The attached are Primary Source Documents of the Idaho Board of Nursing for:

LEA WHITCHER
N-26189
BEFORE THE IDAHO STATE BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of the License of:

LEA KRISTINE WHITCHER,
aka Lea Kristine Anderson,
License No. N-26189,

Respondent.

Case No. BON 06-057

FINDINGS OF FACT,
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND
FINAL ORDER

Having reviewed the documents appended hereto, the Idaho State Board of Nursing (the "Board") enters the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Lea Kristine Whitcher ("Respondent") has been licensed by the Idaho State Board of Nursing under License No. N-26189 to engage in the practice of nursing in the State of Idaho.

2. On or about September 5, 2006, the Board received a Report of Violation of the Nurse Practice Act from Respondent’s employer, Kootenai Medical Center in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. The report and subsequent investigation indicated that:
   
a. On August 14, 2006, a Kootenai Medical Center nurse gave a report to Respondent about the patient in room 236. Respondent assumed the patient’s care and the first nurse left the room.

   b. Approximately ten minutes later, the first nurse returned and noticed the curtain had been closed around the patient. The first nurse pulled back the curtain to check on the patient. When she did so, she found Respondent sitting next to the patient controlled anesthesia (PCA) pump. Respondent had two syringes in her hand, one of which had a needle on it and the other of which was filled with a clear liquid. The PCA pump was open. Respondent claimed she was merely checking the PCA settings.

   c. After Respondent left room 236, the first nurse reviewed the history
on the PCA pump. The history revealed that Respondent had opened the PCA pump for four minutes and had removed and replaced a cartridge filled with fentanyl, a narcotic analgesic. The nurse notified the pharmacist and the supervisor of her findings, removed the fentanyl cartridge in the PCA pump, and gave the cartridge to the pharmacist. It took the nurse only one and one-half minutes to change the PCA cartridge and check the settings.

d. On August 18, 2006, Kootenai Medical Center asked Respondent to submit to a drug screening test. Respondent acquiesced and tested positive for lorazepam, a drug for which Respondent lacked a current prescription. (Respondent advised she did have an old prescription for lorazepam and still occasionally used the drug for migraine headaches.)

e. An audit of Pyxis and pharmacy records revealed that during a nearly three month period—from May 17, 2006, through August 14, 2006—Respondent had the highest or near highest utilization rate for narcotics including fentanyl, hydrocodone, morphine, and oxycodone, and benzodiazepines including lorazepam and midazolam. The audit results were especially alarming because Respondent was an on-call nurse who had only worked for 15 days during the audit period.

f. In light of the audit findings and the first nurse’s report of Respondent’s activity near the PCA pump, Kootenai Medical Center informed Respondent on August 25, 2006, that it would also be testing her urine sample for fentanyl and that she would be required to remain off work until the results were received.

g. On August 27, 2006, Respondent left a message with Kootenai Medical Center advising that the additional testing for fentanyl was unnecessary because she was resigning her position.

h. On September 5, 2006, Kootenai Medical Center received the additional testing results for Respondent’s urine. The test was positive for fentanyl.

3. On or about February 5, 2007, Respondent voluntarily surrendered her
license—admitting to the “use of narcotics not prescribed to me while working as an RN”—and agreed to immediately enter treatment and participate in a monitoring program. A true and correct copy of Respondent’s Voluntary Surrender of License is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

4. On June 5, 2007, the Program for Recovering Nurses (PRN)—i.e., the monitoring program—sent a letter to the Board notifying the Board that Respondent had failed to sign a contract or otherwise participate in the monitoring program. A true and correct copy of the June 5, 2007, letter from PRN to the Board is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

5. Accordingly, although Respondent voluntarily surrendered her license and agreed to immediately enter treatment and participate in a monitoring program, she has failed to do so.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. As a licensed nurse in the State of Idaho, Respondent is subject to the jurisdiction of the Board and to the provisions of title 54, chapter 14, Idaho Code.

