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

BEFORE THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF LICENSE NO.)
 R046964 ISSUED TO:)
 Anna M. Clifton)
 To practice registered professional)
 nursing in the State of Maine)
 -----)

**ORDER TERMINATING
 PROBATION**

WHEREAS, on June 5, 2003, License No. R046964 issued to Anna M. Clifton was placed on "probation" pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. Section 2105-A (1-A); and

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2005, the Board of Nursing duly considered all evidence presented to it concerning Anna M. Clifton's compliance with the conditions of said probation; and

WHEREAS, the Board found that Anna M. Clifton has completed all of the Order;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is ordered that the Order of Probation executed on July 22, 2003 is hereby terminated.

DATED this 2nd day of June 2005.

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BY: Myra Broadway
 Myra A. Broadway, J.D., M.S., R.N.
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IN RE: ANNA M. CLIFTON, R.N.)
 of Lincoln, Maine)
 License #R046964) **CONSENT AGREEMENT
 FOR LICENSE RENEWAL
 AND PROBATION**

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Anna M. Clifton'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)(A-1)(4), 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5)(B) and 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(1-A)(B). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Anna M. Clifton ("Licensee"), Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Office of the Attorney General, State of Maine. Anna M. Clifton met with the Board on June 5, 2003 regarding her request to renew her registered professional nursing license.

FACTS

1. Anna M. Clifton has applied to renew her registered professional nursing license in the State of Maine. She currently has a probationary license in the State of Missouri. Ms. Clifton entered into a Settlement Agreement with the Missouri State Board of Nursing dated January 3, 2003, which is attached and marked as Exhibit A.
2. Anna M. Clifton was placed on probation in the State of Missouri because of a substance abuse problem and if she successfully complies with the terms of the Settlement Agreement her probation in Missouri will terminate on January 18, 2005.
3. As of June 5, 2003 Ms. Clifton stated that she has been substance free for three years and 10 days.
4. Anna M. Clifton currently attends A.A. every other week.
5. Anna M. Clifton is currently employed at Penobscot Valley Hospital located in Lincoln, Maine.

REINSTATEMENT WITH CONDITIONS OF PROBATION

6. Anna M. Clifton's license to practice registered professional nursing in the State of Maine is renewed on a probationary status with conditions. The period of probation will be concurrent with the period of probation imposed in the State of Missouri and will be subject to compliance with the terms of her Settlement Agreement in the State of



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Missouri. In addition, Ms. Clifton's probationary license in the State of Maine will be subject to the following conditions:

- a. Ms. Clifton will abstain completely from the use of alcohol, and other substances, with the exception of prescribed medications by her physician who is aware of Ms. Clifton's substance abuse history.
 - b. Ms. Clifton will continue in N.A./A.A. and an aftercare treatment program to such an extent and for as long as her treatment providers recommend.
 - c. Ms. Clifton will arrange for and ensure the submission of quarterly reports to the Board by her treatment providers during the probationary period.
 - d. Ms. Clifton will notify any and all of her nursing employers and notify faculty involved in any clinical studies of the terms of this Consent Agreement and shall provide them with a copy of it.
 - e. Ms. Clifton will arrange for and ensure the submission to the Board of quarterly reports from her nursing employer regarding her nursing practice.
 - f. Ms. Clifton agrees and understands that the Board and the Department of Attorney General shall have access to any and all medical records and all otherwise confidential or medically privileged information pertaining to her treatment for substance abuse which the Board deems necessary to evaluate Ms. Clifton's compliance with the Consent Agreement and her continued recovery. Ms. Clifton shall provide such information, shall authorize the release of such records and information, and shall authorize any such discussions and communications with any and all persons involved in her care, counseling and employment as may be requested by the Board for the purpose of evaluating Ms. Clifton's compliance with the Consent Agreement and her continued recovery.
7. Anna M. Clifton agrees and understands that her license will remain on probationary status and subject to the terms of this Agreement indefinitely beyond the two year probationary period, until and unless the Board, at Ms. Clifton's written request, votes to terminate Ms. Clifton's probation. When considering whether to terminate the probation, the Board will consider the extent to which Ms. Clifton has complied with the provisions of this Agreement.
 8. Anna M. Clifton understands that this document is a Consent Agreement that affects her rights to practice nursing in Maine. Ms. Clifton 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.

9. If Ms. Clifton 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.
10. Anna M. Clifton affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.
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. This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.

I, ANNA M. CLIFTON, R.N., 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: July 11, 2003

Anna M. Clifton R.N.
ANNA M. CLIFTON, R.N.

FOR THE MAINE STATE
BOARD OF NURSING

DATED: July 16, 2003

Myra Broadway
MYRA A. BROADWAY, J.D., M.S., R.N.
Executive Director

FOR THE OFFICE OF THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL

DATED: July 22, 2003

John H. Richards
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