# MINUTES OF THE INDIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

will meet on Thursday, March 6, 2025 at 8:30 a.m.

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#### ALJ

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

- 1. Janet Ruth Hannah- Janet is appearing for a RN reinstatement. Janet has been out of practice since 2021. Janet was e-mailed the refresher course with clinical component. Janet would like to appeal the refresher course with clinical component. ALJ feels this should go before the full board. Reschedule for full board.
- 2. Natalya A. Queen- Natalya is appearing for an RN by examination application for answering yes to #1. This matter was previously tabled when the matter was still a pending criminal matter, and the applicant had not passed the NCLEX yet. Recent charge for disorderly conduct from 2024. Pending criminal matter is resolved. Natalya is not currently working. Natalya passed the NCLEX as of 02/25/2025. ALJ recommends to issue license free and clear.
- 3. Terence Walton-Terence is appearing for the LPN compact application. Terence answered yes to #3 and #5. Terence received a felony in 1996 for carrying a firearm concealed. A disqualifier for the compact license is a felony. ALJ recommends denying the compact license.
- 4. Cynthia Iziegbe Ohonba- Cynthia is appearing for the APRN application for discipline in nursy.com on two previous LPN licenses. Her attorney, Laura Iosue appeared with her. Cynthia holds a compact RN license in AZ. Revoked status remains on the CA LPN license. She received discipline in AZ and license is no longer encumbered. She failed to disclose the discipline in CA and she never used the license in CA. It was due to the AZ discipline. She was living in Maryland

- and now living in Indiana. She is currently working at Witham Hospital. Has been offered a job with Mobile MD. ALJ recommends approving the application free and clear.
- 5. Nicole D. Caffe- Nicole is appearing for the LPN renewal for answering yes to #3. Nicole is currently on criminal probation for two felonies. Nicole lost a lot of family members. She has completed IOP, house arrest, and is sober. ALJ recommends reinstating her license on indefinite probation for the length of her criminal probation or her ISNAP RMA, which ever is longest. Evaluation with ISNAP, enter into RMA if needed, keep board apprised of contact info, new terminations, arrests. Board signed order, quarterly reports, active nursing practice for one year prior to petitioning. Comply with criminal probation and provide proof of completion. Nicole agrees to those terms.
- 6. Amber Dover- Amber is appearing for the pre-approval license application. Amber disclosed a charge from 10/08/2014. Possession of a narcotic. ALJ recommends that the license would be issued, but the board may issue with stipulations.
- 7. Sheila L. Edmonds- Sheila is appearing for the LPN reinstatement. Sheila expired in 2008. She last practiced as a nurse in 2007. ALJ recommends denying reinstatement. She can either (1) 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 (2) go back to nursing school.
- 8. Cynthia A. Metz WITHDRAWN
- 9. Edward Tolliver- Edward is appearing for the LPN reinstatement. Edward was sent the refresher course with clinical component in FEB of 2024. Edward has location issues when it comes to taking the clinical portion. Edward would like to go over his options when it comes to the clinical. Edwards' employment has already paid for the refresher course with Ivy Tech. Last time he worked was 2020 as a nurse. He currently works as a police officer in Gary, IN. He broke his femur and was off work for 9 months. ALJ recommends that he contact Ivy Tech to explain location issues and ask to take clinical portion closer to him. Deny the reinstatement until he completes the refresher course with a clinical component.
- 10. Mia R. Rush- Mia is appearing for the pre-approval license application. Mia disclosed a possession of narcotic charge from 12/05/2005. She also have an assault charge in 2002. ALJ recommends that the license would be issued in the future, but the board may issue with stipulations.
- 11. Samantha Richmond- Samantha is appearing for the RN examination application. Samantha did not disclose anything on this RN application in 2025. Samantha does have a previous abandoned RN application on file from 2023 which she did disclose on that application. Samantha has 11 previous criminal charges. Seven of the eleven charges have been dismissed. 2001 being the first charge and 2022 being the most recent. She has received a job offer from IU. ALJ recommends allowing her to test, pass NCLEX and license will be placed on indefinite probation for no less than two years. Signed board orders, quarterly reports, apprised of contact info, new arrests, terminations, active practice 2 years prior to petitioning the board for withdraw. Aggravating factors, long history with most recent charged in 2022.
- 12. Kateen Morris- Kateen is appearing for the LPN reinstatement application. Kateen has been expired since 2010. ALJ recommends denying the reinstatement. She can either (1) 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 (2) go back to nursing school.
- 13. Pamela Mallory-CONTINUED
- 14. Sheena Marie Castillo Gamonal- VACATED
- 15. Angela Noelle McClure (Porter)- Angela is appearing for the RN examination application. Angela was revoked September 09, 2013. Angela answered yes to question #4 on the application. She successfully completed treatment at Valle vista. She has been sober for 9 years. She attends

AA meetings. She took a refresher course without clinical component. She graduated in 2004 and passed NCLEX initially. ALJ recommends to approve the application on indefinite probation for no less than one year, NCLEX review course with predictor, pass NCLEX, and take a refresher course with clinical component, if Toni Herron does not approve Sigma course she previously took. evaluation with ISNAP, and enter into RMA if required. Quarterly reports, signed board order, keep board apprised of information, any new arrests, terminations, one year of active practice.