2. Respondent’s Idaho License No. N-26189 is conditioned upon her complying with the laws and rules of the Idaho State Board of Nursing.

3. Pursuant to Idaho Code § 54-1413(3)(a), Respondent’s voluntary surrender of her license empowers the Board, without a hearing, to revoke or suspend Respondent’s license and/or impose such conditions, limitations, or restrictions on her license as the Board in its discretion may deem appropriate.

ORDER

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and good cause being shown, it is hereby ordered that:

1. License No. N-26189 issued to Lea Kristine Whitcher is:

   X  Revoked: Respondent may not apply for reinstatement for a two (2) year period after entry of this Order or a _____ year period after entry of this Order, whichever period is greater.
Suspended: ___ days ___ year(s) ___ indefinitely.

Respondent's license shall be a single-state license during the term of suspension and Respondent shall not be eligible to practice in any other state participating in the Nurse Licensure Compact with the State of Idaho.

2. At such time as Respondent requests reinstatement of licensure, she shall comply with the requirements of Idaho Code § 54-1411(3) and IDAPA 23.01.01.120. This will include, but is not limited to, providing the following information to the Board:

   a. Evidence of abstinence from the use of non-medically prescribed drugs and alcohol;

   b. Documentation that she is rehabilitated and competent to practice nursing by submitting:

      i. A comprehensive drug/alcohol evaluation completed by a qualified health care provider at the time of application for reinstatement.

      ii. A detailed summary of employment since licensure revocation or suspension; and

      iii. Documentation of activities engaged in to address drug/alcohol issues, to include documentation of an active recovery program.

3. The Board reserves the right to assess investigative costs and attorney fees incurred in this matter as a condition of reinstatement.

This order is effective immediately.

DATED this ___ day of ___ 2007.

IDAHO STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By

Susan Odom, Ph.D., R.N.
Chair
NOTICE OF DUE PROCESS RIGHTS

This is a final order of the Board. Any party may file a motion for reconsideration of this final order within fourteen (14) days of the service date of this order. The Board will dispose of the petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of its receipt, or the petition will be considered denied by operation of law. See Idaho Code § 67-5246(4).

Pursuant to Idaho Code §§ 67-5270 and 67-5272, any party aggrieved by this final order or orders previously issued in this case may appeal this final order and all previously issued orders in this case to district court by filing a petition in the district court of the county in which:

a. A hearing was held,
b. The final agency action was taken,
c. The party seeking review of the order resides, or
d. The real property or personal property that was the subject of the agency action is located.

An appeal must be filed within twenty-eight (28) days (a) of the service date of this final order, (b) of an order denying petition for reconsideration, or (c) the failure within twenty-one (21) days to grant or deny a petition for reconsideration, whichever is later. See Idaho Code § 67-5273. The filing of an appeal to district court does not itself stay the effectiveness or enforcement of the order under appeal.
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 25TH day of July, 2007, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing by the following method to:

Lea Kristine Whitcher
1313 N. Samantha
Liberty Lake, WA 99019

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☐ Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested
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☐ Facsimile: _____________________________
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Karl T. Klein
Deputy Attorney General
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0010

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Sandra Evans, M.A.Ed., R.N.
Executive Director
Board of Nursing
To: Chanel Johnson
From: Lea Whitcher

RULE 132.04.
VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF LICENSE

I, Lea K Whitcher, by affixing my signature hereto, acknowledge that:

1. I admit that I have engaged in the following conduct: USE OF NARCOTICS not prescribed to me while working as an RN.

2. I understand that the admitted facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to the Nursing Practice Act, Idaho Code §54-1413(1) and the rules of the Board, IDAPA 23.01.01, et seq. I also understand that the Board of Nursing has the authority to accept this voluntary surrender pursuant to Idaho Code §54-1413(2)(a).

3. I am aware that, without my consent, no legal action can be taken against me, except pursuant to the Idaho Administrative Procedures Act, Chapter 52, Title 67, Idaho Code.

