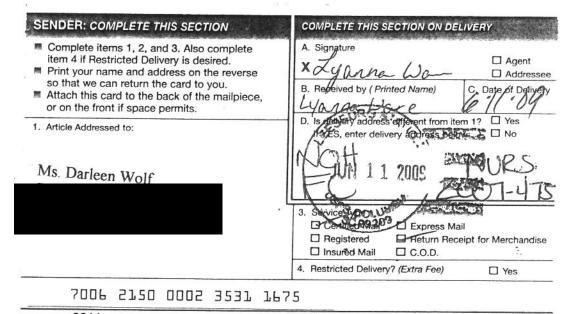
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IN THE MATTER OF:

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License No. APN.1285

#### <u>NOTICE OF</u> FINAL ORDER HEARING

OIE # 2009-286

Respondent.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the State Board of Nursing will consider the <u>Memorandum of Agreement</u> in the above matter. YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO APPEAR on <u>March 25, 2010</u>, at 1:00 PM\* in Room 108, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina. The Memorandum of Agreement, together with the exhibits in evidence, has been filed with the Administrator of the Board.

FURTHER, the Board will consider the Memorandum of Agreement for the purpose of determining its action thereon.

FURTHER, Respondent shall appear and, under oath, answer questions, if any, by members of the Board or its counsel, and shall be subject to cross-examination regarding this matter. The Board may pose questions and request documents with regard to the complaint. Respondent and/or Respondent's counsel may present mitigating testimony and other evidence to the Board regarding an appropriate sanction in this matter. The Board will issue a Final Order based on the Agreement and on the information provided at the hearing.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF:

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# Respondent.

MEMORA

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AND STIPULATIONS

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Board of Nursing (hereinafter "the Board") has received an initial complaint with respect to Robert L. Steck, Advanced Practice Registered Nurse; and

WHEREAS, Respondent, admitting the allegations, has advised that he wishes to waive formal hearing procedures and dispose of this matter pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 1-23-320(f) (1976, as amended), in lieu of, *inter alia*, a hearing before a hearing officer or panel appointed by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Respondent will participate in a Final Order Hearing pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 40-1-10 *et seq.* (1976, as amended) at such time as the Board shall require for the purpose of determining an appropriate sanction.

THEREFORE, RESPONDENT STIPULATES AND ADMITS to the following facts, along with the exhibits and other material referenced herein, to be considered by the Board in determining an appropriate sanction in connection with the disciplinary matter pending against Respondent:

- 1. That Respondent is an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse duly licensed by the Board to practice in South Carolina, was so licensed at all times relevant to the matters asserted in this case, and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Board.
- 2. That on March 18, 2008, while employed as a CRNA at Carolina Plastic Surgery in Spartanburg, S.C., Respondent administered a general anesthetic with IV medications to a patient, without confirming that the patient's physician was in the office to provide proper supervision. Respondent contends that his actions were not intentional but that he thought the physician was in the building and that a breakdown in communication prevented him and the rest of the staff from knowing that the physician had left the office. In addition, Respondent contends that there were other physicians in the office who could have provided assistance if needed.

**RESPONDENT ADMITS** that the aforementioned acts of Respondent present grounds that constitute misconduct, as alleged. Respondent further admits that as a result of the previous admissions herein, Respondent has violated S.C. Code Ann. § 40-1-110(f) (1976, as amended).

**RESPONDENT AGREES** that at the Final Order Hearing Respondent shall appear and, under oath, answer questions, if any, by members of the Board or its counsel, and be subject to cross-examination regarding this matter and Respondent's practice. Respondent's answers may be considered by the Board in rendering its decision. Respondent may present mitigating testimony and other evidence to the Board regarding an appropriate sanction in this matter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, having agreed to the matters related above, have executed this Memorandum of Agreement and Stipulations, to be effective the latter date appearing below.

AND IT IS SO AGREED.

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RÓBERT L. STECK, APRN RESPONDENT

WITNESS or ATTORNEY

JOCKLYND. ANDINO Assistant General Counsel S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation P.O. Box 11329 Columbia, SC 29211-1329

In the Matter of:

ROBERT L. STECK, A.P.R.N. License No. 1285

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

OIE #2009-286

Respondent.

I hereby certify that I have this day caused to be served the within Notice of Final Order Hearing and a copy of the Memorandum of Agreement upon the person hereafter named, by placing the same in an envelope, securely wrapped, in the United States Mail, certified mail, return receipt requested, properly addressed to the said person hereafter named, at the place and address stated below, which is the last known address for the same:

> Mr. William C. McDow Richardson Plowden Robinson, P.A. P.O. Box 7788 Columbia, SC 29202

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SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION

Krystal J McFadden Administrative Assistant LLR-Office of General Counsel Post Office Box 11329 Columbia SC 29211 1329

#### IN THE MATTER OF:

#### ADAM CHRISTOPHER NEWELL, R.N. License No. RN.97670

#### NOTICE OF **FINAL ORDER HEARING**

OIE # 2008-67

Respondent.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the State Board of Nursing will consider the Memorandum of Agreement in the above matter. YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO APPEAR on March 25, 2010, at 1:30 PM\* in Room 108, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina. The Memorandum of Agreement, together with the exhibits in evidence, has been filed with the Administrator of the Board.

