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IN RE: WAYNE P. NORTON)	CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR
of Gardiner, Maine)	VOLUNTARY SURRENDER
License #R022988)	OF LICENSE

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Wayne P. Norton's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5)(B) and 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(1-A)(C). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Wayne P. Norton ("Licensee"), Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Department of Attorney General, State of Maine. The parties reached this Agreement on the basis of information submitted by Maine Veterans' Homes by letter dated April 1, 1999, attached as Exhibit A, by information from the State of Maine District Court, Judgment and Commitment documents dated April 19, 2000, attached as Exhibit B and a letter from the Licensee dated July 16, 2000, attached as Exhibit C.

FACTS

- Wayne P. Norton has been a registered professional nurse licensed by the Board to practice in Maine since 1979.
- On April 1, 1999 the Maine Veterans' Homes reported an incident of patient abuse to the Board involving Mr. Norton. See Exhibit A.
- Wayne P. Norton admitted to the incident that was reported by Maine Veterans' Homes and subsequently resigned his employment.
- 4. On April 19, 2000 Mr. Norton entered a plea of guilty in the State of Maine District Court to endangering the welfare of a dependent person, a Class D misdemeanor. Mr. Norton was sentenced to a term of 60 days in the Kennebec County Jail and fined the sum of \$250.00. The 60-day confinement period was suspended and Mr. Norton was placed on a period of probation for a term of one year. See Exhibit B, State of Maine District Court, Judgment and Commitment.
- 5. In a letter to the Board dated July 16, 2000 Mr. Norton voluntarily surrendered his professional nursing license.

AGREEMENT

- 6. The Maine State Board of Nursing will accept Wayne P. Norton's voluntary surrender of his license.
- 7. Wayne P. Norton may petition the Board for reinstatement of his license. Mr. Norton agrees and understands that his license will not be reinstated until and unless the Board, upon Mr. Norton's written request, votes to reinstate Mr. Norton's license.
- 8. Wayne P. Norton understands that this document imposes discipline regarding his license to practice practical nursing in the State of Maine for violations under 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(2)(E), A(2)(F) and (A)(2)(H).



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- 9. Wayne P. Norton understands that he does not have to execute this Consent Agreement and that he has the right to consult with an attorney before entering into this Consent Agreement.
- Wayne P. Norton affirms that he executes this Consent Agreement of his 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, WAYNE P. NORTON 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: 1/2900

WAINE I. HORION

FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

DATED: 1//22/00

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

Executive Director

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL

DATED: 11/29/00

JOHN H. RICHARDS Assistant Attorney General