- 16. Kalie Ryan- Kalie is appearing for the LPN examination application. Kalie did not disclose anything on her examination application. Kalie has a pending criminal matter at this time. In November, she was pulled over and was arrested for OWI and possession of marijuana. No charges have been filed yet. ALJ recommends allowing to test, issue free and clear and refer to Attorney General's office.
- 17. Carlos Perez-Failed to appear for 2<sup>nd</sup> attempt. Deny application.
- 18. Brianna M. Doyle- Brianna is appearing for the LPN by reinstatement application. Brianna expired on 10/31/2014. She last practiced in 2011. She allowed her license to lapse to be a mom. ALJ recommends denying the reinstatement. She can either (1) 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 (2) go back to nursing school.

## II. Probation Withdrawals (10:00 a.m.)

1. In the Matter of the License of Taylor Drzewiecki, 28227101A Administrative Cause No. 2023 NB 0212

DAG: none

Petitioner: present and comfortable proceeding Witnesses(es): Petitioner, Audrea Racine, ISBN Exhibit(s): Petitioner Ex. A (Support Letter)

The ALJ recommends withdrawing the probation.

2. In the Matter of the License of Mark Ramel, 28278555A

Administrative Cause No. 2023 NB 0152

DAG: none

Petitioner: present and with counsel, Lorie Brown

Witnesses(es): Petitioner, Cheryl Flaugh, Work Supervisor

Exhibit(s): Petitioner Ex. A (Signed Board Order), Petitioner Ex. B (Quarterly Reports), Petitioner Ex. C (Successful Termination Report), Petitioner Ex. D (CEUs), Petitioner Ex. E (Letters of Support), Petitioner Ex. F (Hair Follicle Test), Petitioner Ex. G (Current Quarterly Report)

The ALJ recommends withdrawing the probation.

3. In the Matter of the License of Tara Richards, 27074654A

Administrative Cause No. 2019 NB 0062

DAG: Colin Russel, CLI and Rebekah Hammond, DAG

Petitioner: present and comfortable proceeding

Witnesses(es): Petitioner, Audrea Racine, ISBN

Exhibit(s): Petitioner Ex. A (Successful Discharge), Petitioner Ex. B (Letter from Jim Ryser), State Ex.1 (IPLA Affidavit)

The ALJ recommends withdrawing the probation.

4. In the Matter of the License of Richettia Walker, 28235216A

Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0200

DAG: none

Petitioner: present and comfortable proceeding Witnesses(es): Petitioner, Audrea Racine, ISBN

Exhibit(s): none

The ALJ recommends denying the request to withdraw probation. She must resolve CA matter.

5. In the Matter of the License of Gina Alissia, 28211957A

Administrative Cause No. 2021 NB 0057

DAG: Caleb Belcher, CLI, Ryan Eldridge, DAG

Petitioner: present and with counsel, Lorie Brown

Witnesses(es): Petitioner, Audrea Racine, ISBN

Exhibit(s): Petitioner's Ex. A part 1-6 (CEUs), Petitioner's Ex. B (Signed Board Order), Petitioner's Ex.

C part 1-4 (Quarterly Reports)

The ALJ recommends withdrawing the probation.

### III. Reinstatements (10:00 a.m.)

1. In the Matter of the License of Wendy Moore, 28121960A

Administrative Cause No. 2014 NB 0301

DAG: Caleb Beltcher, CLI and Rebekah Hammond

Petitioner: present and comfortable proceeding

Witness(es): Respondent, Monica Sweigert, IPRP, Audrea Racine, ISBN

Exhibit(s): Petitioner Ex. A (Letter of Recommendation), Petitioner Ex. B (Letter of

Recommendation), Petitioner Ex. C (RN Refresher grades), Petitioner Ex. D (ANA Course

Completion List), Petitioner Ex. E (Shoreline Treatment Center Program Certificate), Petitioner Ex.

F (Letter of Recommendation), Petitioner Ex. G (Letter of Recommendation)

The ALJ recommendation is to reinstate the license on indefinite probation for one year or the completion of her RMA, whichever is longer. Prior to practicing, either (1) 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 (2) go back to nursing school. Signed board orders, keep board apprised of contact info, arrests, relapses, terminations, quarterly reports, active practice for one year prior to petitioning.

2. In the Matter of the License of Mallory Banet, 28188790A-VACATED Administrative Cause No. 2018 NB 0155

3. In the Matter of the License of Penny Felty, 28201394A

Administrative Cause No. 2020 NB 0042

DAG: Ryan Eldridge

Petitioner: present and comfortable proceeding

Witness(es): Respondent, Ruth Conrad, Pastor, Toni Herron, ISBN, Audi Racine, ISBN

Exhibit(s): none

The ALJ recommendation is to deny the petition to reinstate due to not meeting the CEU requirement.