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IN RE: SUSAN M. O'CONNOR, L.P.N.)
 of Bangor, Maine) **CONSENT AGREEMENT**
 License #P010462) **FOR CENSURE**

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Susan M. O'Connor's license to practice practical nursing in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5)(A-1)(1), § 8003(5)(B) and 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(1-A)(A). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Susan M. O'Connor ("Licensee"), Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Office of the Attorney General, State of Maine. An informal conference was held on January 7, 2004. The parties reached this Agreement on the basis of information submitted by State of Maine, Department of Developmental Services, Bangor Mental Health Institute ("BMHI"), Bangor, Maine dated March 31, 2003.

FACTS

1. Susan M. O'Connor has been a licensed practical nurse since 1991.
2. Susan M. O'Connor admits that she did not follow BMHI's policy and protocols on maintaining a one-on-one contact with a patient who was in the "quiet room" and only being monitored by video.
3. Susan M. O'Connor admits that she slept while on the unit. *(on my break)*
4. Susan M. O'Connor admits that the above instances were contrary to BMHI's policies and procedures.
5. There was no documented patient harm connected to the above instances and Ms. O'Connor is still employed at BMHI.

AGREEMENT

6. Susan M. O'Connor agrees and understands that her conduct constitutes in the above stated facts are grounds for discipline under Title 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(2)(F), (2)(H) and Chapter 4.1.A.6. and Chapter 4.3.F. Susan M. O'Connor is hereby **CENSURED** for unprofessional conduct and for failing to take appropriate action or follow policies and procedures in a practice situation designed to safeguard the patient.



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7. Susan M. O'Connor understands that this Consent Agreement imposes discipline regarding her license to practice practical nursing in the State of Maine. Ms. O'Connor understands that she does not have to execute this Consent Agreement and that she has the right to consult with an attorney before entering into this Consent Agreement.
8. Susan M. O'Connor affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.
9. Modification of this Consent Agreement must be in writing and signed by all the parties.
10. This Consent Agreement is not subject to review or appeal by the Licensee, but may be enforced by an action in the Superior Court.
9. This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.

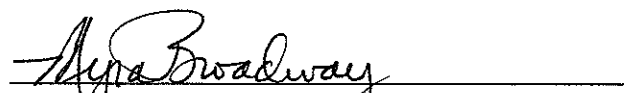
I, SUSAN M. O'CONNOR, L.P.N., HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING CONSENT AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING IT, I WAIVE CERTAIN RIGHTS. I SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY, WITHOUT ANY THREAT OR PROMISE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT CONTAINS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND THERE IS NO OTHER AGREEMENT OF ANY KIND.

DATED: 2/8/04


SUSAN M. O'CONNOR, L.P.N.

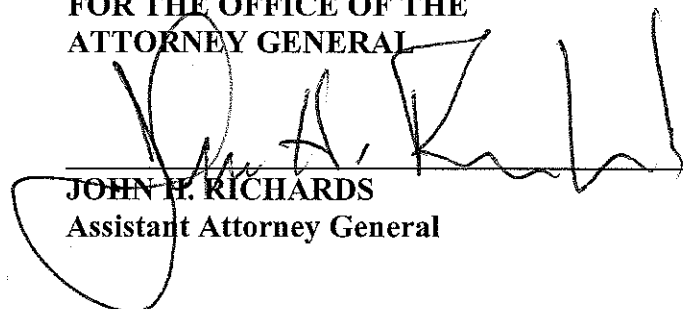
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