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IN RE: ROMELDA L. JAN	MIESON, R.N.	CONSENT AGREEMENT
of Pembroke, Maine)	FOR WARNING AND
License #R046723)	LICENSE PROBATION

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement ("Agreement") regarding Romelda L. Jamieson's license as a registered professional nurse in the State of Maine. The parties to this Agreement are Romelda L. Jamieson ("Licensee" or "Ms. Jamieson"), Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Office of the Attorney General, State of Maine. The parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A (1-A) (B) and § 8003(5) (B). The Board met with the Licensee in an informal conference on July 8, 2010. The parties reached this Agreement on the basis of 1) Board Notice of Complaint/Provider Report dated September 16, 2008 with information from Calais Regional Hospital ("Calais Regional") dated August 22, 2008; and 2) Ms. Jamieson's response dated October 18, 2008.

FACTS

- 1. Romelda L. Jamieson has been licensed to practice in Maine as a registered professional nurse since October 2001.
- 2. Romelda L. Jamieson resigned from her employment at Calais Regional as a registered professional nurse on July 29, 2008 while a review of her nursing practice was being conducted. Her nursing practice was determined to be substandard because of medication errors, lack of critical nursing judgment, clinical competence and documentation [Exhibit A].
- 3. Romelda L. Jamieson wishes to resolve this matter by accepting this Agreement and thereby waives her right to an adjudicatory hearing.

AGREEMENT

- 4. Romelda L. Jamieson understands that her conduct in the above-stated facts constitutes grounds for discipline under Title 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A (2) (E) (2), (2) (F), (2) (H) and Chapter 4.1.A.5.b., 4.1.A.6., 4.1.A.8., 4.3.B and 4.3.F. of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing. Romelda L. Jamieson is hereby formally **WARNED** for unprofessional conduct because she failed to follow policies and procedures in a practice situation designed to safeguard the patient. Specifically, the violations are:
 - a. M.R.S. § 2105-A (2) (E) (2). Ms. Jamieson engaged in conduct that evidences a lack of knowledge or inability to apply principles or skills to carry out the practice for which she is licensed. (See also Rule Chapter 4, Section 1.A.5.b.)
 - b. M.R.S. § 2105-A (2) (F). Unprofessional Conduct. Ms. Jamieson engaged in unprofessional conduct because she violated a standard of professional behavior that has been established in the practice for which she is licensed. (See also Rule Chapter 4, Section 1.A.6.)



- c. M.R.S. § 2105-A (2) (H). A violation of this chapter or a rule adopted by the Board. (See also Rule Chapter 4, Section 1.A.6.)
- d. Rule Chapter 4, Section 3. Unprofessional Conduct: Nursing behavior which fails to conform to legal standards and accepted standards of the nursing profession, and which could reflect adversely on the health and welfare of the public shall constitute unprofessional conduct and shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - 3(B). Ms. Jamieson assumed duties and responsibilities within the practice of nursing without adequate preparation and when competency has not been maintained.
 - 3(F). Ms. Jamieson failed to take appropriate action or follow policies and procedures in the practice situation designed to safeguard the patient.
- 5. Romelda L. Jamieson's license as a registered professional nurse in the State of Maine is placed on probationary status with conditions, to be determined by the length of time for her to successfully complete three credits of nursing education in pharmacology, to include a component in medication administration. Ms. Jamieson shall obtain pre-approval of the nursing education program from the Board's Executive Director. Ms. Jamieson shall complete the nursing education program within one year of the effective date of this Agreement and provide documentary proof to the Executive Director of such completion. If the nursing educational program is successfully completed within one year in accordance with this Agreement, the probationary period will terminate.
 - a. Romelda L. Jamieson shall fully comply with the conditions of the probation in this Agreement. She shall inform the Board in writing within 15 days of any address change.
 - b. Romelda L. Jamieson will notify any and all of her nursing employers of the terms of this Agreement and provide them with a copy of it.
 - c. Romelda L. Jamieson will arrange for and ensure the submission to the Board of quarterly reports from her nursing employer regarding her general nursing practice.
 - d. Romelda L. Jamieson will notify the Board in writing within five business days after she obtains any nursing employment and/or enrolls in a nursing education program. Notice under this section shall include the place and position of employment and/or the nursing educational program. If during the period of probation, Ms. Jamieson's employment as a nurse or her educational program terminates, she shall notify the Board in writing within five business days after she is terminated or separated, regardless of cause, with a full explanation of the circumstances.
- 6. Romelda L. Jamieson agrees and understands that her license will remain on probationary status and subject to the terms of this Agreement until successful completion of the nursing education program. However, if she fails to complete the nursing education program in accordance with this Agreement she will be scheduled to appear before the Board to determine what action, if any, it will take to address her non-compliance.
- 7. The State of Maine is a "party state" that has adopted the Nurse Licensure Compact ("Compact"), which is set out in Chapter 11 of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing. The State of Maine is Ms. Jamieson's "home state" of licensure and primary state of residence, which means that she has declared the State of Maine as her fixed permanent and principle home

for legal purposes; her domicile. Other party states in the Compact are referred to as "remote states," which means party states other than the home state that have adopted the Compact. Ms. Jamieson understands this Consent Agreement is subject to the Compact. She agrees that during the pendency of this Consent Agreement, her nursing practice will be limited to the State of Maine as it pertains to the Compact. If Ms. Jamieson wishes to practice in any other party state within the Compact, she shall arrange to have the party state in which she intends to practice provide the Board with written authorization that she has been approved to practice in that state; the Board with then make a determination.

- 8. This Agreement is a public record within the meaning of 1 M.R.S. § 402 and will be available for inspection and copying by the public pursuant to 1 M.R.S. § 408.
- 9. Romelda L. Jamieson understands that she does not have to execute this Consent Agreement and has the right to consult with an attorney before entering into the Agreement.
- 10. Romelda L. Jamieson affirms that she executes this Agreement of her own free will.
- 11. Modification of this Agreement must be in writing and signed by all parties.
- 12. This Agreement is not subject to review or appeal by the Licensee.
- 13. This Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.

I, ROMELDA L. JAMIESON, R.N., HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING CONSENT AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THE EFFECT IT WILL HAVE ON MY REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSE LICENSE. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING IT, I WAIVE CERTAIN RIGHTS. I SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY, KNOWINGLY, AND INTELLIGENTLY AND AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THIS AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT CONTAINS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND THERE IS NO OTHER AGREEMENT OF ANY KIND.

DATED: 11/1/10

ROMELDA L. JAMIESON, R.N.

FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

DATED: 11 5 10

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

Executive Director

FOR THE OFFICE OF THE

ATTORNEY GENERAL

DATED: 11/10/10

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