

Maine State Board of Nursing

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In Re: Dorothy R. Buerger, L.P.N.

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER AGREEMENT

By letter dated February 26, 1986, the Maine State Board of Nursing (hereinafter "the Board") requested that Ms. Buerger attend an informal conference under the authority of 32 M.R.S.A. Section 2105-A (1) discuss allegations of incompetence and drug diversion by Ms. Buerger. Ms. Buerger subsequently notified the Board by letter dated June 11, 1986 that she would be unable to attend the scheduled informal conference and voluntarily surrendered her license to practice as a Licensed Practical Nurse. At its meeting of June 26, 1986, the Board voted to accept Ms. Buerger's voluntary surrender of her license to practice as a Licensed Practical Nurse. It is the understanding of the parties to this agreement that the voluntary surrender of the license and acceptance of this surrender constitute a revocation of the license, and that all parties will treat said license as revoked under Maine Law. Ms. Buerger denies the allegations that she diverted drugs. The Board will in the future consider a request from Ms. Buerger for license reinstatement upon demonstration to the Board that her addiction to chemical substances has been controlled and that she is competent to practice nursing in a safe manner. Evidence of control of chemical substances would be demonstrated by her maintenance of chemical sobriety, as documented by a drug counselor, for such period of time as would indicate her ability to continue chemical sobriety while in possession of a license to practice nursing.

The Board may, in considering any request from Ms. Buerger for reinstatement, impose those conditions of probation that it deems necessary to insure that Ms. Buerger is chemically free and competent to safely practice nursing as a Licensed Practical Nurse.

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DATED: Oct. 28, 1986	SIGNED: Wartley R. Buerger
DATED: 10/31/86	SIGNED: Jean C. Caron MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING
	Jean C. Caron, R.N. Executive Director
DATED: 10/31/86	SIGNED: Martha F. Willard

Assistant Attorney General

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