

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

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

RN 05-106

vs.

Susan Dragon, RN (RN28203)

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 Susan Dragon, RN, 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 registered nurse and licensed to practice nursing in the State of Rhode Island.
2. That at all pertinent times Respondent was employed at Diversified Staffing and on duty at Waterview Villa, East Providence, Rhode Island.
3. That on or about 8 March 2004 entered into a contract with the Board, wherein Respondent's registered nurse license was placed on probationary status in that Respondent did not follow facility policy regarding handling of controlled substances that resulted in a missing tablet of Oxycontin while employed at Kent Regency, Warwick, RI. In addition, on or about 13 May 2002 respondent did obtain a controlled substance by altered prescription.

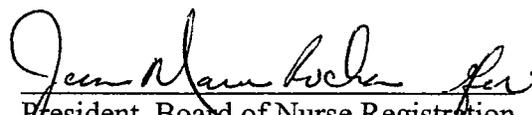
4. That pursuant to paragraph 12 of the Consent Order Respondent shall continue counseling and/or treatment for drug and/or alcohol abuse and shall continue such counseling and/or treatment programs as the healthcare provider rendering care deems appropriate.
5. That the Board is in receipt of information her healthcare provider dated 19 July 2005, wherein Respondent has not been compliant with her treatment.
6. That on or about 19 July 2005 Respondent while on duty at Waterview villa diverted Ritalin for her personal use. In addition, a search of court records indicates respondent with a recent charge of shoplifting with a NoLo plea entered on 18 July 2005.

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 October 3, 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.

Entered as an Order of the Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education at a meeting held on October 3, 2005.

Date: October 3, 2005


President, Board of Nurse Registration
and Nursing Education