

## MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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In re:
Jane B. Jack
of Bowdoinham, Maine
License #R019730

CONSENT AGREEMENT
REGARDING VOLUNTARY
SURRENDER OF LICENSE

## INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Jane B. Jack'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: Jane B. Jack, the Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Department of Attorney General, State of Maine.

By letter dated April 26, 1993, Ms. Jack was advised by the Board that it had received a report dated April 20, 1993 from Nancy Westrack, R.N., Clinical Director of the Kennebec Valley Medical Center, stating that Ms. Jack had been terminated from employment at the Kennebec Valley Medical Center after an incident involving a discrepancy in the morphine contents of a burette attached to a patient's IMED pump. On May 26, 1993 Ms. Jack replied by a memorandum faxed to the Board denying that she had been involved in any way in the missing morphine. An informal conference was begun on October 20, 1993 and continued to December 14, 1993 in order to allow Ms. Jack to voluntarily undergo a chemical dependency evaluation and present the Board with the results of that evaluation. That evaluation was performed and the report submitted to the Board. During both days of the informal conference Ms. Jack was present and was represented by John G. Richardson, Esq.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

As a result of the informal conference, the Board made the following findings of fact:

1. The Board has received a report of the chemical dependency evaluation of Ms. Jack performed by Robert Blaik, D.O., Ph.D. Dr. Blaik's report indicates his diagnostic impression of probable opioid dependence, and he included specific recommendations for treatment.

- 2. Ms. Jack now admits to a substance abuse problem.
- Ms. Jack now admits to diversion from a facility of surplus fentanyl, and to acquiring Tylenol with codeine by deception.
- 4. Ms. Jack did not initiate substance abuse treatment prior to the December 14, 1993 continuation of the informal conference on the advice of her counsel, pending disposition of the matter by the Board.
- 5. Ms. Jack states that she has been substance free since her chemical dependency evaluation on November 23, 1993.
- 6. Ms. Jack states that she is willing to enter treatment from substance abuse.
- 7. Ms. Jack has been terminated from her employment at Kennebec Valley Medical Center in part as the result of the incident which led to this report.

## COVENANTS

The Board voted to enter into an agreement with Ms. Jack under which she will voluntarily surrender her license to practice professional nursing in Maine until such time as she has successfully completed a full accredited formal substance abuse treatment program, including both detoxification and rehabilitation. The Board will accept the voluntary surrender of Ms. Jack's license with the following condition: should she petition the Board for reinstatement of her license she will provide to the Board along with her petition for reinstatement a full, final report from the substance abuse treatment program. Reinstatement at that point will be at the discretion of the Board. The Board agrees to take no further action upon these facts so long as Ms. Jack fully complies with this Consent Agreement.

Ms. Jack understands that this document is a Consent Agreement which extinguishes her legal right to practice nursing in Maine. Ms. Jack 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. Jack affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.

DATED: 1 - 10 - 94	JANE B. Jack Jock
DATED:	JOHN G. RICHARDSON, ESQ. Attorney for Licensee
DATED: 1-12-94	FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING:  LUL - CARON  JEAN C. CARON, R.N., M.S.  Executive Director
DATED: 1-15-94	FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL:  TIMOTHY W. COLLIER Assistant Attorney General Counsel to the Board