4. I understand that I have the following rights, among others: the right to a formal fact finding hearing before the Board, to reasonable notice of said hearing, to representation by counsel, to present evidence and testimony on my behalf, to compel the testimony of witnesses, and to cross-examine witnesses against me; and

5. I waive all such rights, including the right to a formal disciplinary hearing.

6. I also waive the right to challenge the board for bias in the event that charges concerning these admitted facts or any other matter involving my license are brought before the board.

7. In lieu of a formal disciplinary hearing, I hereby voluntarily surrender license number N-26189 and will immediately discontinue the practice of nursing in Idaho.

8. As required by Board of Nursing Rule 132, IDAPA 23.01.01.132.04, I agree to enter treatment immediately, to participate in a monitoring program and to resume the practice of nursing only at such time as a conditional limited license has been issued to me.

9. I understand that Board of Nursing representatives will, if questioned, report the status of my license as "surrendered."

Dated: 5th Feb 2007

Lea K Whitcher
Signature of Licensee

1313 N. Samantha
Address
Liberty Lake, WA 99019

Dated: 5th Feb 2007

Kelli Jansen
Signature of Witness

6/99-PRN

I will mail you a copy of my license. Thanks.
If you need to contact me you can
Teach me at home 509-893-8794 or
on my new cell phone 509-768-8104. I am

509-893-8794
June 5, 2007

Idaho State Board of Nursing
ATTN: Sandra Evans
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0061

RE: Lea Whitcher

Dear Ms. Evans,

This letter is being sent to notify you that Ms. Lea Whitcher, a Board of Nursing referral, is currently not in compliance with the Program for Recovering Nurses (PRN).

The PRN received a copy of Ms. Whitcher's voluntary surrender of license form on February 9, 2007. Ms. Whitcher was instructed to contact the PRN within seven (7) days. Our first communication with Ms. Whitcher was on February 21, 2007, during this communication we asked Ms. Whitcher to get a Drug/Alcohol evaluation at the PRN's expense. We received the results of her evaluation on May 11, 2007.

Once we had the evaluation results, a contract was set up with a deadline to get it back to the office no later than June 4, 2007. Ms. Whitcher contacted us via e-mail regarding her contract conditions. She stated due to her constant travel as a sales representative she would not be able to attend 90 meetings in 90 days, would not be able to attend the Nurse Support Group, and would not be able to handle the daily call-in's to NCPS for UA testing. Ms. Whitcher was notified that she needed to decide whether to sign and comply with the contract or not. Should she decide not to sign and return the contract by the previously mentioned deadline of June 4, 2007 she was notified she would be turned back over to the Board of Nursing. As of this date, no contract has been received.

We look forward to receiving further guidance from the Board of Nursing regarding this issue. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (208) 323-9555.

Sincerely,

Ashley Stewart
Compliance Monitor
Southworth Associates

cc: Lea Whitcher

The Program for Recovering Nurses: Protecting the public safety, health and welfare by assisting nurses in their recovery and return to safe practice.
BEFORE THE IDAHO STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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Case No. BON 06-057
NOTICE OF DISMISSAL

Pursuant to IDAPA 04.11.01.305, the Idaho State Board of Nursing hereby gives notice of dismissal with prejudice of the above-entitled matter.

DATED this 13TH day of February, 2007.

IDAHO STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By ____________________________
Sandra Evans, M.A.Ed., R.N.
Executive Director

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 13TH day of February, 2007, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing by the following method to:

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Board of Nursing

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**To:**
LEA WHITCHER
1316 N SAMANTHA RD
LIBERTY LAKE WA 99019

**Postmark Date:**
2-14-07
A formal complaint was filed against Lea. She has filed a written response to the complaint.

The complaint charges that in 2006, while working as a nurse at a hospital, Lea diverted medication. The complaint charges that Lea tested positive for lorazepam, a drug for which she did not have a current prescription and that Lea also tested positive for fentanyl. Furthermore, the complaint alleges that an audit of the Pyxis and pharmacy records revealed that Lea had the highest or near highest utilization rate for narcotics including fentanyl, hydrocodone, morphine and oxycodone, and benzodiazepines including lorazepam and midazolam, despite being an on-call nurse with only 15 days worked during the three (3) month audit period.

