

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

In re: Sharon Mirizio

Petition No. 971021-011-028

**STATEMENT OF CHARGES**

Pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, §§19a-10 and 19a-14, the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") brings the following charges against Sharon Mirizio:

**FIRST COUNT**

1. Sharon Mirizio of Southington, CT (hereinafter "respondent") is, and has been at all times referenced in this Statement of Charges, the holder of Connecticut licensed practical nurse license number 019807.
2. At all relevant times, respondent was employed as a licensed practical nurse at VNA Health Care, Waterbury, Connecticut.
3. On or about October 2, 1997, while working as a licensed practical nurse at the home of Peter Petruzzi, respondent:
  - a. diverted Valium;
  - b. failed to completely, properly and/or accurately document medical or hospital records; and/or,
  - c. falsified one or more Controlled Substance Receipt Records.
4. In or about October of 1997, respondent abused or utilized to excess Valium.
5. Respondent's abuse of Valium may effect her practice as a licensed practical nurse.
6. The above 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)(6); and/or,
  - c. §20-99(b)(7)

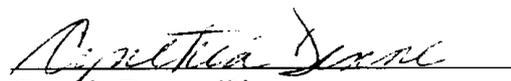
SECOND COUNT

7. Paragraphs 1 and 2 are incorporated herein by reference as if set forth in full.
8. On or about September 11, 1997, respondent stole china figurines from the home of a patient for whom she had been caring, until said patient died.
9. The above facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, §20-99(b)(2).

THEREFORE, the Department prays that:

The Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing, as authorized by the General Statutes of Connecticut, §§20-99(b) and 19a-17, revoke or order other disciplinary action against the license of Sharon Mirizio as it deems appropriate and consistent with law.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February 1998.

  
Cynthia Denne, Director  
Division of Health Systems Regulation