# INDIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

will meet on Thursday, January 2nd, 2025 at 8:30 a.m.

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## **Administrative Law Judge:**

Jason King, DNP, RN

## **Advisory Counsel:**

Claire Dyer Jill Haddad

#### **PLA Staff:**

Audrea Racine Kayla Perkins Rebecca Tinsley Brad Repass

## **Court Reporter:**

Falicity Nunez

## I. Personal Appearances (8:30 a.m.)

- 1. \*\*Kathy Zelodius Coley- Failed to appear second time. DENIED.
- 2. Ashley Bowers- Ashley appeared with counsel, Lorie Brown. She is appearing for renewing her LPN license and answering yes to #3. Ashley has pending charges that involve methamphetamine/narcotics/marijuana/paraphernalia. Case is pending. The licensee did fail drug screen for THC from using CBD. ALJ recommendation to renew free and clear and refer to OAG.
- 3. Angela Rodriguez-failed to appear. Reschedule.
- 4. \*\*Keith Alan Smith- Failed to appear for second time. DENIED.
- 5. Tyler Macicach- Having access/technical issues. Reschedule.
- 6. Marguerite Baptiste- Marguerite is appearing for the LPN examination application. Marguerite answered yes to #2. In May 2023, she was charged with one count of theft, a class A misdemeanor. She entered into a Pre Trial-Diversion Agreement in January 2024. She stated she accidentally took items from Walmart. The case is scheduled to be dismissed January 17, 2025. ALJ recommendation to have opportunity to take NCLEX and if she passes, issue license free and clear.
- 7. Dawn Cassady- Dawn is appearing for the RN reinstatement. Dawn has been out of practice since 1999. She left in 1989 and practiced a little at Princeton hospital. Then, she changed careers and entered into pharmaceuticals. Has been working in pharmaceutical industry doing clinical research for years and wants to go back to nursing where she's working with people.

- ALJ recommendation is to either do an NCLEX review course with a green light or 95% predictor score, take and pass NCLEX, then complete a nursing refresher course with clinical component OR go back to nursing school.
- 8. Carolyn Paavo- Carolyn is appearing for a RN examination application. Carolyn graduated in 1997 from Finlandia University and has never passed the RN examination. She completed a three day in person review course. She took a nursing test of 104 questions and passed. ALJ recommended to deny and have the applicant go back to nursing school.
- 9. Robert A. Green-Robert is appearing for the RN compact application. Robert was charged in May 2024 with one count of criminal recklessness committed with a deadly weapon, level 6 felony and one count of criminal recklessness, B misdemeanor. Robert indicated the case was due to him discharging a firearm in his own home. The State dismissed the felony charge. In August, 2024, Robert entered into a pre-trial diversion agreement for the one county of criminal recklessness. Robert states that the pretrial diversion agreement will be completed the end of FEB 2025. Robert indicated he will be having the information expunged. ALJ recommendation to issue the RN compact license.
- 10. Wendy Cox- Wendy is appearing on an expired RN renewal. She has been expired since 10/31/2021. Wendy answered yes to #1. Previous out of state discipline. Previous denied IL license. In DEC 2020, signed order in KY for 3 years for discipline. Then in 2023, IL put the nurse in a refuse to renew status in IL. The status in KY is free and clear and she was released in JUNE 24. The licensee has not reached out to IL. ALJ recommends to renew the license free and clear.
- 11. Mary Ann Lyczynski- Mary is appearing on the LPN renewal. Mary answered yes to #3. She was charged with one count of Theft, A misdemeanor. Probation will end Jan. 15, 2025. She witnessed a horrific accident and was one of the first people to help provide aid. She had just purchased a new fridge and stove for her place. She was upset and shaken up by the accident. When she got home, the landlord had her sign papers that she did not read stating that her new appliances belonged to the property management. When she moved, she took the appliances with her. The landlord called the police and reported them stolen. She has \$2,100 still outstanding to pay. ALJ recommendation to renew the license free and clear and refer to the OAG.

## II. Probation Withdraws and Reinstatements (10:00 a.m.)

1. In the Matter of the License of Eric Vanderhoof 28203725A Administrative Cause No. 2023 NB 0204

DAG: none

Respondent: present and comfortable proceeding Witness(es): Respondent, Audrea Racine, ISBN

Exhibits(s): none

The ALJ recommendation is to withdrawal probation.

2. In the Matter of the License of Cassandra Derrick, 27065021A

Administrative Cause No. 2024NB0029

DAG: Autumn Murphy

Respondent: Respondent present and with counsel, Cynthia Marcus

Witness(es): Respondent, Briana Foster, IPRP

Exhibits(s): Respondent Ex. A (Letter from Probation Officer), State Ex. 1(IPRP Documents)

The ALJ recommendation is to reinstate Ms. Derrick's license on indefinite probation for the length of the ISNAP RMA, signed board order, quarterly reports, 12 months of active practice, keep apprised of all changes, relapses, arrests, completion of criminal matter and full compliance of RMA. Ms. Derrick agreed to these terms.

