

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH :
HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION :
BOARD OF NURSE REGISTRATION AND :
NURSING EDUCATION :

v. :

ALBERT JACAVONE, RN 41859 :

SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Albert Jacavone (hereinafter "Respondent") is licensed as a registered nurse pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws 5-34-1, et seq.

1. That on March 17, 2008 the Cranston Police Department notified the Department of Health that Respondent was arrested on or about March 12, 2008 for several charges including possession of controlled substances which included a used manufacturer's pre-filled syringe of Hydromorphone 2mg, a used needle and syringe, several unopened syringes and needles, other drug paraphernalia and a prescription bottle of Oxycontin.
2. That a Prescription Monitoring Report revealed that Respondent has received numerous prescriptions for various medications containing morphine from several different prescribers in a short period of time.
3. That Respondent was also found on March 12, 2008 by the Cranston Police Department to be in possession of two(2) blue plastic hospital identification cards containing pertinent and confidential patient information belonging to Miriam Hospital, Providence, RI.

4. That at the time of his arrest, Respondent was employed as a registered nurse at Miriam Hospital and that the bar code on the manufacturer's pre-filled morphine syringe found in Respondent's car matched the code of said hospital's supply.
5. That a Court Record search on Respondent, revealed numerous misdemeanor and felony charges whereas Respondent did not disclose, as required, on his registered nurse license renewal form completed on February 12, 2007.

Based upon the foregoing, the Director of Health has determined that the continuation of the license of Albert Jacavone as a registered nurse constitutes an imminent threat to the health, welfare and safety of the public. Accordingly, the registered nurse license of Albert Jacavone is hereby **suspended** forthwith pursuant to R.I. General Laws 5-34-26. Said **suspension** shall continue indefinitely pending further Order of the Department of Health. Furthermore, the Respondent is ordered to obtain a substance abuse evaluation from a board-approved health care provider.

The Respondent may request a hearing on this matter which will be scheduled within ten (10) days, if so requested.

Signed this 20th day of March 2008.



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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I have hand-delivered the within SUMMARY SUSPENSION to
Albert Jacavone, RN on this 20~~th~~ day of March 2008.

Elizabeth J. James