In her written answer to the complaint, Lea admits that she was using narcotics while working but denies that she took the drugs from patients. Lea claims that she was involved in a bicycling accident in August 2006 and started taking using her grandmother's fentanyl patches for the pain. The nurse says she has now discontinued using the fentanyl, is only using Imitrex for her migraine headaches and has enrolled in narcotics anonymous. Lea says she cannot enroll in a full-time rehabilitation program because she is the sole support for her three small boys, but that she would agree to submit to random drug screens if that would allow her to keep her license.

The complaint charges Lea with being grossly negligent or reckless; habitually using narcotics or drugs, and violation of Board of Nursing rules prohibiting habitual use of drugs; conduct designed to deceive, defraud or endanger; practicing nursing while impaired and diversion of a drug.

Idaho Code § 54-1413(1)(d), (e), (g) and (h) provides the statutory authority for disciplinary action. Proof of a violation of any of the charged conduct is sufficient to impose discipline against Lea. The Board has authority and jurisdiction to enter an Order imposing discipline to include: a letter of reprimand, conditions and limitations on the license, probation, suspension or revocation. In addition, the Board may impose investigation costs and prosecution costs.

While a formal evidentiary hearing has been scheduled for the February 8, 2007 BON meeting, it appears that Lea has requested to have the hearing rescheduled because of a conflict. The parties are currently discussing rescheduling the hearing, provided Lea agree to not practice nursing until the matter can be brought before the board.

MOTION:
I MOVE THAT THE BOARD

REVOKE: ____________________________
SUSPEND: _____ for a term of: ____________________________
CONDITION: ____________________________
Other: ____________________________

RESPONDENT'S LICENSE NUMBERED N-26189 ON THE GROUNDS THAT RESPONDENT VIOLATED THE NURSING PRACTICE ACT BY: ____________________________________________________________

__________________________________________  ____________________________
Signature  Date

2/07
BEFORE THE IDAHO STATE BOARD OF NURSING


Case No. BON 06-057 COMPLAINT

To: Lea K. Whitcher
1316 N. Samantha Road
Liberty Lake, WA 99019

1.

The Idaho State Board of Nursing (hereinafter the "Board") is empowered by Idaho Code § 54-1404 to regulate the practice of nursing in the State of Idaho.

2.

Lea Kristine Whitcher aka Lea Kristine Anderson (hereinafter "Respondent") is licensed to engage in the practice of nursing by the Idaho State Board of Nursing under License No. N-26189.

3.

At all times relevant herein, Respondent was employed by Kootenai Medical Center in Coeur d’Alene, Idaho.

4.

On August 14, 2006, a Kootenai Medical Center nurse gave a report to Respondent about the patient in room 236. Respondent assumed the patient’s care and the first nurse left the room.

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Approximately ten minutes later, the first nurse returned and noticed the curtain had been closed around the patient. The first nurse pulled back the curtain to check on the patient. When she did so, she found Respondent sitting next to the patient controlled anesthesia (PCA) pump. Respondent had two syringes in her hand, one of which had a COMPLAINT - 1
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In light of the audit findings and the first nurse’s report of Respondent’s activity near the PCA pump, Kootenai Medical Center informed Respondent on August 25, 2006, that it would also be testing her urine sample for fentanyl and that she would be required to remain off work until the results were received.
10.

On August 27, 2006, Respondent left a message with Kootenai Medical Center advising that the additional testing for fentanyl was unnecessary because she was resigning her position.

11.

On September 5, 2006, Kootenai Medical Center received the additional testing results for Respondent’s urine. The test was positive for fentanyl.

