

BEFORE THE INDIANA STATE
BOARD OF NURSING
CAUSE NUMBER: 2019 NB 0100

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF:)
SARAH ELAINE PHILLIPS, R.N.)
LICENSE NO: 28194677A)

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Indiana Professional
Licensing Agency

PETITION FOR AGREED SUMMARY SUSPENSION

The State of Indiana ("Petitioner"), by Deputy Attorney General Patricia Gibson and Sarah Elaine Phillips, R.N. ("Respondent") move the Indiana State Board of Nursing ("Board") to accept this agreement to summarily suspend the license of Sarah Elaine Phillips, R.N., ("Respondent"), up to and including December 12, 2019, or until the status of Respondent's Kentucky license is free and clear, whichever is earlier, and in support of their Petition state the following:

1. Respondent is a Registered Nurse ("RN") in the State of Indiana having been issued license number 28194677A on January 19, 2011.
2. Respondent's address on file with the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency ("IPLA") is 312 East O'Bannon Street, Morganfield Kentucky, 42437.
3. Respondent is also an RN in the Commonwealth of Kentucky having been issued license number 1128235 on July 29, 2011.
4. This Board has jurisdiction to suspend Respondent's license in accordance with the provisions of Ind. Code ch. 4-21.5-4 and Ind. Code § 25-1-9-10.
5. On January 9, 2019, the Kentucky Board of Nursing ("KYBON") placed Respondent's Kentucky nursing license on Immediate Temporary Suspension.

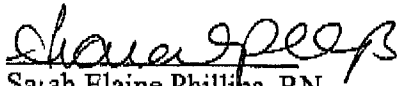
6. The Immediate Temporary Suspension's Findings of Fact state Respondent admitted diverting pain medication from two patients while employed as a home health nurse.

7. On March 4, 2019, Respondent informed IPLA of the suspension of her Kentucky nursing license and admitted to having a substance use disorder.

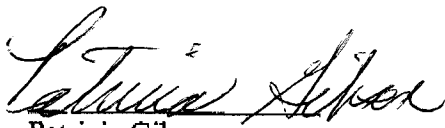
8. The KYBON issued a referral to their substance use disorder program, KARE, for Respondent. Respondent's first meeting with KARE is on June 10, 2019.

9. Based on the facts stated above, Respondent presents a clear and immediate danger to the public's health and safety if allowed to continue to practice nursing in Indiana.

WHEREFORE, the Parties respectively request this Board accept this agreement and **SUMMARILY SUSPEND** Respondent's Indiana nursing license up to and including December 12, 2019, or until the status of Respondent's Kentucky license is free and clear, whichever is earlier.


Sarah Elaine Phillips, RN
Respondent

5/28/19
Date


Patricia Gibson
Deputy Attorney General
Attorney No. 12011-49

5/29/19
Date