3. In the Matter of the License of Shelly Day, 28223282A

Administrative Cause No. 2019NB0147

DAG: Autumn Murphy

Respondent: present and comfortable proceeding without counsel

Witness(es): Respondent, Briana Foster, IPRP

Exhibits(s): State Ex. 1 (IPLA Affidavit), State Ex. 2 (IPRP Documents)

The ALJ recommendation is to reinstate Ms. Day's license on indefinite probation for the length of her RMA. Maintain full compliance with ISNAP, signed board orders, quarterly reports, active practice for one year, apprised of all changes, relapses, arrests, complete nursing refresher course with clinical component prior to practicing, Ms. Day agreed to these terms.

4. In the Matter of the License of Jodi Jackson, 27074751A

Administrative Cause No. 2022NB0038

DAG: Autumn Murphy

Respondent: present and comfortable proceeding without counsel

Witness(es): Respondent, Briana Foster, IPRP

Exhibits(s): State Ex. 1 (IPLA Affidavit), State Ex. 2 (IPRP documents)

The ALJ recommendation is to reinstate Ms. Jackson's license on indefinite probation for the length of RMA. Maintain full compliance with ISNAP, signed board orders, quarterly reports, active practice for one year, apprised of all changes, relapses, arrests, complete nursing refresher course with clinical component prior to practicing as a nurse. Ms. Jackson agreed to these terms.

5. In the Matter of the License of Alexis Ireland, 28269658A

Administrative Cause No. 2023NB0155

DAG: none

Respondent: present and comfortable proceeding without counsel

Witness(es): Respondent, Audrea Racine, ISBN

Exhibit(s): none

The ALJ recommendation is to withdrawal probation.

6. In the Matter of the License of Amy Pollard, 28220129A

Administrative Cause No. 2023NB0148

DAG: none

Respondent: present and comfortable proceeding without counsel

Witness(es): Respondent, Audrea Racine, ISBN

Exhibit(s): none

The ALJ recommendation is to withdrawal probation.

7. In the Matter of the License of Mesghane Asgedon, 28205617A, 71014935A

Administrative Cause No. 2023NB0197

DAG: Autumn Murphy

Respondent: present and comfortable proceeding without counsel

Witness(es): Respondent

Exhibit(s): State Ex. 1 (IPLA Affidavit)

The ALJ recommendation is to withdrawal probation.

8. In the Matter of the License of Megan Wiler, 28205673A-CONTINUE Administrative Cause No. 2020NB0132

9. In the Matter of the License of Christopher Elsten, 28289365A

Administrative Cause No. 2024NB0058

DAG: none

Respondent: present and comfortable proceeding without counsel

Witness(es): Respondent, Audrea Racine, ISBN

Exhibit(s): none

The ALJ recommendation is to withdrawal probation.

10. In the Matter of the License of Heather Hill, 28211692A

Administrative Cause No. 2021NB0025

DAG: Autumn Murphy

Respondent: Respondent present and with counsel, Lori Brown

Witness(es): Respondent, Kayla Banks, Supervisor

Exhibit(s): Respondent Ex. A (Annual Review), Respondent's Ex. B (Copies of CEUs), State Ex. 1

(IPLA Affidavit)

The ALJ recommendation is to reinstate Ms. Hill's license on indefinite probation for not less than (6) months, signed board orders, quarterly reports, active nursing for (3) months prior to petitioning to withdrawal. Mitigating factors: she has had same employer since event, testimony from employer, the amount of time that has passed since event, Respondent's testimony of actions she took to learn from mistake, and there were system changes that happened due to this event. Ms. Hill agreed to these terms.

11. In the Matter of the License of Renee Judy, 28137526A

Administrative Cause No. 2013NB0520

DAG: Autumn Murphy

Respondent: present and comfortable proceeding without counsel

Witness(es): Respondent, Audrea Racine, ISBN

Exhibit(s): State Ex. 1 (IPLA Affidavit), State Ex. 2 (IPRP documentation)

The ALJ recommendation is to modify Ms. Judy's probation. A signed board order, quarterly reports for at least 12 months, active practice for 12 months, physician file monthly inspect report to PLA, keep board apprised of contact information, any new terminations or arrests. Ms. Judy agreed to these terms.

12. In the Matter of the License of Londo Couch, 28100581A

Administrative Cause No. 2019NB0297

DAG: Carah Rochester

Respondent: present and represented by counsel, Josh Timmons

Witness(es): Respondent

Exhibit(s): Respondent Ex. A (Self-Quarterly report), Respondent Ex. B (Letter from therapist),

Respondent Ex. C (Q4 2024 Employer Quarterly Report), Respondent Ex. D (Receipt of \$5 payment),

State Ex. 1 (IPLA Affidavit)

The ALJ recommendation to withdrawal probation.

13. In the Matter of the License of Anna Bueno, 28190991A

Administrative Cause No. 2023NB0201

DAG: none

Respondent: present and represented by counsel, Adriana Zeljkovic

Witness(es): Respondent

Exhibit(s): Respondent Ex. A (Completion of Criminal Probation), Respondent Ex. B (Compilation of Quarterly Reports and Signed Board Order), Respondent Ex. C (Cass County Petition for Termination of Probation), Respondent Ex. D (Cass County Order of Termination of Probation)

The ALJ recommendation to withdrawal probation.

14. In the Matter of the License of Tiffany Moore, 28280354A

Administrative Cause No. 2023NB0200

DAG: none

Respondent: not present and counsel, Mr. Callahan, not present

Witness(es): none Exhibit(s): none

Ms. Moore nor her counsel appeared for hearing. Director Racine will contact Counsel Callahan regarding rescheduling.