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IN RE: LINDA L. BOLAND)	CONSENT AGREEMENT
of Thomaston, Maine)	FOR VOLUNTARY
License #P010424)	SURRENDER OF LICENSE

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Linda L. Boland's license to practice practical nursing in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(1-A)(C) and 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5)(B), (5)(D). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Linda L. Boland ("Licensee"), Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Office of the Attorney General, State of Maine. The parties reached this Agreement on the basis of Ms. Boland's offer to voluntarily surrender her license.

FACTS

- 1. Linda L. Boland has been a Maine licensed practical nurse since 1991.
- 2. Linda L. Boland admits that she diverted controlled medications (Vicodin/Hydrocodone) from her employer, Knox Center for Long Term Care located in Rockland, Maine. She diverted the Vicodin for a period of eight months for her own use and admits that she has a substance abuse problem.
- 3. Linda L. Boland has entered a substance abuse program called Choice Skyward. In addition she attended a five week Intensive Outpatient Program and is currently in after care treatment with Dr. Stanley Evans.
- 4. Linda L. Boland has offered to surrender her practical nursing license while she is resolving her substance abuse problem.

AGREEMENT

- 5. The Maine State Board of Nursing will accept Linda L. Boland's voluntary surrender of her practical nurse license.
- 6. Linda L. Boland understands that this document imposes discipline regarding her license to practice practical 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.

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- 7. Linda L. Boland 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. Boland's written request, votes to reinstate Ms. Boland's license. Ms. Boland agrees and understands that if the Board reinstatements her license, it will be for a probationary period.
- 8. Linda L. Boland understands that this document is a Consent Agreement that affects her rights to practice practical nursing in Maine. Ms. Boland 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.
- 9. Linda L. Boland 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 licensed practical nurse or with the designation, L.P.N., including, in a veterinarian's office, while her nursing license is surrendered. In addition, Ms. Boland is not to seek employment where the handling or dispensing of drugs is part of the job responsibility.
- 10. If Ms. Boland 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. Modification of this Consent Agreement must be in writing and signed by all parties.
- 12. This Consent Agreement is not subject to review or appeal by the Licensee, but may be enforced by an action in the Superior Court.
- 13. Linda L. Boland affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.
- 14. This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.

I, LINDA L. BOLAND, 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: 01/18/05

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FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

DATED: Jan. 25, 2005

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

Executive Director

FOR THE OFFICE OF THE

ATTORNEY GENERAL

DATED: 104.26,2005

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