

## MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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In re:
Betty S. Coubert
Of Bucksport, Maine
License #R009534

CONSENT AGREEMENT
REGARDING PROBATIONARY
STATUS OF LICENSE

## INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Betty S. Coubert's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Maine, entered into pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. Section 2105-A(1-A)(B) and 10 M.R.S.A. Section 8003(5)(B). The parties to this Consent Agreement are: Betty S. Coubert, the Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Department of Attorney General, State of Maine.

On October 29, 1985 the Board held an informal conference concerning allegations of drug diversion by Ms. Coubert. The Board voted to accept Ms. Coubert's voluntary surrender of her license. On April 5, 1993 Ms. Coubert requested reinstatement of her registered nurse license. On June 15, 1993 Ms. Coubert met with the Board. At that time the Board voted to reinstate her license to practice professional nursing with certain conditions. This Consent Agreement reflects that decision.

## COVENANTS

The Board voted to enter in an agreement with Ms. Coubert under which her license is reinstated on probation for a minimum period of one year from the date that she may resume nursing employment, with the following conditions:

- 1. Ms. Coubert will remain completely substance-free.
- 2. Ms. Coubert will immediately notify the Board of any employment in the field of nursing, and of any change in nursing employment.
- 3. Ms. Coubert will notify any nurse employer of the existence of this Consent Agreement and of its terms.
- 4. Ms. Coubert must arrange for quarterly reports to the Board from any health care or nursing employer. Ms. Coubert waives any claims of confidentiality and privilege which she may have with respect to these reports.

- 5. Ms. Coubert agrees to seek a nursing refresher course.
- 6. Ms. Coubert agrees to undertake nursing employment only in a structured health care setting that includes supervision of her nursing performance.
- 7. At the end of the minimum one-year period of probation Ms. Coubert must request that the Board reinstate her license to practice professional nursing in good standing. Reinstatment will be within the discretion of the Board, based on compliance with the terms of this Consent Agreement.
- 8. The Board agrees to take no further action upon these facts so long as Ms. Coubert fully complies with these conditions.
- 9. Ms. Coubert understands that this document is a Consent Agreement which affects her rights to practice nursing in Maine. Ms. Coubert 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. Ms. Coubert afirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.

DATED: 10-15-93	BY: Betly & Couhert
	BÉTTY S. COUBERT
DATED: 10/18/93	FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING  BY: JEAN C. CARON, R.N., M.S. Executive Director
	FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL

DATED: 10/20/83

BY: COLLIER TIMOTHY W. COLLIER

Assistant Attorney General

Counsel to the Board