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In	re	:					
:	Lau	ırie	J.	Pe	ters,	L.P.N	•
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	Lic	ense	# 1	2001	B 562		

CONSENT AGREEMENT REGARDING PROBATIONARY STATUS OF LICENSE, REPRIMAND, AND FINE

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Laurie J. Peters' license to practice practical 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: Laurie J. Peters, the Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Department of Attorney General, State of Maine. By letters dated June 27, July 20, and September 19, 1995, Ms. Peters was advised by the Board that it had received information of possible violations of 32 M.R.S.A. Section 2105-A(2)(B), (2)(E), and (2)(F). Counsel for Ms. Peters responded in letters dated July 13 and August 3, 1995. The Board held an informal conference to discuss this matter on December 12, 1995. Ms. Peters attended that conference and was represented by Leonard I. Sharon, Esq. This Consent Agreement is a result of that informal conference.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. There were complaints of possible theft of medications from St. Mary's Regional Medical Center and D'Youville Pavilion, but these were not substantiated.
- 2. Ms. Peters was terminated from her employment position for falsifying her employment application.
- 3. Ms. Peters falsified her 1991 application for renewal of licensure by answering "no" in response to the questions asking about any criminal convictions other than minor traffic offenses.
- 4. Ms. Peters had 6 criminal convictions prior to 1991.
- 5. Ms. Peters states that she has no recollection of appearing before the Board in 1985, but the records of the Board indicate that she did appear at that time.

COVENANTS

Ms. Peters is hereby REPRIMANDED for her behavior in this matter, and is advised to conform her conduct accordingly. Ms. Peters also agrees to pay a fine in the amount of \$500 to the Board within 30 days of the date that this Consent Agreement becomes effective. This Consent Agreement becomes effective on the date

of the last necessary signature. In addition, Ms. Peters' license to practice practical nursing in the State of Maine is hereby placed on a probationary status for a period of two years from the date of her next employment in nursing with the following conditions:

- 1. Ms. Peters will provide a copy of this Consent Agreement to any employer in the field of nursing, and will arrange to have quarterly reports submitted to the Board from any employer in the field of nursing.
- 2. Ms. Peters will notify the Board upon beginning employment in the field of nursing and will immediately notify the Board in writing of any change in her nurse/employment status.
- 3. The Board agrees to take no further disciplinary action upon these facts so long as Ms. Peters fully complies with these conditions. Ms. Peters must request termination of the probationary status of her license upon the conclusion of the probationary period. The Board will consider reinstatement of Ms. Peters' license after the expiration of the probationary period, at which time the Board will consider the degree to which Ms. Peters has complied with these conditions.
- 4. Ms. Peters understands that this document is a Consent Agreement which affects her legal right to practice nursing in Maine. Ms. Peters 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. Peters affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.

DATED: 5.1.96	LAURIE J. PETERS, L.P.N.
DATED: 5/2/96	FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING: JEAN C. CARON, M.S., R.N. Executive Director
	FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF

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Assistant Attorney General

TIMOTHY W. COLLIER

Counsel to the Board

DATED: 5/2/96