

IN THE MATTER OF
BARABARA J. WHITCOMB
License Number: R169358

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BEFORE THE MARYLAND
BOARD OF NURSING
OAG CASE No. 22 – BP – 057

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ORDER CONTINUING SUMMARY SUSPENSION OF REGISTERED NURSE LICENSE

On November 29, 2022, the Maryland Board of Nursing (“the Board”) issued an “Order for Summary Suspension of Choose an item. Pursuant to Section 10-226(c)(2) of the Administrative Procedure Act” to **Barbara J. Whitcomb – R169358** (“the Respondent”). On December 14, 2022, the Board held a Show Cause Hearing to give the Respondent an opportunity to present argument as to why the Board should not continue the summary suspension of the Respondent’s license. The Respondent failed to appear at the Show Cause Hearing. The Administrative Prosecutor was present at the Show Cause Hearing on behalf of the State. After considering the oral argument(s) presented at the Show Cause Hearing, the Board decided to continue the summary suspension of the Respondent’s license to practice as a registered nurse in the State of Maryland.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Board concludes that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires continued emergency action in this case under Md. Code Ann., State Gov’t § 10-226(c)(2) (2021).

ORDER

Based on the foregoing, it is hereby:

ORDERED that the **SUMMARY SUSPENSION** of the Respondent’s license to practice as a Registered Nurse, license number R169358, in the State of Maryland is **CONTINUED** until further Order of the Board in this case; and it is further

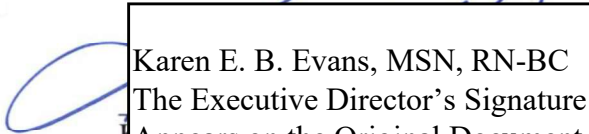
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ORDERED that an evidentiary hearing on the merits of the Order for Summary Suspension will be scheduled before the Board of Nursing if the Respondent submits a written request to the Board **no later than thirty (30) days from the date of this Order**; and it is further

ORDERED that if the Respondent does not submit a timely written request to the Board for an evidentiary hearing within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order, the Respondent shall have waived all rights now and in the future to an evidentiary hearing; and it is further

ORDERED that this Order Continuing Summary Suspension is a **PUBLIC RECORD** pursuant to Maryland Code Ann., General Provisions §§ 4-101 *et seq.* (2019).

12/14/2022
Date


Karen E. B. Evans, MSN, RN-BC
The Executive Director's Signature
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Maryland Board of Nursing