FURTHER, the Board will consider the Memorandum of Agreement for the purpose of determining its action thereon.

FURTHER, Respondent shall appear and, under oath, answer questions, if any, by members of the Board or its counsel, and shall be subject to cross-examination regarding this matter. The Board may pose questions and request documents with regard to the complaint. Respondent and/or Respondent's counsel may present mitigating testimony and other evidence to the Board regarding an appropriate sanction in this matter. The Board will issue a Final Order based on the Agreement and on the information provided at the hearing.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Jocelyn T, Andino Assistant General Counsel LLR - Office of General Counsel Post Office Box 11329 Columbia, SC 29211-1329 (803) 896-4581

Columbia, South Carolina

02/18/10

\*Hearing times are subject to change

In the Matter of:

ADAM CHRISTOPHER NEWELL, R.N., License No. 97670

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

OE 2008-67

Respondent.

I hereby certify that I have this day caused to be served the within Notice of Final Order Hearing and a copy of the Memorandum of Agreement and Stipulations upon the person hereafter named, by placing the same in an envelope, securely wrapped, in the United States Mail, regular first class mail, properly addressed to the said person hereafter named, at the place and address stated below, which is the last known address for the same:

> Ms. Desa Ballard 226 State Street West Columbia, SC 29169

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#### IN THE MATTER OF:

#### ADAM CHRISTOPHER NEWELL, R.N. License No. RN.97670

#### MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AND STIPULATIONS

OIE # 2008-67

Respondent.

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Board of Nursing (hereinafter "the Board") has received an initial complaint with respect to Adam C. Newell, Registered Nurse; and

WHEREAS, Respondent, admitting the allegations, has advised that he wishes to waive formal hearing procedures and dispose of this matter pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 1-23-320(f) (1976, as amended), in lieu of, *inter alia*, a hearing before a hearing officer or panel appointed by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Respondent will participate in a Final Order Hearing pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 40-1-10 *et seq*. (1976, as amended) at such time as the Board shall require for the purpose of determining an appropriate sanction.

THEREFORE, RESPONDENT STIPULATES AND ADMITS to the following facts, along with the exhibits and other material referenced herein, to be considered by the Board in determining an appropriate sanction in connection with the disciplinary matter pending against Respondent:

- 1. That Respondent is a Registered Nurse duly licensed by the Board to practice in South Carolina, was so licensed at all times relevant to the matters asserted in this case, and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Board.
- 2. That on January 14, 2008, while working the 7 PM to 7 AM shift on the SICU at Roper Hospital, in Charleston, S.C., Respondent failed to document patient assessment and condition changes for the two patients assigned to him. In addition, Respondent failed to notify the attending physician of condition changes for those patients. One patient was in respiratory distress and the other patient had low urine output.

**RESPONDENT ADMITS** that the aforementioned acts of Respondent present grounds that constitute misconduct, as alleged. Respondent further admits that as a result of the previous admissions herein, Respondent has violated S.C. Code Ann. §§ 40-33-110(A)(18) and 40-1-110(f) (1976, as amended).

**RESPONDENT AGREES** that at the Final Order Hearing Respondent shall appear and. under oath, answer questions, if any, by members of the Board or its counsel, and be subject to cross-examination regarding this matter and Respondent's practice. Respondent's answers may be considered by the Board in rendering its decision. Respondent may present mitigating testimony and other evidence to the Board regarding an **appropriate sanction** in this matter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, having agreed to the matters related above, have executed this Memorandum of Agreement and Stipulations, to be effective the latter date appearing below.

AND IT IS SO AGREED.

October, 25, 2009

ADAM CHRISTOPHER NEWELL, R.N.

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UTNESS or ATTORNEY

JOCELYN P ANDINO Assistant General Counsel S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation P.O. Box 11329 Columbia, SC 29211-1329

IN THE MATTER OF:

GINGER L. GALLOWAY, R.N. License No. RN.39336

OGC # 05-0075 OIE # 2003-136

#### <u>NOTICE OF</u> <u>FINAL ORDER HEARING</u>

Respondent.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the State Board of Nursing will consider the <u>Memorandum of Agreement</u> in the above matter. YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO APPEAR on <u>March 25, 2010</u>, at 2:00 PM\* in Room 108, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina. The Memorandum of Agreement, together with the exhibits in evidence, has been filed with the Administrator of the Board.

FURTHER, the Board will consider the Memorandum of Agreement for the purpose of determining its action thereon.

FURTHER, Respondent shall appear and, under oath, answer questions, if any, by members of the Board or its counsel, and shall be subject to cross-examination regarding this matter. The Board may pose questions and request documents with regard to the complaint. Respondent and/or Respondent's counsel may present mitigating testimony and other evidence to the Board regarding an appropriate sanction in this matter. The Board will issue a Final Order based on the Agreement and on the information provided at the hearing.

### SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF:

GINGER L. GALLOWAY, R.N. License No. RN.39336

OGC # 05-0075 OIE # 2003-136 MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AND STIPULATIONS

Respondent.

