

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
BUREAU OF REGULATORY SERVICES**

In Re: Gregory Stradtman, R.N.

Petition No. 981103-010-071

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Gregory Stradtman, R.N. (hereinafter "respondent") of Clinton, Connecticut has been issued license number E55847 to practice as a registered nurse by the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") pursuant to Chapter 378 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, respondent hereby admits and acknowledges that:

1. On October 21, 1998 the Clinton Police Department arrested respondent and charged him with Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Marijuana With Intent to Sell.
2. On January 20, 1999, respondent was granted Accelerated Rehabilitation.
3. The above described facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, 20-99(b), including but not limited to:
 - a. 20-99(b)(2);
 - b. 20-99(b)(5); and/or,
 - c. 20-99(b)(8).

WHEREAS, respondent, in consideration of this Consent Order, has chosen not to contest the above allegations at a hearing in front of the Board of Examiners for Nursing (hereinafter "the Board").

Respondent further agrees that this Consent Order shall have the same effect as if ordered after a full hearing pursuant to §§19a-9, 19a-10, and 20-99(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §19a-17 and §20-99(a) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, respondent hereby stipulates and agrees to the following:

1. Respondent waives his right to a hearing on the merits of this matter.
2. Respondent shall comply with all federal and state statutes and regulations applicable to his profession.
3. Respondent's license number E55847 to practice as a registered nurse in the State of Connecticut is hereby placed on probation for three years, subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - A. Respondent shall not obtain or use controlled substances, legend drugs or alcohol in any form unless prescribed or recommended for a legitimate therapeutic purpose by a licensed health care professional authorized to prescribe medications.
 - (1) At his own expense, he shall submit to observed random urine screens for drugs and alcohol at a testing facility approved by the Board, after consultation with the Department. Laboratory reports of random alcohol and drug screens shall be submitted directly to the Board and the Department by respondent's testing laboratory. All such observed random drug and alcohol screens shall be legally defensible in that the specimen donor and chain of custody can be identified throughout the screening process. All laboratory reports shall indicate that the chain of custody procedure has been followed.
 - (2) He shall be responsible for notifying the laboratory, the Board, and the Department of any drug(s) he is taking.

- (3) There must be at least one such observed random alcohol/drug screen and accompanying laboratory report every week for the duration of his probation.
 - (4) All screens shall be negative for the presence of drugs and alcohol.
 - (5) All positive screen results shall be confirmed by gas chromatograph/mass spectrometer (GC/MS) testing.
 - (6) Respondent is hereby advised that the ingestion of poppy seeds and mouthwash has, from time to time, been raised as a defense to a positive screen result for morphine, opiates and/or alcohol. For that reason, respondent agrees to refrain from ingesting poppy seeds in any food substances or mouthwash during the term of this Consent Order. In the event respondent has a positive screen for morphine, opiates and/or alcohol, respondent agrees that the ingestion of poppy seeds and/or mouthwash shall not constitute a defense to such a screen.
- B. Respondent shall provide a copy of this Consent Order to all current and future employers for the duration of his probation.
- C. Respondent shall not accept employment as a nurse for a personnel provider service, Assisted Living Services Agency, Homemaker - Home Health Aide Agency, or home health care agency, and shall not be self-employed as a nurse for the period of his probation.
- D. ~~Respondent shall not administer, count, or have access to narcotics or other controlled substances, or have responsibility for such activities in the course of his nursing duties for the first 18 months of the probationary period.~~ KB 11/17/99 JB 11/17/99

- E. Respondent shall be responsible for the provision of written reports directly to the Board and the Department from his nursing supervisor (i.e., Director of Nursing) quarterly for the entire duration of his probation. Employer reports shall include documentation of respondent's ability to safely and competently practice nursing, and shall be issued to the Board and the Department at the address cited in paragraph 3L below.
- F. Respondent shall notify the Board and the Department in writing of any change of employment within fifteen (15) days of such change.
- G. Respondent shall notify the Board and the Department of any change in his home or business address within fifteen (15) days of such change.
- H. If respondent pursues further training in any subject area that is regulated by the Department, respondent shall provide a copy of this Consent Order to the educational institution or, if not an institution, to respondent's instructor. Such institution or instructor shall notify the Department of receipt of the Consent Order within fifteen (15) days of receipt.
- I. All reports required by the terms of this Consent Order shall be due according to a schedule to be established by the Department of Public Health.
- J. All correspondence and reports shall be addressed to:

