

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

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

**Vs**

**JULIE KAHRHOFF, RN (RN30538)**

**ORDER**

Pursuant to Section 5-34-24 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 2008 Reenactment, a complaint was filed with the Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education (hereinafter referred to as "Board") charging Julie Kahrhoff, RN, Respondent, with violation of Chapter 5-34 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 2008 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 registered nurse licensed to practice nursing in the State of Rhode Island.
2. That in 2001, the Respondent's registered nurse license was suspended indefinitely pursuant to an Order of the Board for diversion of narcotics while working at Maxim Health Care.
3. On or about November 4, 2002 Respondent entered into a Consent Order wherein Respondent's registered nurse license was reinstated with a three (3) year period of probation.
4. That on or about April 26, 2004 the Board received a letter from the Director of Nursing Services at Scalabrini Villa Health Center, that the Respondent was

terminated for failing to disclose her probationary status at the time of hire, and for errors in narcotic administration.

5. In 2007, Respondent was arrested and charged by the East Greenwich Police Department with false representation to obtain a controlled substance. In addition, the Respondent admitted to altering a prescription for narcotics increasing the amount from 21 pills to 27.
6. On July 17, 2009, Respondent while on Probation with the Board is alleged to have diverted Roxinol, while working at Friendly Home Inc.

That the conduct described in paragraphs two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5), and six (6) and above constitutes unprofessional conduct as defined in Sections 5-34-24 (3) 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 registered nurse license issued to the Respondent is hereby suspended effective July 12, 2010.
2. That at the time Respondent seeks reinstatement of her registered nurse license, she shall submit documentation to the Board evidencing that she 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.

Date:

June 30, 2010

Janella L. McCreary  
for President, Board of Nurse Registration  
and Nursing Education