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Board of Nursing (hereinafter "the Board") has received an initial complaint with respect to Ginger L. Galloway, Respondent; and

WHEREAS, a Complaint has been served and filed, alleging that Respondent has violated S.C. Code Ann. § 40-33-5, *et seq.* (1976, as amended) and the Rules and Regulations of the South Carolina Board of Nursing. A copy of the Complaint, dated June 17, 2009, is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit 1.

WHEREAS, Respondent, admitting the allegations, has advised that she wishes to waive formal hearing procedures and dispose of this matter pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 1-23-320(f) (1976, as amended), in lieu of, *inter alia*, a hearing before a hearing officer or panel appointed by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Respondent will participate in a Final Order Hearing pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 40-1-10 *et seq.* (1976, as amended) at such time as the Board shall require for the purpose of determining an appropriate sanction.

THEREFORE, RESPONDENT STIPULATES AND ADMITS to the following facts, along with the exhibits and other material referenced herein, to be considered by the Board in determining an appropriate sanction in connection with the disciplinary matter pending against Respondent:

- 1. That Respondent is a Registered Nurse duly licensed by the Board to practice in South Carolina, was so licensed at all times relevant to the matters asserted in this case, and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Board.
- 2. That on or about March 11, 2003, Respondent tested positive for cocaine on a courtordered hair follicle test. A copy of the Laboratory Results is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit 2.
- 3. That on or about June 11, 2003, Respondent entered into Intensive Outpatient Treatment (IOP) at the Dawn Center in Orangeburg, S.C. She was diagnosed with

Cocaine Dependence. On July 10, 2003, Respondent was discharged as being in early full remission.

**RESPONDENT ADMITS** that the aforementioned acts of Respondent present grounds that constitute misconduct, as alleged.

**RESPONDENT AGREES** that at the Final Order Hearing Respondent shall appear and, under oath, answer questions, if any, by members of the Board or its counsel, and be subject to cross-examination regarding this matter and Respondent's practice. Respondent's answers may be considered by the Board in rendering its decision. Respondent may present mitigating testimony and other evidence to the Board regarding an appropriate sanction in this matter.

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AND IT IS SO AGREED.

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JOCELYN T. ANDINO Assistant General Counsel S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation P.O. Box 11329 Columbia, SC 29211-1329

IN THE MATTER OF:

GINGER L. GALLOWAY, R.N. License No. RN.39336

### FORMAL COMPLAINT

OGC # 05-0075 OIE # 2003-136

Respondent.

The South Carolina Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, alleges that:

Ι.

Respondent is a Registered Nurse duly licensed by the Board to practice in South Carolina and was so licensed at all times relevant to the matters asserted in this case. This Board has jurisdiction over Respondent and the subject matter of this action.

11.

The Board received an initial complaint and notification, as required by law, and investigated Respondent's conduct.

III.

Upon information and belief, Respondent has engaged in certain conduct that violates provisions of the South Carolina Nurse Practice Act (S.C. Code Ann. § 40-33-10, *et seq.* (1976, as amended)) and the Rules and Regulations of the Board, including the commission of the following acts:

- A. That on or about March 11, 2003, Respondent tested positive for cocaine on a courtordered hair follicle test.
- B. That on or about June 11, 2003, Respondent entered into Intensive Outpatient Treatment (IOP) at the Dawn Center in Orangeburg, S.C. She was diagnosed with Cocaine Dependence. On July 10, 2003, Respondent was discharged as being in early full remission.

IV.

As a result of the acts of misconduct alleged above, Respondent has violated S.C. Code Ann. § 40-33-110(A)(1) and 40-1-110(f) (1976, as amended), in the following particulars:

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- A. Respondent has violated § 40-33-110(A)(1) (1976, as amended), in that she has violated a federal, state, or local law involving alcohol or drugs or committed an act involving a crime of moral turpitude, as evidenced by Respondent testing positive for cocaine.
- B. Respondent has violated § 40-1-110(f) (1976, as amended), in that has committed a dishonorable, unethical, or unprofessional act that is likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public, as evidenced by her positive test for cocaine.

V.

PURSUANT to S.C. Code Ann. § 40-33-110 (1976, as amended), the Board has the authority to order the revocation or suspension of a license to practice nursing, publicly or privately reprimand the licensee, or take other reasonable action short of revocation or suspension, such as requiring the licensee to undertake additional professional training subject to the direction and supervision of the Board, or imposing restraints upon the practice of the licensee as circumstances warrant until the licensee demonstrates to the Board adequate professional competence. Additionally, the Board may require the licensee to pay a civil penalty of up to two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) to the Board for each violation, up to a total of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00).

THEREFORE, the Board will consider these allegations and make such disposition as may be appropriate. You may respond and present evidence and argument on all issues involved. You may appear alone or with legal counsel.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF NURSING

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BY:

JOCELYN T. ANDINO Assistant General Counsel S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation Post Office Box 11329 Columbia, South Carolina 29211-1329 )nest Diagnostics Incorporated

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Phencyclidine (PCP)	300/300 pg/mg

If a drug was reported negative, it means that either no drug was detected, or if a drug was detected, it was present at a concentration less than the laboratory's established cutoff level.



