BEFORE THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF LICENSE
R039083* ISSUED TO:
CATHY A. BRADLEY

ORDER TERMINATING
PROBATION

To practice advanced registered professional nursing in the State of Maine

*APRN now #AP081391

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2005, License #R039083 issued to Cathy A. Bradley was placed on "probation" pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. Section 2105-A (1-A); and

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2010, the Board of Nursing duly considered all evidence presented to it concerning Cathy Bradley's compliance with the conditions of said probation; and

WHEREAS, the Board found that Cathy Bradley has completed all of the Order;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is ordered that the Order of Probation executed on April 14, 2005 is hereby terminated.

DATED this 10th day of June 2010.

MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

BY: Myra A. Broadway, J.D., M.S., R.N.
    Executive Director
IN RE: CATHY A. BRADLEY, F.N.P.  )
of Easton, Maine  )
License #R039083  )

CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR PROBATION WITH CONDITIONS

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Cathy A. Bradley’s license to practice registered professional nursing and advanced practice registered nursing in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this Consent Agreement pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(1-A)(B), 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5)(A-1)(2), (A-1)(4) and 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5)(B). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Cathy A. Bradley ("Licensee"), Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Office of the Attorney General, State of Maine. The Board met with the Licensee in an informal conference on March 2, 2005. The parties reached this Consent Agreement based on information submitted by the Aroostook Medical Center by a Complaint with supporting documentation dated May 10, 2004.

FACTS

1. Cathy A. Bradley has been registered professional nurse licensed to practice in Maine since 1995. In addition, Ms. Bradley has been approved as an advanced practice registered nurse to practice in Maine since 2000.

2. Cathy A. Bradley admits that she acted outside her prescriptive authority as an advanced practice registered nurse by prescribing a scheduled drug for an individual that was not her client. The individual was a medical doctor that worked at the same facility as Ms. Bradley and was Ms. Bradley’s supervising physician. The Board offered a consent agreement for a five year probationary period with the condition that Ms. Bradley’s prescriptive practice be monitored during the probation term.

AGREEMENT WITH CONDITIONS OF PROBATION

3. Cathy A. Bradley agrees and understands that this document imposes discipline regarding her approval to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse in the State of Maine and the above-described conduct constitutes grounds for discipline under 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(2)(F), (2)(H) and Chapter, 4(1)(A)(6) of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing.
4. Cathy A. Bradley agrees and understands that her approval to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse in the State of Maine is placed on probationary status with conditions. The period of probation will be for a period of five years, to be effective only while she is employed as an advanced practice registered nurse. For purposes of this Consent Agreement, advanced practice registered nurse employment is any employment during which Cathy A. Bradley performs advanced practice registered nursing services. Ms. Bradley’s probationary status will be subject to the following conditions:

   a. Cathy A. Bradley will notify any and all of her advanced practice registered nursing employers of the terms of this Consent Agreement and shall provide them with a copy of it.

   b. Cathy A. Bradley will immediately notify the Board in writing regarding any change in her advanced practice registered nursing employment. Notification under this section shall include the place and position of employment and the same notification shall apply to any subsequent change in employment.

   c. Cathy A. Bradley understands and agrees that her prescriptive practice will be monitored for the length of her probation to determine appropriate use of her prescriptive authority and that she will cooperate with the Board by whatever means necessary to effectuate this process.

5. Cathy A. Bradley agrees and understands that her approval to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse will remain on probationary status and subject to the terms of this Agreement indefinitely beyond the five year probationary period, until and unless the Board, at Ms. Bradley’s written request, votes to terminate Ms. Bradley’s probation. When considering whether to terminate the probation, the Board will consider the extent to which Ms. Bradley has complied with the provisions of this Consent Agreement.

6. Cathy A. Bradley understands that this document is a Consent Agreement that affects her rights to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse in Maine. Ms. Bradley 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 the Consent Agreement.

7. If Cathy A. Bradley 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.

8. Cathy A. Bradley affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.

9. Modification of this Consent Agreement must in writing and signed by all the parties.

10. This Consent Agreement is not subject to appeal or review by the Licensee but may be enforced by an action in the Superior Court.
11. This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.

I, CATHY A. BRADLEY, F.N.P. 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: 4/11/05

[Signature]
CATHY A. BRADLEY, F.N.P.

DATED: 4/11/05

[Signature]
NORMAN G TRASK, ESQ.
Attorney for Cathy A. Bradley, F.N.P.

FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

DATED: 4/13/05

[Signature]
MYRA A. BROADWAY, J.D., M.S., R.N.
Executive Director

FOR THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

DATED: 4/14/05

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JOHN H. RICHARDS
Assistant Attorney General