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BEFORE THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF LICENSE NO. R035555 ISSUED TO:

LINDA J. ANDERSON

To practice professional nursing in the State of Maine

ORDER TERMINATING PROBATION

WHEREAS, on June 9, 1999, License No. R035555 issued to Linda J. Anderson was placed on "probation" pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. Section 2105-A (1-A); and

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2000, the Board of Nursing duly considered all evidence presented to it concerning Linda J. Anderson's compliance with the conditions of said probation; and

WHEREAS, the Board found that Linda J. Anderson has completed all of the Order;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is ordered that the Order of Probation executed on July 6, 1999 is hereby terminated.

DATED this 18th day of October 2000.

MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

BY: Myra Broadway
Myra A. Broadway, J.D., M.S., R.N.
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IN RE:)
 Linda J. O'Leary, R.N.) **CONSENT AGREEMENT**
 of Wiscasset, Maine) **REGARDING PROBATION**
 License #R035555)

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Linda J. O'Leary's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 10 M.R.S.A. Section 8003(5)(A-1)(4) and 32 M.R.S.A. Section 2105-A(1-A)(B). The parties to this Consent Agreement are: Linda J. O'Leary, Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Department of the Attorney General. The parties reached this Agreement following an informal conference on June 9, 1999 regarding information submitted by Winship Green Nursing Center, thru a FAX received June 2, 1998 and a June 4, 1998 memo from the Division of Licensing & Certification, Department of Human Services.

FACTS

As a result of the Board's review of this matter, the Board made the following findings of fact:

1. Ms. O'Leary admitted taking 83 Cylert pills from a drawer at Winship Green Nursing.
2. Ms. O'Leary pled guilty to and was convicted of stealing drugs.
3. Ms. O'Leary was sentenced to one year probation by the Court. The one year of probation will be completed in June 1999.
4. Ms. O'Leary has completed a substance abuse evaluation.

AGREEMENT

5. Ms. O'Leary agrees and understands that her conduct constitutes grounds for discipline under 32 M.R.S.A. Section 2105-A(2)(A), (2)(B), (2)(E), and (2)(F).



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6. Ms. O'Leary's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Maine is on probation. The period of probation will continue for a period of one year of nursing employment. Ms. O'Leary's license is subject to the following conditions:
 - a. Substance free: Ms. O'Leary will abstain completely from the use of drugs with the exception of substances used in accordance with a valid prescription from a physician who is aware of Ms. O'Leary's substance abuse history.
 - b. Notice to employer: Ms. O'Leary will notify any and all of her nursing employers of the terms of this Consent Agreement and shall provide them with a copy of it. For purposes of this Consent Agreement, nursing employment is any employment during which Ms. O'Leary performs nursing services or holds herself out as a nurse, such as through the designation "RN".
 - c. Employer quarterly reports: Ms. O'Leary will arrange for and ensure the submission to the Board of quarterly reports addressing her professional conduct from her nursing employer(s).
 - d. Notice of employment status: Ms. O'Leary will immediately notify the Board in writing of any employment in the field of nursing, including the place and position of employment, and any change in nursing employment thereafter.
 - e. Confidentiality and Release of Records: Ms. O'Leary agrees that the Board and the Department of Attorney General shall have access to any and all medical records and all otherwise confidential or medically privileged information pertaining to her substance abuse and chemical dependency which the Board deems necessary to evaluate Ms. O'Leary's compliance with this Consent Agreement and her continued recovery.
 - f. Term of probationary status: Ms. O'Leary agrees and understands that her license will remain on probationary status and subject to the terms of this Agreement beyond the one year period, until and unless the Board, at Ms. O'Leary's written request, votes to terminate Ms. O'Leary's probation. When considering whether to terminate the probation, the Board will consider the degree to which Ms. O'Leary has complied with the provisions of this Agreement.
7. Ms. O'Leary understands that this document imposes discipline regarding her license as a registered professional nurse in the State of Maine. Ms. O'Leary understands that she does not have to execute this Consent Agreement and that she has the right to consult with an attorney before entering the Consent Agreement. Modification of this Consent Agreement must be in writing and signed by all parties. Ms. O'Leary affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.

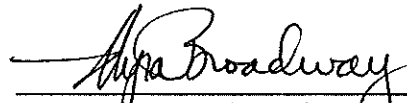
8. The Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.

DATED: 6-30-99


LINDA J. O'LEARY, R.N.

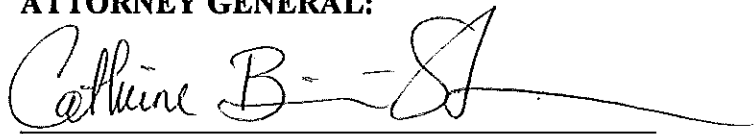
**FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD
OF NURSING:**

DATED: July 2, 1999


MYRA A. BROADWAY, J.D., M.S., R.N.

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
ATTORNEY GENERAL:**

DATED: 7-6-99


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