# Respondent's Statement & Letters of Support

To: The State Board of Nursing of South Carolina Re: Ginger Galloway RN License No. RN 39336 OGC # 05-0075 OIE # 2003-136

As a Professional, Accountable Registered Nurse I have fulfilled my obligations of rehabilitation by the following:

- 1) Completion of an Intensive 5 day per week outpatient Treatment at the Dawn Center in Orangeburg, SC.
- 2) Completion of an aftercare program at the Dawn Center 3 nights per week 7/03-12/03
- 3) Weekly AA /NA meetings with regular attendance
- 4) Medical Care Supervision by Dr. William Circler for ADHD/depression and med compliance
- 5) Regular Scheduled Psychotherapy with Dr. Nicholas Lind at Post Trauma Resources 05-06
- 6) Random negative urine drug screens that were done from 2003-to present- Will present at Board Meeting
- 7) Included professional references from persons knowing and or working with me at the time of the complaint
- Commitment to Professionalism by leadership supervision in several roles from 2003-2008. Most recent was Patient Care Coordinator at Advantage Hospice. Supervised staff of 20 staff to include nurses certified nursing assistants, chaplains, social workers and volunteers as well as administrative staff.
- 9) Actively volunteers to sponsor new AA/NA fellows. Would consider volunteer With the SC Recovering Professional Program

The essence of the healing arts is to save, rehabilitate and restore those who are ill to good health. I feel that nurses deserve the same as their patients from their brothers and sisters in the profession. If I can give back in some way to a nurse that is burdened with the disease of dependency, I would like very much to do that.

I would ask the board that because this complaint has been since 2003 and has been signed and submitted to three different board lawyers on 3 separate occasions, I would respectfully ask that I not be publicly reprimanded.

Sincerely, Hinger Galloway

To: The South Carolina State Board of Nursing Re: Ginger Galloway RN License # 39336

I am writing on behalf of Ginger Galloway RN. She has been employed at Ascension Hospice since April 2004. Ginger provided to me information regarding the formal complaint stemming from a call from her very vindictive husband about her positive hair follicle test.

Since being employed here, Ginger has been an outstanding leader and preceptor. She has never come to work appearing to be under the influence of any medication or alcohol. I personally know that she attends regular AA meetings. There have never been any complaints from patients or families regarding care or medications. Ginger's compassion and knowledge of end of life issues are what keep patients calling wanting her as their nurse.

She has been admission nurse. Being able to change direction at any point in the day she has independently covered more than 200 miles in 1 day. She volunteers for extra call and does not require supervision in the field.

She has been under regular medical care by Dr. William Crigler. She has always been prompt in coming to the office when called. She has had one urine drug screen which was negative.

She holds regular inservices for the staff. She attracted the Orangeburg Area Medical Director and was team leader for that county as well as Calhoun County. She supervised 3 nurses and 5 CNASincerely, staff as well as 1 chaplain and a social worker.

I would say that she shows her rehabilitation on a daily basis. She has on 2 known occasions spoke with an applicant who has known drug dependency issues and has given her support. I feel she is a competent nurse that practices nursing with high regard to ethics, morals, and professional standards. Her professional conduct as well as her compassionate bedside manner helps to show that she is unlikely to ever commit any violation of the Nurse Practice Act again.

Sincerely, Mary J. Williams RAC

Mary F. Williams, RNC DON Ascension Hospice

September 23, 2009

South Carolina Board of Nursing Synergy Business Park Kingstree Bldg 110 Centerview Dr., Suite 202 Columbia, SC 29210

To Whom It May Concern:

Ginger Galloway has been working as an RN for Senior Primary Care Practice- Parkridge since October 2008. She functions well as a clinical nurse caring for patients and their needs during their office visits. She also handles phone triage, Home Health concerns, follow up labs/testing, etc, for our patients. Her documentation is clear and professional. She provides valuable information when discussing patient concern/problems with staff and physicians. She continues to be a good team member for our office.

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Esther Axson Nurse Manager SPCP-Parkridge 190 Parkridge Dr., Suite G-100 Columbia, SC 29212

September 24, 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

I confirm that Ginger and I worked together for Advantage Hospice and HomeCare for approximately one and a half years. I enjoyed working with her rather than any other coworker I have had the pleasure of working with. She is very compassionate and caring. Ginger continued to impress me with her quick thinking and great problem solving when it comes to pain management for hospice patients. She is very good communicating with patients and can bring a sense of calmness to the worst situation. She is team oriented which makes her an excellent employee in the medical field. Throughout the time I worked with Ginger I learned many things about hospice. I learned about end of life care and truly enjoyed working with her and becoming friends with her. She is a determined, compassionate person and would be an asset in any aspect in the medical field. I'm happy to provide further information if required. You may call me at 803-807-1238 should you have any questions.

