BEFORE THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF LICENSE NO. P009330 ISSUED TO:

VALERIE A. SAWYER

ORDER TERMINATING PROBATION

To practice practical nursing in the State of Maine

WHEREAS, on February 17, 1994, License No. P009330 issued to Valerie A. Sawyer was placed on "probation" pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. Section 2105-A (1-A); and

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2000, the Board of Nursing duly considered all evidence presented to it concerning Valerie A. Sawyer's compliance with the conditions of said probation; and

WHEREAS, the Board found that Valerie A. Sawyer has completed all of the Order;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is ordered that the Order of Probation executed on April 15, 1994 is hereby terminated.

DATED this 18th day of October 2000.

MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

BY: Myra A. Broadway, J.D., M.S., R.N.
Executive Director
In re: VALERIE A. SAWYER, L.P.N. of Harrington, Maine License #P009330 ) MODIFIED CONSENT AGREEMENT REGARDING LICENSURE )

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Valerie A. Sawyer's license to practice practical nursing in the State of Maine, entered into pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. Section 2105-A(1-A)(B) and 10 M.R.S.A. Section 8003(5)(B). The parties to this Consent Agreement are: Valerie A. Sawyer, L.P.N., the Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Department of Attorney General, State of Maine. These same parties entered into a Consent Agreement on June 30, 1993. Pursuant to that Agreement, Ms. Sawyer admitted to the diversion of large amounts of narcotics from the Narraguagus Bay Health Care Facility, and the Board accepted the voluntary surrender of Ms. Sawyer's license for a period of one year from February 16, 1993 with certain conditions.

On January 3, 1994 Ms. Sawyer requested that the Board reinstate her license. On February 17, 1994 she met with the Board. At the meeting the Board voted to modify the covenants of the June 30, 1993 Consent Agreement as follows:

COVENANTS

Ms. Sawyer's license to practice practical nursing in the State of Maine is hereby reinstated on a probationary status for a period of one year from the date that she resumes employment in the field of nursing in Maine, with the following conditions:

1. Ms. Sawyer will remain substance-free.

2. Ms. Sawyer will continue in her prescribed aftercare and self-help program, and will arrange to have quarterly reports submitted to the Board from her substance abuse counselor so long as she remains in counseling. Ms. Sawyer waives any claims of confidentiality and privilege which she may have with respect to these reports. Ms. Sawyer will notify the Board in writing when she stops her prescribed aftercare, including the reason for discontinuing.
3. Ms. Sawyer will notify the Board in writing upon employment in any position in nursing, including the place and position of employment, and will similarly notify the Board in writing of any change in such employment in the field of nursing.

4. Ms. Sawyer will inform any employer in the field of nursing of the probationary status of her license.

5. Ms. Sawyer will arrange to have quarterly reports submitted to the Board from any employer in the field of nursing.

6. The Board agrees to take no further disciplinary action upon these facts so long as Ms. Sawyer fully complies with these conditions. Ms. Sawyer must request reinstatement of her license from the Board upon the conclusion of the one-year probationary period. The Board will consider reinstatement of Ms. Sawyer's license after the expiration of the probationary period, at which time the Board will consider the degree to which Ms. Sawyer has complied with these conditions.

7. Ms. Sawyer understands that this document is a Consent Agreement which affects her rights to practice nursing in Maine. This Consent Agreement may be amended only in writing, signed by all the parties. Ms. Sawyer understands that she does not have to execute this Consent Agreement and that she has the right to consult with an attorney before entering this Consent Agreement. Ms. Sawyer affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.

DATED: 4/8/94

Valerie A. Sawyer, L.P.N.
VALERIE A. SAWYER, L.P.N.

FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING:

DATED: 4/13/94

Jean C. Caron
JEAN C. CARON, R.N., M.S.
Executive Director

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL:

DATED: 4/15/94

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