

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION
BOARD OF NURSE REGISTRATION
AND NURSING EDUCATION

vs.

EVERETT DUNN, LPN (LPN07886)

ORDER

Pursuant to Section 5-34-25 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 2004 Reenactment, a complaint was filed with the Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education (hereinafter referred to as "Board") charging Everett Dunn, LPN, Respondent, with violation of Chapter 5-34 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 2004 Reenactment.

After consideration by the Investigating Subcommittee of the Board, the following constitutes the Findings of Fact with respect to the professional performance of the Respondent.

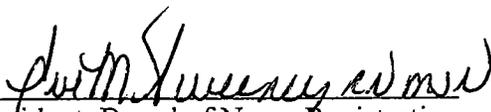
1. Respondent is a license practical nurse and licensed to practice nursing in the State of Rhode Island.
2. That at all pertinent times Respondent was employed at Epoch Assisted Living Center, Providence, Rhode Island.
3. That on or about July 2002 Respondent retained power of attorney for a resident at the above facility and diverted the resident's funds for his personal use.
4. That the conduct described in paragraph three (3) above constitutes unprofessional conduct as defined in Section 5-34-24 (6) (v) in that Respondent's actions fail to conform to the standards established by the nursing profession.

Based upon the foregoing, the Board hereby enters the following Order:

1. That the license practical nurse license issued to the Respondent is hereby Suspended effective July 11, 2005.
2. That at the time Respondent seeks reinstatement of the license practical nurse license, he shall submit documentation to the Board evidencing that he is capable and competent to engage in the practice of nursing.
3. That this Order shall remain in full force and effect pending further Order of the Board.
4. This Final Order constitutes a final order of the Department of Health pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws 42-35-12. Pursuant to RI General Laws 42-35-15, a final order may be appealed to the Superior Court sitting in and for the County of Providence within thirty (30) days of the mailing date of this decision. Such appeal, if taken, must be completed by filling a petition for review in Superior Court. The filing of the complaint does not itself stay the enforcement of this order. The agency may grant, or the reviewing court may order a stay upon the appropriate terms.

Entered as an Order of the Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education at a meeting held on July 11, 2005.

Date: 7-11-2005


President, Board of Nurse Registration
and Nursing Education