Sincerely, Jeligie & Goudelock

Georgia L. Goudelock

#### To Whom it May Concern,

My name is Eunice Denise Sims RN, BSN CLNC. I am writing to assist Ms. Ginger Galloway RN, in her attempt to show proof of her competency. I have know Ms. Galloway in a professional and personal capacity. Ms. Galloway in a professional capacity is the type of nurse you would enjoy having on your team. Ms. Galloway is very trust worthy ,faithful, and competent in her role as a professional nurse. Ms. Galloway was my preceptor, when I became involved in hospice. She made the transition for me from a hospital critical care nurse, into a community and family oriented hospice nurse. Ms. Galloway, has a very good repore with her Clients and families. She is the type of nurse that is willing to teach and at the same time can be taught when the situation arises. She, is the type of nurse who works long hours and will go that extra mile when the next nurse is unable to fill the need. Ms. Galloway, is always the nurse who will make the best of what the situation is and move forward, and be successful at her intended goals. In the best description, she is a true leader and a positive role model for the nurses, clients and families she has the privilege to reach out and touch everyday. In closing, I would like to add, that it is a great pleasure and honor to be able to work with such a nurse, and to know when there is a need for help or guidance, on a professional or personal level, she is a good choice; because she can separate professional from personal and help get to the goal at hand.

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Eunice Denise Sims RN BSN CLNC

## Eau Claire Baptist Church

4427 MAIN STREET • COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29203 • (803) 786-7769

September 20, 2007

Advantage Hospice 3955 Southeastern Way, Suite 1A West Columbia, SC 29169

To All Staff Members,

I have been working with several of your employees over the past few months. As pastor of an elderly congregation, I am constantly dealing with illness, pain, and dying. We have lost forty-one church members in the past four years. I visit in all the area hospitals and have worked alongside several of the area hospice groups. I am very well acquainted with most of the ins and outs of patient care.

Advantage Hospice has by far been the best hospice unit with which I have worked. Each of you has been patient, caring and attentive to the members of our church under your care. Over the past few weeks we have been dealing with the illness and subsequent death of Mr. A. V. Lee. Your staff was superb in meeting the needs of his entire family. I observed them as they made their initial consultation, then his ambulatory care, later his confinement to bed, and the death call on September 18, 2007.

I can't remember all the names, but as Mr. Lee's pastor, I want to personally thank Heather Liafsha, Ginger Galloway, Latrell Hill, Georgia Goudelock and those behind the scene I haven't met. Your gentle, patient and professional spirits were deeply appreciated by the family. They have said many times how thankful they were to Advantage Hospice.

Always in Love,

Pev. James Goudelock, Pastor Eau Claire Baptist Church 4427 North Main Street Columbia, SC 29203 803.786.7769

March 12, 2006

To Whom It May Concern:

I am an ordained Lutheran minister, now retired after 30 years as a parish pastor. I am employed part time with Ascension Hospice. I have known Ms. Ginger Galloway for more than 18 months in my capacity as Chaplain. As part of our respective work roles, we have from 2-3 contacts per week.

Ms.Galloway has been extremely sensitive to patients' needs for spiritual assessment and support. She has made frequent referrals of patients for Chaplaincy contacts. In situations of death, Ms. Galloway has facilitated families' grief work as she affirmed their need for prayers and times of remembrance. At the time of death, I can depend upon her immediate call for the presence of the Chaplain as she recognizes this as a vital part of the Hospice role in their lives. In all instances she has conducted herself in a most professional as well as compassionate manner with patients, their caregivers, and other staff.

With Hospice staff she emphasizes the importance of care for the patients and families. She has done much of the orientation of new staff. She has repeatedly proven affirming of the Chaplain's ministries as she introduced me to new staff and shares with them the importance of my work in the lives of those entrusted to our care.

In all observations of her work and in my contacts with her. Ms.Galloway has proven to be responsible and dedicated. She frequently gives of herself above and beyond what is required or expected. It has been a blessing and a privilege to have her as a partner in this ministry to our community.

Sincerely.

The Rev. Al Potter, M.Div. Chaplain

(803) 238-0917 1135 Seagull Lane Prosperity, SC 29127 March 20, 2005

To Whom It May Concern:

I have known Ginger Galloway since the mid part of last year, approximately September 2004. In that time I saw Ginger at least two times a week and sometimes more. She was working through Ascension Hospice in taking care of my mother-in-law. Ginger was always very pleasant and cheerful. Never once did I see any negative or worrisome actions from her. Ginger was always very "together" emotionally and with her work. We spoke on several occasions about her situation at home. She was always stable in her emotions and never once did I detect any bitterness or hostility from her concerning this situation. She was a very positive influence in my home, not only in taking care of my mother-in-law but she also became a friend to my children and to myself and my husband.

If you need any further information from me or would like to speak with me please feel free to contact me at 732-4759.

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Lisa G. Hobb

Feb1, 2005

Ladies and Gentlemen of the State Board of Nursing of South Carolina,

Ginger Galloway RN has been my Private Duty Registered Nurse provided by my insurance company on a daily basis, 7 days a week since my near death accident in June 2003.

She has played multiple roles in my care. Not only has she provided all the direct medical care including dressing changes, medication, physical therapy, prosthesis training, transportation to and from the MD, she has brought me back together with my estranged family something I thought would never occur. Ginger has been that miracle.

Through my depression and having no will to live at times, she continuously motivated me, educated me and held me accountable for my recovery. During this time, Ginger was going through what most people would say a divorce out of the movies. Her ex husband constantly threatened her, refused her visitation with her child and financially broke this nurse. Still she remained upbeat, not turning to substances for answers, but turning to God for them.

