

STATE OF MAINE
BOARD OF NURSING

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 DANIELLE R. DOUCETTE) INTERIM CONSENT AGREEMENT
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 Complaint No. 2013-23)

PARTIES

This document is an Interim Consent Agreement, effective when signed by all parties, pertaining to a complaint filed against Danielle R. Doucette's license to practice registered professional nursing in the State of Maine. The parties to this Interim Consent Agreement are: Danielle R. Doucette ("Ms. Doucette"), the State of Maine Board of Nursing ("the Board") and the Maine Office of the Attorney General ("the Attorney General"). This Consent Agreement is entered into pursuant to 10 M.R.S. § 8003(5).

FACTS

1. Ms. Doucette is licensed by the Board as a registered professional nurse, license no. RN5687.
2. On or about February 12, 2013, a complaint was filed with the Board against Ms. Doucette alleging that Ms. Doucette had engaged in unlawful trafficking in scheduled drugs.
3. As a result of these allegations and other evidence, Ms. Doucette is the subject of a criminal investigation.
4. The Board is now prepared to set this matter for hearing.

5. Ms. Doucette desires to avoid testifying before the Board at a hearing to adjudicate the complaint in this matter prior to the completion of the criminal investigation and the resolution of any criminal charges that may result from that investigation.
Accordingly, Ms. Doucette requests that the Board postpone any adjudication of this matter pending the outcome of the criminal investigation.
6. This Interim Consent Agreement has been negotiated by legal counsel for Ms. Doucette and legal counsel for the Board in order to both postpone the hearing on this matter and ensure the protection of the public. Absent acceptance of this Interim Consent Agreement by signing and dating it and returning it to Jayne Winters, State of Maine Board of Nursing, 158 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0158 on or before July 17, 2013, the Board will hold an adjudicatory proceeding on this matter.
7. By signing this Interim Consent Agreement, Ms. Doucette waives, in her personal capacity and through legal counsel, any and all objections to, and hereby consents to the presentation of this proposed Interim Consent Agreement to the Board for possible ratification. Ms. Doucette waives, in her personal capacity and through legal counsel, any arguments of bias or otherwise against any of the Board members in the event that the Board ratifies or fails to ratify this proposed Interim Consent Agreement.

COVENANTS

8. Ms. Doucette acknowledges the facts as stated above and agrees to the IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION of her license to practice registered professional nursing in the State

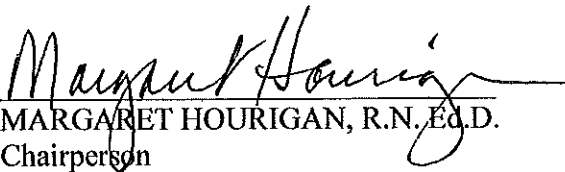
of Maine effective upon final execution of this Interim Consent Agreement, which suspension shall remain in effect until such time as the Board takes final action regarding this complaint. Ms. Doucette understands and agrees that she will not practice nursing or render any nursing services to any person in the State of Maine during the term of this Interim Consent Agreement.

9. As consideration for Ms. Doucette's acceptance of this immediate license suspension, the Board agrees to postpone an adjudicatory hearing on this matter until the sooner of the following eventualities: (a) the date the criminal proceedings involving the allegations of this complaint are resolved; or (b) in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 10 of this Interim Consent Agreement.
10. Upon the request of any party to this Interim Consent Agreement and notice to the other parties, the Board shall set this matter for an adjudicatory hearing. The Board will not set the matter for hearing less than thirty (30) days after notice to the other parties of the request for hearing. The Board shall make reasonable efforts to ensure that the hearing occurs within sixty (60) days after notice to the other parties.
11. This Interim Consent Agreement is not appealable, constitutes interim disciplinary action, and is effective until modified or rescinded by the parties hereto or until the Board takes final action regarding this complaint.
12. The Board and the Office of the Attorney General may communicate and cooperate regarding any matter related to this Interim Consent Agreement.
13. Nothing in this Interim Consent Agreement shall restrict in any way the Board's or the Attorney General's authority or ability to investigate this matter further.

14. This Interim Consent Agreement is a public record within the meaning of 1 M.R.S. § 402 and will be available for inspection and copying by the public pursuant to 1 M.R.S. § 408.
15. The State of Maine is a "Party state" that has adopted the Nurse Licensure Compact ("Compact"), which is set out in Chapter 11 of the Board Rules. The State of Maine is Ms. Doucette's "Home state" of licensure and primary state of residence, which means that she has declared the State of Maine as her fixed permanent and principal home for legal purposes; her domicile. Other Party states in the Compact are referred to as "Remote states," which means Party states other than the Home state that have adopted the Compact. Ms. Doucette understands this Agreement is subject to the Compact.
16. Nothing in this Interim Consent Agreement shall be construed to affect any right or interest of any person not a party hereto.
17. Nothing in this Interim Consent Agreement shall be construed to prevent the Board from taking further disciplinary action against Ms. Doucette in the event that the allegations underlying the complaint are substantiated.
18. Violation of any of the terms or conditions this Interim Consent Agreement by Ms. Doucette shall constitute unprofessional conduct and grounds for discipline.
19. Ms. Doucette acknowledges by her signature hereto that she has read this Interim Consent Agreement, that she has had an opportunity to consult with an attorney before executing this Interim Consent Agreement, that she executed this Interim

Consent Agreement of her own free will, and that she agrees to abide by all terms and conditions set forth herein.

DATED: 7/17/13 
DANIELLE R. DOUCETTE

DATED: 8-7-13 
MARGARET HOURIGAN, R.N., Ed.D.
Chairperson
Maine State Board of Nursing

DATED: 8/7/2013 
ANDREW L. BLACK
Assistant Attorney General