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IN RE:	ELEANOR C. MCDONALD, R.N.	.)	
	of Portland, Maine)	CONSENT AGREEMENT
	License # 035683)	FOR WARNING

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Eleanor C. McDonald's license to practice professional 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) and (B). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Eleanor C. McDonald ("Licensee"), Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Department of Attorney General, State of Maine. The parties reached this Agreement pursuant to an informal conference held on December 6, 2000 based on information submitted by the Barron Center by a letter dated August 12, 1999.

FACTS

- 1. Eleanor C. McDonald has been a registered nurse for 40 years.
- 2. This incident involved a resident on Ms. McDonald's unit while she was the charge nurse. Ms. McDonald was aware that a patient had lowered herself to the floor after refusing medication. Ms. McDonald decided to leave the patient on the floor and failed to report a change in the patient's status. Ms. McDonald failed to reassess the patient for the remainder of her shift.

AGREEMENT

- 3. Eleanor C. McDonald agrees and understands that her conduct constitutes grounds for discipline under 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(2)(F), 2105-A(2)(H) and Chapter 4(3)(F) of the Nursing Board Rules. Eleanor C. McDonald is hereby WARNED. Ms. McDonald is hereby WARNED because she failed to take appropriate action and to follow policies and procedures in the nursing practice designed to safeguard a patient.
- 4. Eleanor C. McDonald understands that this Consent Agreement imposes discipline regarding her license to practice professional nursing in the State of Maine. Ms. McDonald 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.

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- 5. Eleanor C. McDonald affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.
- 6. Modification of this Consent Agreement must be in writing and signed by all the parties.
- 7. This Consent Agreement is not subject to review or appeal by the Licensee, but may be enforced by an action in the Superior Court.
- 8. This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.

I, ELEANOR C. MCDONALD, R.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: 12/21/00

<u>Eleanor C. McDonald RN</u> ELEANOR C. MCDONALD, R.N.

FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING:

DATED: 12/29/00

MYRA A. BROADWAY, J.D., M.S., R.N.

Executive Director

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF

ATTORNEY GENERAL:

DATED: <u>1/3/0</u>

JOHN H. RICHARDS

Assistant Attorney General