She is honest. I trusted her with my drugs, mostly narcotics, never missing any. I trusted her with my banking and it was always balanced and accounted for. She regularly attends AA meetings and I went with her to one in Orangeburg. She has a sponsor and talks to her regularly.

I feel that Ginger would not ever harm a patient and her one mistake that she made has made her a better person and nurse. Ginger tries to make something positive out of what most people would say just couldn't be done. Accepting responsibility for her actions and making corrections by rehabilitative means and adhering to those means shows her professional commitment, integrity and love of her profession and her RN license that she worked so very hard to obtain.

Respectfully,

Garry Creech, Irauma Patient 203 Whetstone Rd Swansea, SC

#### WEEKEND RECOVERY JOURNAL

## FRIDAY RECOVERY PLAN

1. I will attend \_\_\_\_\_\_ AA/NA Meetings today at \_\_\_\_\_\_ a.m. or p.m.

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3. My meditation/spiritual practice will include: <u>Aladen g my Sabbath</u> <u>School Leson for Sat</u>

4. For leisure or fun activities I will wash my car

- 5. I will build or use my support system for recovery today by <u>Calling 3</u> — pupple on my list
- ----6. -- If I think about using today I will yoray, go to a meeting and Call someone on my dist.

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## SATURDAY RECOVERY PLAN

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TESTER: Kira Greatheart-MA-CPC

TESTING INSTITUTION: RANDOM DRUG SCREENS, INC.

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#### SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION BEFORE THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of:

GINGER L. GALLOWAY, R.N. License No. 39336

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 

OIE #2003-136

Respondent.

I hereby certify that I have this day caused to be served the within Notice of Final Order Hearing, a copy of your litigating evidence, and a copy of Memorandum of Agreement and Stipulations upon the person hereafter named, by placing the same in an envelope, securely wrapped, in the United States Mail, certified mail, return receipt requested, properly addressed to the said person hereafter named, at the place and address stated below, which is the last known address for the same:

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#### SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION BEFORE THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF:

STEPHAN C. DREW, L.P.N. License No. LPN.24872

#### <u>NOTICE OF</u> FINAL ORDER HEARING

OIE # 2008-571

Respondent.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the State Board of Nursing will consider the <u>Memorandum of Agreement</u> in the above matter. YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO APPEAR on <u>March 25, 2010</u>, at 2:30 PM\* in Room 108, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina. The Memorandum of Agreement, together with the exhibits in evidence, has been filed with the Administrator of the Board.

FURTHER, the Board will consider the Memorandum of Agreement for the purpose of determining its action thereon.

FURTHER, Respondent shall appear and, under oath, answer questions, if any, by members of the Board or its counsel, and shall be subject to cross-examination regarding this matter. The Board may pose questions and request documents with regard to the complaint. Respondent and/or Respondent's counsel may present mitigating testimony and other evidence to the Board regarding an appropriate sanction in this matter. The Board will issue a Final Order based on the Agreement and on the information provided at the hearing.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Jocelyn T. Andino Assistant General Counsel LLR - Office of General Counsel Post Office Box 11329 Columbia, SC 29211-1329 (803) 896-4581

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#### SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF:

STEPHAN C. DREW, L.P.N. License No. LPN.24872

OIE # 2008-571

#### MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AND STIPULATIONS

Respondent.

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Board of Nursing (hereinafter "the Board") has received an initial complaint with respect to Stephan C. Drew, Licensed Practical Nurse; and

WHEREAS, Respondent, admitting the allegations, has advised that he wishes to waive formal hearing procedures and dispose of this matter pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 1-23-320(f) (1976, as amended), in lieu of, *inter alia*, a hearing before a hearing officer or panel appointed by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Respondent will participate in a Final Order Hearing pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 40-1-10 *et seq*. (1976, as amended) at such time as the Board shall require for the purpose of determining an appropriate sanction.

THEREFORE, RESPONDENT STIPULATES AND ADMITS to the following facts, along with the exhibits and other material referenced herein, to be considered by the Board in determining an appropriate sanction in connection with the disciplinary matter pending against Respondent:

- 1. That Respondent is a Licensed Practical Nurse duly licensed by the Board to practice in South Carolina, was so licensed at all times relevant to the matters asserted in this case, and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Board.
- 2. That on or about April 25, 2007, while employed at Thad E. Saleeby Development Center, in Hartsville, South Carolina, Respondent administered a heated milk & molasses enema to patient R.W., which was too hot and caused severe burning to patient R.W.'s rectal and buttocks area and required hospitalization. Respondent further admits that he heated the enema in the microwave and checked the temperature with his bare finger and not a thermometer, both of which were against policy. As a result, Respondent was terminated.

**RESPONDENT ADMITS** that the aforementioned acts of Respondent present grounds that constitute misconduct, as alleged.

**RESPONDENT AGREES** that at the Final Order Hearing Respondent shall appear and, under oath, answer questions, if any, by members of the Board or its counsel, and be subject to cross-examination regarding this matter and Respondent's practice. Respondent's answers may be considered by the Board in rendering its decision. Respondent may present mitigating testimony and other evidence to the Board regarding an **appropriate sanction** in this matter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, having agreed to the matters related above, have executed this Memorandum of Agreement and Stipulations, to be effective the latter date appearing below.

