

May 22, 1978

Michael J. Grace
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Dear Mr. Grace:

At its meeting on May 18-19, 1978, the Maine State Board of Nursing reviewed the entire history that has developed since the Board first received a report from Waterville Osteopathic Hospital indicating your probable involvement in a drug problem, including your letter of April 26, 1978, and an April 27 letter from Detective Arthur Roy. Following consideration of all factors, the Board of Nursing voted that you be allowed to retain your registered professional nurse license to practice nursing in Maine with the provision that you be required to report personally to the Board on a quarterly basis during the year that you are on probation, through action taken by the Waterville District Court.

Miss Marion M. Klappmeier, R.N., Executive Director for the Maine State Board of Nursing, will be in touch with you to arrange a convenient time for your conferences with Board representatives. At present it is too early to establish dates for appointments, but you can plan on a schedule that will be similar to the following: July and October in 1978, and January and April in 1979. The major purposes of these conferences will be to evaluate your progress in recovering from the serious situation in which you found yourself, to discuss your continued growth as a registered professional nurse in a controlled environment, and to enable you to periodically assess, with the Board, your readiness to assume personal responsibility for safe nursing practice in patient care situations that will require your competent leadership.

We hope that our reference to a controlled environment will assist you in finding employment as a nurse where other professional nurses will provide you with adequate supervision and reasonable assignments as you resume your career in nursing.

The Board wishes to acknowledge your professionally responsible actions throughout a threatening situation and wishes you to know of their belief and faith that you can and will reach the professional goals you have set for yourself.

Sincerely yours,

MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

(Mrs.) Elizabeth A. Lutes, R.N.
Assistant Executive Director

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