12.

Respondent’s conduct as described above constitutes violations of the laws governing the practice of nursing, specifically Idaho Code §§ 54-1413(1)(d), (e), (g) and (h) and Board Rules (IDAPA 23.01.01) 100.06, 100.08, 101.04.d, 101.04.e and 101.05.f.

WHEREFORE, the Idaho State Board of Nursing prays for the following action:

1. That a hearing commence at a designated time to allow evidence on the allegations contained in the Complaint to be presented before the Board or the Board’s designated hearing officer;

2. That subsequent to taking evidence, the waiver of a hearing, or the failure of the Respondent to file an Answer to this administrative Complaint, that the Board, or its designated hearing officer, shall issue findings of fact and conclusions of law finding the violations of law alleged herein;

3. That the Board determine whether the license of Respondent Lea Kristine Whitcher aka Lea Kristine Anderson should be suspended, revoked or otherwise disciplined pursuant to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board of Nursing;

4. That Respondent be ordered to pay the Board’s expenses incurred in investigating and prosecuting this matter including without limitation attorney fees and costs; and

5. For such other and further relief as the Board deems just and proper in the circumstances.

COMPLAINT - 3
DATED this 1st day of DECEMBER, 2006.

IDAHO STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By Sandra Evans, M.A.Ed., R.N.
Executive Director

NOTIFICATION OF PROCEDURAL RIGHTS

Pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act codified at title 67, chapter 52, Idaho Code, and the Idaho Rules of the Administrative Procedure of the Attorney General, promulgated at IDAPA 04.11.01, if you wish to contest the charges set forth in this Complaint, you must: (1) file with the Idaho State Board of Nursing a verified Answer to the allegations contained herein within twenty-one (21) days after you are served with this Complaint and (2) request an evidentiary hearing on the charges. You are further notified that if you fail to answer and/or request a hearing, the Board may enter a default against you and be granted the relief sought in this Complaint. Upon receipt of your Answer and request for hearing, the matter will be reviewed and a hearing scheduled. You will then be notified of the date, time and place of the hearing, the name of the hearing officer appointed by the Board (if any) and further notification of your procedural rights and responsibilities.

You also have the right to be represented by legal counsel, at your own expense, during this administrative proceeding.

Copies of the Administrative Procedure Act and the Idaho Rules of the Administrative Procedure of the Attorney General may be obtained at the Idaho State Law Library.

All original official documents must be filed with the Board at the following address:

Idaho State Board of Nursing
280 N. Eighth Street, Suite 210
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0061
Telephone: (208) 334-3110
Facsimile: (208) 334-3262
A copy of the Answer and every pleading, motion or subsequent document filed with the Board must also be served upon legal counsel for the Board at the following address:

Karl T. Klein  
Deputy Attorney General  
Civil Litigation Division  
P.O. Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0010

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this ___ST___ day of ___DECEMBER___, 2006, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing addressed as follows:

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(208) 334-3262 fax

To Whom it May Concern,

I am contacting you in regards to the request that I appear before the Board of Nursing on 8th of Feb 2007. I unfortunately have a scheduling conflict. I am currently working as a Real Estate Appraiser and I am required to have so many CE’s per year to maintain my license. I am scheduled for a course that goes from Feb 6 2007 to 24 Feb, and I won’t be returning until 25 Feb. Is it possible to reschedule this? I have attached a copy of the course schedule as well as my airline itinerary. You can contact me by mail at 1313 N Samantha, Liberty Lake, WA 99019, by email lkwhitcher@msn.com, or by phone (509)893-8794. I have unfortunately misplaced my cell phone, so if you call and I am not home, please leave a message and I will get back to you.