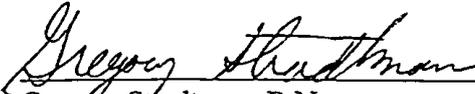
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4. Any violation of the terms of this Consent Order without prior written approval by the Board shall constitute grounds for the Department to seek revocation of the respondent's nursing license following notice and an opportunity to be heard.
5. Any extension of time or grace period for reporting granted by the Board shall not be a waiver or preclude the Board's right to take action at a later time. The Board shall not be required to grant future extensions of time or grace periods.
6. Legal notice of any action shall be deemed sufficient if sent to respondent's last known address of record reported to the Licensure and Registration Section of the Division of Health Systems Regulation of the Department.
7. This Consent Order is effective on the first day of the month immediately following the month in which this Consent Order is approved and accepted by the Board.
8. Respondent understands this Consent Order is a matter of public record.
9. Respondent understands this Consent Order may be considered as evidence of the above admitted violations in any proceeding before the Board in which (1) his compliance with this same Consent Order is at issue, or (2) his compliance with §20-99(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, is at issue.
10. In the event respondent violates any term of this Consent Order, said violation may also constitute grounds for the Department to seek a summary suspension of respondent's license before the Board.
11. This Consent Order and terms set forth herein are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review under any form or in any forum. Further, this Consent Order is not subject to appeal or review under the provisions of Chapters 54 and 368a of the General

Statutes of Connecticut, provided that this stipulation shall not deprive respondent of any other rights that respondent may have under the laws of the State of Connecticut or of the United States.

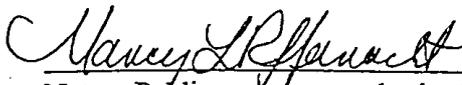
12. Respondent permits a representative of the Department to present this Consent Order and the factual basis for this Consent Order to the Board. The Department and respondent understand that the Board has complete and final discretion as to whether an executed Consent Order is approved or accepted.
13. Respondent has had the opportunity to consult with an attorney prior to signing this document.

I, Gregory Stradtman, R.N., have read the above Consent Order, and I agree to the terms set forth therein. I further declare the execution of this Consent Order to be my free act and deed.



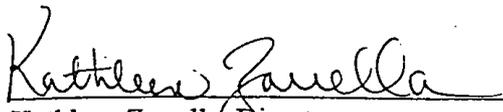
Gregory Stradtman, R.N.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of October, 1999.



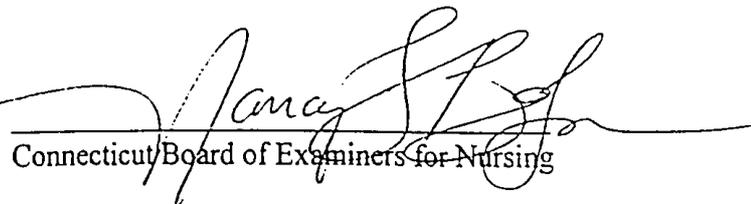
Notary Public or person authorized
by law to administer an oath or affirmation
NANCY L. RIFFANACHT
NOTARY PUBLIC
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES NOV. 30, 2000

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health on the 2nd day of November, 1999, it is hereby accepted.



Kathleen Zarrella, Director
Division of Health Systems Regulation

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing on the 17th day of November, 1999, it is hereby ordered and accepted.

BY: 

Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing

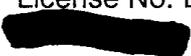


STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

December 4, 2002

Gregory Stradtman, RN
69 Evergreen Park
Rte. 81
Clinton, CT 06413

Re: Consent Order
Petition No. 981103-010-071
License No. E55847


Dear Mr. Stradtman:

Please accept this letter as notice that you have satisfied the terms of your license probation, effective December 2, 2002.

Notice will be sent to the Department's Licensure and Registration section to remove all restrictions from your license related to the above-referenced Consent Order.

Please be certain to retain this letter as documented proof that you have completed your license probation.

Thank you for your cooperation during this process.

Very truly yours,



Bonnie Pinkerton, RNC
Division of Health Systems Regulation

cc: J. Filippone
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