AND IT IS SO AGREED.

October 14 ,2009

Stephen L. Loper

STEPHAN C. DREW, L.P.N. RESPONDENT

October 22 . 2009

WITNESS or ATTORNEY

JOCELYN/T. ÄNDINO Assistant General Counsel S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation P.O. Box 11329 Columbia, SC 29211-1329

#### SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of:

STEPHEN C. DREW, L.P.N., License No. 24872

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

OIE 2008-571 Respondent.

I hereby certify that I have this day caused to be served the within Notice of Final Order Hearing upon the person hereafter named, by placing the same in an envelope, securely wrapped, in the United States Mail, certified mail, return receipt requested and by regular first class mail, properly addressed to the said person hereafter named, at the place and address stated below, which is the last known address for the same:

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#### SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION BEFORE THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF:

MARTHA J. KIRBY, R.N.

License No. RN.17077

#### <u>NOTICE OF</u> FINAL ORDER HEARING

OIE # 2009-157

Respondent.

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:

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#### SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF NURSING

#### IN THE MATTER OF:

MARTHA J. KIRBY, R.N. License No. RN.17077

#### MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AND STIPULATIONS

OIE # 2009-157

Respondent.

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Board of Nursing (hereinafter "the Board") has received an initial complaint with respect to Martha J. Kirby, Respondent; and

WHEREAS, Respondent, admitting the allegations as set forth below, has advised that she wishes to waive formal hearing procedures and dispose of this matter pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 1-23-320(f) (1976, as amended), in lieu of, *inter alia*, a hearing before a hearing officer or panel appointed by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Respondent will participate in a Final Order Hearing pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 40-1-10 *et seq.* (1976, as amended) at such time as the Board shall require for the purpose of determining an appropriate sanction.

**THEREFORE, RESPONDENT STIPULATES AND ADMITS** to the following facts, along with the exhibits and other material referenced herein, to be considered by the Board in determining an appropriate sanction in connection with the disciplinary matter pending against Respondent:

- 1. That Respondent is a Registered Nurse duly licensed by the Board to practice in South Carolina, was so licensed at all times relevant to the matters asserted in this case, and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Board.
- 2. That on or about March 1, 2009, while employed as a RN Supervisor at Inman Healthcare in Inman, S.C., Respondent failed to accurately document a change in Resident R.G.'s condition, highly suggestive of a stroke. Said Resident had a medical history consistent with high risk for stroke. Resident R.G. was later sent to the hospital where she was found to have had a stroke. As a result, Respondent's employment was terminated.
- 3. Respondent contends that she assessed Resident at the time she was made aware of Resident's change in condition, by checking Resident's hand strength, pupils, and leg strength. In addition, Respondent contends that she reviewed Resident's chart and prior history, which did not reveal any prior notes on Resident's change in condition. Respondent also contends that she returned to observe Resident at two other times, and asked staff to monitor Resident, prior to deciding to contact the on-call physician.

who did not give orders to transport Resident to hospital but only ordered to have Resident monitored for increased signs of weakness and to run labs in the morning.

4. Respondent further contends that she reported Resident's change in condition to the oncoming nurse and contacted the resident's family to inform them of the resident's change in condition. In addition, Respondent contends that she attempted to make a late entry in Resident's chart the next morning, but the chart was not available in the facility.

**RESPONDENT ADMITS** that the aforementioned acts of Respondent present grounds that constitute misconduct. Respondent further admits that as a result of the previous admissions herein, Respondent has violated S.C. Code Ann. § 40-33-110(A)(16) and (18) (1976, as amended).

**RESPONDENT AGREES** that at the Final Order Hearing Respondent shall appear and, under oath, answer questions, if any, by members of the Board or its counsel, and be subject to cross-examination regarding this matter and Respondent's practice. Respondent's answers may be considered by the Board in rendering its decision. Respondent may present mitigating testimony and other evidence to the Board regarding an appropriate sanction in this matter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, having agreed to the matters related above, have executed this Memorandum of Agreement and Stipulations, to be effective the latter date appearing below.

#### AND IT IS SO AGREED.

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December 29, 2009

WITNESS or ATTORNE

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## CHARACTER REFERENCE LETTERS



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South Carolina State Board of Nursing Department of Labor, Licensing, & Regulation Post Office Box 11329 Columbia, South Carolina 29211-1329

Re: Martha J. Kirby, R.N. License # RN.17077

To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter of character reference for Martha Kirby, R.N.. This letter will be both on a personal and professional level. I have known Martha since March of 2004 when came to work at Magnolia Manor, Inman. She was a charge nurse during this time. My relationship with Martha includes being her Assistant Director of Nursing and her Director of Nursing. During these years, Martha was an exemplary team member to the facility. I have seen her go above and beyond to help residents and their families. My mother was a resident for several months with Martha being assigned to be her charge nurse. I could not have asked for more compassionate, professional care. Her nursing care and documentation was always thorough and timely.

