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IN RE:		
CARRIE L. BARNES, L.P.N.)	CONSENT AGREEMENT
of Jay, Maine)	REGARDING REPRIMAND
License #P010888)	

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Carrie L. Barnes' license to practice practical nursing in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this Consent Agreement pursuant to 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5)(B) and 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(1-A). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Carrie L. Barnes, the Maine State Board of Nursing ('the Board'') and the Department of Attorney General, State of Maine. This Consent Agreement arose out of an informal conference held on April 15, 1998 to discuss the information submitted by Sandy River Nursing Care Center by letter dated June 17, 1997 and submitted by the Department of Human Services, Division of Licensing and Certification, by letters dated June 23 and July 9, 1997.

FACTS

- 1. Carrie L. Barnes was terminated from her employment at Sandy River Nursing Care Center on June 17, 1997.
- 2. Marie Lloyd, R.N., Health Service Consultant for the Division of Licensing and Certification, Department of Human Services, investigated the circumstances of alleged abuse leading to Carrie L. Barnes' termination including a complaint that Carrie L. Barnes caused mental anguish to a resident with dementia. Based upon her investigation, Ms. Lloyd concluded that the allegations of abuse were substantiated.
- 3. Carrie L. Barnes neither admits nor denies the allegations of abuse but acknowledges that the Board has sufficient evidence to find that she engaged in unprofessional conduct within the meaning of 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(2)(F).

AGREEMENT

1. In order to resolve this matter without a hearing, Carrie L. Barnes agrees that her conduct constitutes grounds for discipline under 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(2)(F) and accepts a **REPRIMAND**.

- 2. In reliance upon Carrie L. Barnes' consent to this agreement, the Board agrees to take no further disciplinary action upon these facts.
- 3. Carrie L. Barnes understands that this document is a Consent Agreement which affects her license to practice practical nursing in Maine.
- 4. This Consent Agreement may be amended only in writing, signed by all the parties.
- 5. Carrie L. Barnes understands that she does not have to execute this Consent Agreement and that she has the right to consult with an attorney before entering this Consent Agreement.
- 6. Carrie L. Barnes affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.
- 7. This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the last necessary signature below.

DATED: 4/28/98

CARRIE L. BARNES, L.P.N.

M. THOMASINE BURKE, Esq. Counsel for Carrie L. Barnes

FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING:

DATED: May 8, 1998

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

Executive Director

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL:

DATED: May 8, 1958

Assistant Attorney General
Counsel to the Board