Thank you for your understanding  
Lea Whitcher
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Your Itinerary:

Flight: America West flight 230 on an Airbus Jet
Depart: Spokane, WA (GEG) - Mon, Feb 05 at 8:15am
Arrive: Phoenix, AZ (PHX) - Mon, Feb 05 at 11:49am

Flight: America West flight 1644 operated by US AIRWAYS on an Airbus 321 Jet
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Arrive: Charlotte, NC (CLT) - Mon, Feb 05 at 6:46pm

Flight: America West flight 2528 operated by US AIRWAYS EXPRESS-PSA A Canadair Regional Jet
Depart: Charlotte, NC (CLT) - Mon, Feb 05 at 10:06pm
Arrive: Jacksonville, NC (OAJ) - Mon, Feb 05 at 10:57pm

Flight: United flight 3284 operated by US AIRWAYS EXPRESS-PSA AIRLINER Regional Jet
Depart: Jacksonville, NC (OAJ) - Sun, Feb 25 at 12:21pm
Arrive: Charlotte, NC (CLT) - Sun, Feb 25 at 1:24pm

Flight: United flight 411 on a Boeing 737-300 Jet
Depart: Charlotte, NC (CLT) - Sun, Feb 25 at 3:58pm
Arrive: Chicago-O'Hare, IL (ORD) - Sun, Feb 25 at 6:16pm

Flight: United flight 371 on a Boeing 737-300 Jet
Depart: Chicago-O'Hare, IL (ORD) - Sun, Feb 25 at 8:20pm
Arrive: Spokane, WA (GEG) - Sun, Feb 25 at 10:20pm

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  * Middle Name/Initial: K
  * Last Name/Surname: WHITCHER
  * Company name: 
    * Address: 1313 N SAMANTHA
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  * State/Province: WA - Washington
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  * Country: United States

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FROM: DAPHNE PULLIAM

FAX: 5098918009
TEL: 5098918050

COMMENT:
BEFORE THE IDAHO STATE BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of the License of: 

LEA KRISTINE WHITCHER,
aka Lea Kristine Anderson,
License No. N-26189,

Respondent. 

Case No. BON 06-057

NOTICE OF HEARING

To: Lea K. Whitcher
1316 N. Samantha Road
Liberty Lake, WA  99019

Pursuant to the provisions of title 54, chapter 14, Idaho Code, and the duly promulgated rules of the Idaho State Board of Nursing, you are hereby notified and requested to appear before the Board on Thursday, February 8, 2007, at 3:00 p.m. (MST) at the Doubletree Club Hotel, 475 W. Parkcenter Boulevard, Parkecenter Room, Boise, Idaho, and from time to time thereafter as may be required by the Board, on whether your license should be suspended, revoked or otherwise disciplined.

You are further notified that you may appear with or without the assistance of an attorney on the day, time and place specified in this Notice of Hearing and present testimony with respect to the above noted issues.

All persons requiring assistance pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act in order to participate in or understand the hearing must request such assistance ten (10) days in advance of the hearing by contacting the Board Office at the number or address listed below.

The hearing will be conducted pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act codified at title 67, chapter 52, Idaho Code, and the Idaho Rules of Administrative Procedure of the Attorney General, promulgated at IDAPA 04.11.01. Copies of the Administrative Procedure Act and the Idaho Rules of Administrative Procedure of the Attorney General may be obtained at the Idaho State Law Library.

NOTICE OF HEARING - 1
All original official documents must be filed with the Idaho State Board of Nursing, 280 N. Eighth Street, Suite 210, Boise, ID 83720-0061; telephone (208) 334-3110; telefax (208) 334-3262 no later than January 29, 2007, at 5:00 p.m. A copy must be sent to:

Karl T. Klein  
Deputy Attorney General  
Civil Litigation Division  
P.O. Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0010

DATED this 12TH day of January, 2007.

IDAHO STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By ____________________________
Sandra Evans, M.A. Ed., R.N.  
Executive Director

NOTICE OF HEARING - 2
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 12th day of January, 2007, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing by the following method to:

Lea K. Whitcher
1316 N. Samantha Road
Liberty Lake, WA 99019

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☐ Facsimile: __________________________
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