

**STATE OF VERMONT
BOARD OF NURSING**

IN RE: Helen Bowdy License Nos: 25-6778 75-1056	)))))	Docket No. NU83-0601
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STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER

STIPULATION

NOW COMES the State of Vermont, through its Attorney General, William H. Sorrell, and Respondent, Helen Bowdy, who stipulate and agree as follows:

1. The Vermont Board of Nursing has jurisdiction to investigate and adjudicate allegations of unprofessional conduct committed by nurses and nursing assistants pursuant to 3 V.S.A. §§129, 129a; 26 V.S.A. §§1574, 1582, 1595 and 1598; the Board of Nursing's Rules and the Office of Professional Regulation's Rules.
2. Respondent Helen Bowdy, of Belvidere, Vermont, is a licensed practical nurse holding license number 25-6778 issued by the State of Vermont. This license was originally issued on about April 15, 1992 and it is currently active.
3. Respondent was issued a nursing assistant license by the State of Vermont, number 75-1056, originally on about January 10, 1991 and which lapsed on about January 31, 1993.
4. At all times relevant, Respondent was employed by or associated with Genesis Eldercare of Morrisville, Vermont. Respondent's position was suspended on about May 26, 2001 and terminated shortly after.

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5. Respondent admits that on or about May 26, 2001, she gave a schedule II, controlled medication that had been prescribed to herself (two 5 m.g. Dexedrine tablets) to another person.
6. Respondent admits the conclusions of unprofessional conduct as set forth below in the Board's Order.
7. Respondent understands that the Nursing Board must review and accept the terms of the Consent Order. If the Board rejects any portion, the entire Stipulation and Consent Order shall be null and void.
8. Respondent has read and reviewed this entire document and agrees that it contains the entire agreement between the parties.
9. Respondent waives any notification period and requests that this be heard at the next available Board meeting. Respondent specifically waives any claims that any disclosures made to the full Board during its review of this agreement have prejudiced her rights to a fair and impartial hearing in future hearings if this agreement is not accepted by the Board.
10. Respondent is not under the influence of any drugs or alcohol at the time she signs this Stipulation and Consent Order.
11. Respondent voluntarily enters this agreement after the opportunity to consult with legal counsel and is not being coerced by anyone into signing this Stipulation and Consent Order.
12. Respondent voluntarily waives her right to charges and a contested hearing before the Board of Nursing.
13. Respondent agrees that the Board may set forth the order below.

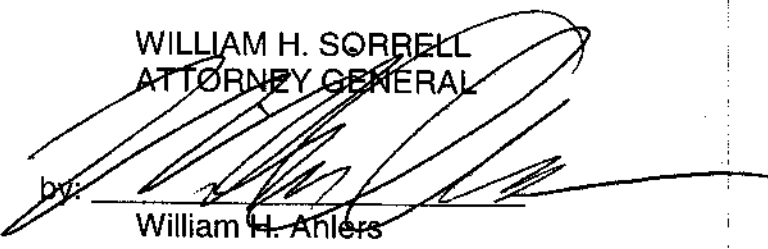
ORDER

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

- A. By engaging in the conduct described in each of the act(s), omission(s) and/or circumstance(s) in the paragraphs above, Respondent acted unprofessionally pursuant to and in violation of Nursing Board Rules: Chapter 4, Rule IV(B)(4)(d)(diverting supplies, equipment or drugs for personal or other unauthorized use); (Chapter 4, Rule IV(B)(2)(a) (performance of unsafe or unacceptable nursing care); Chapter 4, Rule IV(B)(2)(b) (failure to conform to the essential standards of acceptable and prevailing nursing practice), and: 3 V.S.A. §129a(a)(3) (failing to comply with provisions of federal or state statutes or rules governing the practice of the profession).
- B. The Nursing Board **REPRIMANDS** the Respondent.
- C. This 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).
- D. This Stipulation and Consent Order will remain part of Respondent's licensing file and may be used for purposes of determining sanctions in any future disciplinary matter.

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WILLIAM H. SORRELL
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by: 

William H. Ahlers
Assistant Attorney General

Dated: 1/22/02

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RESPONDENT
HELEN BOWDY

Dated: Jan 28, 2002

by: Helen Bowdy
Helen Bowdy

APPROVED AND SO ORDERED:

VERMONT BOARD OF NURSING

Dated: 2/11/02

by: Juan Farrell
Chairperson

Date of entry: 2/12/02

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