I left Magnolia Manor, Inman in 2008 and worked at Woodruff Manor as Assistant Director of Nursing for approximately six months. During that time, many of the employees at Woodruff would ask me if I knew Martha, as Martha had worked at Woodruff before coming to Magnolia Manor, Inman. The staff that inquired about her had only good comments about her work ethic and compassion. I then took a position at RoseCrest Retirement Community as the Director of Nursing of the skilled unit. Martha approached me about being hired for a position when she was terminated from Inman Health Care and Magnolia Manor (both Fundamental buildings that shared Martha). I did check references both personal and professional before offering Martha a position. This was done in part because of requirements prior to hiring, but also because I had not worked with Martha in a little over a year. The professional reference was of course, only hire

> A Continuing Care Retirement Community of the Lutheran Church

date information, but the personal references from people that I knew personally all agreed that Martha was still a compassionate and professional nurse. It was also stated that she would be greatly missed. Martha started working for me at RoseCrest on March 25, 2009 once again as a charge nurse. She has been an excellent employee, has been here every day that she was scheduled. She is always on time. We have issued no corrective actions to Martha. We monitor our documentation closely and Martha's is accurate and timely. Martha's coworkers and myself are very blessed to have her as part of our team at RoseCrest.

If I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely, Pat Clayton, RN, DDN Pat Clayton, RN, DON

## Magnolia Manor of Inman

Carole Clark RN, DON Magnolia Manor Inman 63 Blackstock Road Inman, SC 29349

To Whom It May Concern:

#### 12/10/2009

I have worked with Martha Kirby closely since she first began working here in 2004. Martha worked at Magnolia Manor Inman as Shift Manager on 11-7. Martha always demonstrated a kind and caring attitude toward our residents. Martha had good assessment skills and was a very knowledgeable preceptor to the other nurses working nights. She was always willing to assist with any emergencies in order to precipitate the best outcome for our residents.

Martha had a wealth of knowledge and experience that she brought to our facility. She was always careful about checking orders and making sure that residents received the best care possible. Martha was always willing to assist with any extra jobs as needed by the nurse manager.

As a new DON, she gave me good feedback on expectations of the role and the survey process. Unfortunately for us, our company policy required that we terminate her since the incident that she was involved in took place at one of our facilities. This was disappointing to us as we lost a valued employee who got caught in an unfortunate situation.

If I can be of any further assistance, please let me know.

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Carole A. Clark RN, MSN Director of Nursing Magnolia Manor Inman

Date 12-9-2009

Annette Putman 427 Rexford Dr. Moore, SC 29369

To Whom It May Concern:

I have known and worked with Martha J. Kirby for many years. She was my ADON at Woodruff Manor for over 15 years.

I found Martha to be very dependable, punctual and trustworthy. She established a good rapport with residents, families and co-workers. Her work ethics has been very professional, would work until assignments completed, willing to help others in anyway possible. Martha is devoted to her residents, families and co-workers.

In conclusion, Martha is an exceptional and experienced nurse. It is hard to fine someone with her loyality and devotion to the nursing profession.

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Annette Putman

12-10-2009

Sheila Calvert P.O. Box 454 Wellford, S.C. 29385

To Whom It May Concern:

Martha and I have worked together at Woodruff Manor May 1995 up to March 2009 at Inman Healthcare. She has always been a devoted supervisor, and very professional in her duties.

She is very devoted in her career in teaching others especially new nurses concerning policies and procedures. Helping staff on floor in any way possible, making sure residents had what they needed. Her documentation would always be immaculate. She is kind, considerate, and always put others first.

I have never worked in the capacity with a Christian Nurse as devoted, compassionate and caring as she is.

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Lua & brat 350 Byvart 10 # D37 Spartenburg SC 29303 December 10, 2009 To whom it may concern. In writing the little in reference to Martha Kirby RD. Mrs. Kirby has been a mentor to me for the past two years. The been employed as an LPN for the Past sixteen years. Upon meeting nuise Kurby I've been inspired to continue my education and punsue a degreeran a BSN Nurse Kurby has supervised me for the past eighteen months. She has exemplified the true meaning of nursing. She is very competent, compassionate and caring while Observing her work ethics I realyed that the human element has not been lost in health. Care.

Under Martha's Supervision she has exhibited great judgement and skill when it mattered most. I whole heartedly trust and respect Mrs. Kuby RN. and enjoyed not only being Hunght but embraced by this knowelogable nuse

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To whom it May concern. My name is Pam Ennis, I am a Licensed Pratical Number, I was a co-worker and am a friend of Martha Kinby, Martha is a dedicated and Preference number, who would Never De Reglegent in her duties and responsibilities to her residents. She is a very Caung individence with the plus years of experiment without incident: She helped us learn our duties and responsibilities by Passing on her Knowledge and experience. Her contribution to the field of nursing is to be commended. I hope that you will take this into Consideration when making you decision.

> Sincerely Pam Enn. & LPN

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** 

OIE #2009-157

Respondent.

I hereby certify that I have this day caused to be served the within Notice of Final Order and copy Memorandum of Agreement and Stipulations upon the person hereafter named, by placing the same in an envelope, securely wrapped, in the United States Mail, certified mail, return receipt requested, properly addressed to the said person hereafter named, at the place and address stated below, which is the last known address for the same:

> Ms. Martha Kirby 705 Conifer Circle Spartanburg, SC 29303-3314

> > SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING & REGULATION

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