

**State of Vermont
Secretary of State
Office of Professional Regulation
Board of Nursing**

In re: Julie Gauthier

License No. 025.0106072

Docket No. 2026-125

Pre-Charge Stipulation and Consent Order

The matter captioned above arises from a complaint made to the Office of Professional Regulation. The parties to the case hereby agree to an expedited resolution of the matter as follows:

Stipulated Facts and Violations

1. Julie Gauthier ("Respondent") of Bennington, Vermont is licensed by the State of Vermont as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) under license number 025.0106072. This license was first issued on August 5, 2014 and expires on January 31, 2028.
2. On or before February 1, 2024, Respondent failed to renew her license.
3. On March 17, 2026, Respondent applied to renew her license. In this application, Respondent disclosed that she had been practicing while her license was expired.
4. By doing so, Respondent practiced nursing in this State without having a license.
5. This act constitutes unauthorized practice of a licensed profession in violation of 26 V.S.A. § 1584 (Prohibitions; offenses) and 3 V.S.A. § 127 (Unauthorized practice). These violations do not constitute a finding of unprofessional conduct.

Understandings

6. Respondent admits the facts above are true and the conditions below are necessary to protect the public.
7. Respondent understands that this Pre-Charge Stipulation and Consent Order will be reviewed and the Board of Nursing may accept or reject the Order set forth below. If the Board rejects all or any portion of the Order, then this entire document shall be null and void.
8. Respondent specifically waives any claim that any disclosures made to the Board during its review of this agreement prejudice Respondent's right to a fair and impartial hearing if this agreement is not accepted and proceeds to a merits hearing before the same Board.

9. Respondent has read this document fully and agrees it contains the entire agreement between the parties.
10. This Pre-Charge Stipulation and Consent Order is entered into voluntarily by Respondent after the opportunity to consult with legal counsel. Respondent has not been coerced by anyone into signing this Pre-Charge Stipulation and Consent Order.
11. Respondent voluntarily waives the right to a contested hearing and waives any right to appeal this Pre-Charge Stipulation and Consent Order.
12. Respondent is of sound mind and is not under the influence of drugs or alcohol when signing this Pre-Charge Stipulation and Consent Order.
13. Respondent agrees the Order set forth below may be entered, will be a binding Order upon Respondent, and will be made public.
14. Respondent understands that Respondent is responsible for all compliance costs associated with this Pre-Charge Stipulation and Consent Order and any violation of this Order may result in additional disciplinary action.

ORDER

Based upon the above stipulation, it is **ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** as follows:

- A. Respondent shall pay a **MONETARY CIVIL PENALTY OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500)** within 90 days of entry of this Order.
- B. This Pre-charge Stipulation and Consent Order is a matter of public record and may be reported to other licensing authorities as provided in 3 V.S.A. § 129(a).
- C. This Pre-charge Stipulation and Consent Order does not constitute a finding of unprofessional conduct.
- D. This Pre-charge Stipulation and Consent Order will remain part of Respondent's licensing file and may be considered relative to any future disciplinary matter.

AGREED TO:

**STATE OF VERMONT
SECRETARY OF STATE**

Signed by:
Rachel Heath
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Rachel Heath
Prosecuting Attorney

Dated: 7/16/2026

Respondent

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Julie Gauthier
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Julie Gauthier

Dated: 7/15/2026

APPROVED AND SO ORDERED:

Vermont Board of Nursing

Signed by:
William James Floyd III
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Chairperson

Dated: 8/10/2026

Date of Entry: 8/11/26