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IN RE: VALARIE L. LEBLANC) **CONSENT AGREEMENT**
of Saco, Maine) **FOR VOLUNTARY**
License #R045163) **SURRENDER OF LICENSE**

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Valarie L. LeBlanc's license to practice registered professional 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 Valarie L. LeBlanc ("Licensee"), Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Office of the Attorney General, State of Maine. The parties reached this Agreement based on information submitted by Mercy Hospital ("Mercy"), Portland, Maine, in a complaint with supplemental information dated March 18, 2004, and information submitted by Pine Point Center for Health Care and Rehabilitation ("Pine Point"), Scarborough, Maine, in a complaint dated October 12, 2004.

FACTS

1. Valarie L. LeBlanc has been licensed as a registered professional nurse to practice in Maine since 2000.
2. Valarie L. LeBlanc admits that on 21 different occasions she diverted the controlled substances Percocet, Oxycodone, Oxycontin and Morphine from Mercy for her personal consumption. The diversions occurred over a three week period between January 24, 2004 and February 10, 2004.
3. Valarie L. LeBlanc admits that she diverted three Oxycodone medications from Pine Point for her personal consumption. The diversion occurred in September, 2004.
4. Valarie L. LeBlanc admits that she has a substance abuse problem, and states the she has been sober since September 2004. Ms. Leblanc has a diagnosis of bipolar disorder and is currently under the care of a psychiatrist.
5. In lieu of a hearing, before the Board Valarie L. LeBlanc has offered to voluntarily surrender her registered professional nurse license.



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AGREEMENT

6. The Maine State Board of Nursing will accept Valarie L. LeBlanc's offer to voluntary surrender her registered professional nurse license.
7. Valarie L. LeBlanc understands that based upon the above-stated facts this document imposes discipline regarding her license to practice professional 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), 1(A)(6), 1(A)(8) and Chapter 4, sections 3(F), 3(K), 3(P) and 3(Q) of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing.
8. Valarie L. LeBlanc 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. LeBlanc's written request, votes to reinstate Ms. LeBlanc's license. Ms. LeBlanc agrees and understands that if the Board reinstates her license, it will be for a probationary period.
9. Valarie L. LeBlanc understands that before the Board will consider her to be reinstated she shall meet the following conditions:
 - a. Ms. LeBlanc will enter into and complete an Intensive Outpatient Program and continue in aftercare for as long as and to such an extent as her health care provider(s) recommend.
 - b. If Ms. Leblanc is accepted into the Drug Court Program associated with the pending criminal charges pending involving the same above-stated facts, she will arrange for and provide the Board with a release to obtain any information regarding her progress in the Drug Court Program.
 - c. Ms. Leblanc will provide the Board with a psychiatric evaluation assuring the Board that she is able take on the responsibilities of a registered professional nurse, laying emphasis on her ability to cope with stress.
 - d. Ms. Leblanc will abstain completely from the use of alcohol or drugs, with the exception of substances used in accordance with a valid prescription from a health care provider(s) who is aware of Ms. Leblanc's substance abuse history.
 - e. Ms. Leblanc agrees and understands that the Board and the Department of Attorney General shall have access to any and all employment records and 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. Leblanc's compliance with the Consent Agreement and her continued recovery. Ms. LeBlanc shall provide such

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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. LeBlanc's compliance with the Consent Agreement and her continued recovery.

9. Valarie L. LeBlanc understands that this document is a Consent Agreement that affects her rights to practice professional nursing in Maine. Ms. LeBlanc 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.
10. Valarie L. LeBlanc 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 registered professional nurse or with the designation, R.N. including, in a veterinarian's office, while her nursing license is surrendered. In addition, Ms. LeBlanc is not to seek employment where the handling or dispensing of drugs is part of the job responsibility.
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. Valarie L. LeBlanc 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, VALARIE L. LEBLANC, 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: 3/19/06



VALARIE L. LEBLANC

* thank you for the opportunity
to rehabilitate + get through this!

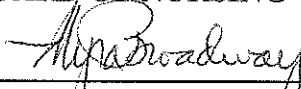
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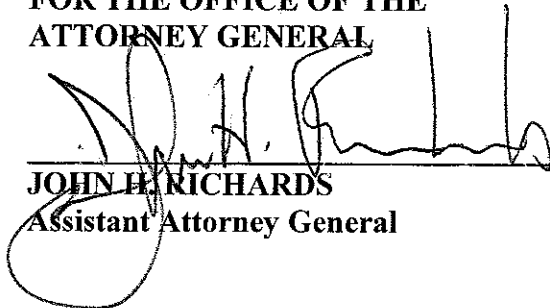
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