BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING

LANDON STATE OFFICE BUILDING, 900 S.W. JACKSON #1051

TOPEKA, KANSAS 66612-1230

IN THE MATTER OF **GRACE LORAINE STEPHENS** LICENSE NO. 14-080851-102

DEFAULT ORDER to LIFT STAY of SUSPENSION OF LICENSE UNTIL SAFE TO

PRACTICE

Now on this 3rd day of November, 2004 the petitioner's motion to lift the stay on respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of Kansas comes on for hearing. The respondent was called three times by telephone but did not answer and appears not. The petitioner, the board of nursing, by and through disciplinary counsel for the board, Betty Wright, and after a full and fair hearing the hearing officer makes the following findings and orders:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- Respondent's address of record is 11700 E. Waterman #271 Wichita, KS 67207. 1.
- 2. The respondent is licensed as an RN through 10/31/2004. The license is currently lapsed, however the hearing officer has jurisdiction since the petition was filed 10/21/2004.
- 3. The Board's request to proceed under K.S.A. 77-536, is granted due to there being a situation involving an immediate danger to the public health, safety or welfare requiring immediate state agency action. The Respondent does not object to proceeding under emergency procedures.
- Petitioner moves for issuance of a proposed default order suspending license. 4.
- 5. The petitioner's request is granted by default.
- The petition is hereby granted and incorporated into this order as if set forth herein. 6. respondent violated:

K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(6), unprofessional conduct by K.A.R. 60-3-110 (r) failing to comply with any disciplinary order of the board; and K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(6), unprofessional conduct by K.A.R. 60-3-110 (s) failing to complete the requirements of the impaired provider program of the board; K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(4), to be unable to practice with skill and safety due to current abuse of drugs or alcohol.

- 7. The hearing officer finds that the Stay of Suspension should be lifted and the license IS SUSPENDED and the respondent shall not practice as a nurse until further order of the Board.
- 8. The cost of this action \$70 are assessed to the licensee.
- 9. Disciplinary counsel shall mail a copy of this order to respondent's last known address.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



This is a proposed default order pursuant to K.S.A. 77-520. This order becomes effective if respondent does not file a <u>written</u> motion requesting that this order be vacated with the board at:

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within <u>seven days</u> after the day this order is mailed. If a motion is timely filed, then a hearing will be set and notice given to respondent to appear. Another order will then be issued either vacating or affirming this order.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On the 4th day of November, 2004, I mailed a copy of this default order to:

Grace Loraine Stephens 11700 E. Waterman #271 Wichita, KS 67207

Betty Wright, Assistant Attorney General 785-296-7047