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IN RE: LISA J. TUTTLE)	CONSENT AGREEMENT
of Gorham, Maine)	FOR VOLUNTARY
License #R036699)	SURRENDER OF LICENSE

<u>INTRODUCTION</u>

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Lisa J. Tuttle's license to practice registered professional nursing in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5)(B), (5)(D) and 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(1-A)(C). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Lisa J. Tuttle, Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Office of the Attorney General, State of Maine. The parties reached this Agreement in lieu of an adjudicatory hearing that was scheduled for June 30, 2004.

FACTS

- 1. Lisa J. Tuttle has been a registered professional nurse for eleven years and has been licensed to practice as a registered professional nurse in Maine since 1993.
- 2. Lisa J. Tuttle was terminated from Mercy Hospital, Portland, Maine, on May 21, 2003, for drug diversion.
- 3. Lisa J. Tuttle admits that she was addicted to pain medication and that she diverted scheduled drugs from Mercy Hospital for her own use.
- 4. On May 14, 2004, Ms. Tuttle pled guilty to two counts of Stealing Drugs, Class C felonies, which are violations of 17-A M.R.S.A. § 1109. She received a sentence of nine months imprisonment on each count to be served concurrently. All but 10 days of that term of imprisonment was suspended and Ms. Tuttle was placed on probation for a period of two years. The Judgment and Commitment and the Conditions of Probation are attached as Exhibit A.
- 5. In lieu of an adjudicatory hearing Lisa J. Tuttle has offered to voluntarily surrender her registered professional nurse license.

AGREEMENT

6. The Maine State Board of Nursing will accept Lisa J. Tuttle's voluntary surrender of her license #R036699.



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- Lisa J. Tuttle understands that this document imposes discipline regarding her license to practice registered professional nursing in the State of Maine under 32 M.R.S.A.§ 2105-A(2)(A), (2)(B), (2)(F), (2)(H) and Chapter 4, sections 1(A)(1), 1(A)(2), (A)(6) and Chapter 4, sections 3(K), 3(P) and 3(Q) of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing.
- 8. Lisa J. Tuttle agrees and understands that her license will remain on surrender status and subject to the terms of this Consent Agreement indefinitely until and unless the Board, at Ms. Tuttle's written request, votes to reinstate Ms. Tuttle's license. Ms. Tuttle agrees and understands that if the Board reinstates her license, it will be for a probationary period.
- 9. Lisa J. Tuttle understands that this document is a Consent Agreement that affects her rights to practice registered professional nursing in Maine. Ms. Tuttle understands that she does not have to execute this Consent Agreement and that she has the right to consult with an attorney before entering the Consent Agreement.
- 10. If Ms. Tuttle fails to meet any of the obligations of this Consent Agreement, the Board may take any disciplinary action, which it deems appropriate and impose any of the sanctions, including but not limited to that found in Title 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003 and Title 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A.
- 11. Lisa J. Tuttle shall not work or volunteer, in any capacity, for a health care provider as defined by Title 24 M.R.S.A. § 2502 (2) or in any position holding herself out as a registered professional nurse or with the designation, R.N. including, in a veterinarian's office, while her nursing license is surrendered. In addition, Ms. Tuttle is not to seek employment where the handling or dispensing of drugs is part of the job responsibility.
- 12. Modification of this Consent Agreement must be in writing and signed by all parties.
- 13. Lisa J. Tuttle affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.

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14. This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.

I, LISA J. TUTTLE 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: 6-38-04

Charl Tutter

FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

DATED: June 28, 2004

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FOR THE OFFICE OF THE

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