BEFORE THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF LICENSE NO. R038770 ISSUED TO:

Marguerite Strong

To practice registered professional nursing in the State of Maine

ORDER TERMINATING PROBATION

WHEREAS, on December 9, 1999, License No. R038770 issued to Marguerite Strong was placed on "probation" pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. Section 2105-A (1-A); and

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2007, the Board of Nursing duly considered all evidence presented to it concerning Marguerite Strong's compliance with the conditions of said probation; and

WHEREAS, the Board found that Marguerite Strong has completed all of the Order;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is ordered that the Order of Probation executed on January 12, 2000 is hereby terminated.

DATED this 27th day of April 2007.

MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

BY: Myra A. Broadway, JD, MS, RN
Executive Director
INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Marguerite Strong'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)(A-1)(1), 8003(5)(B) and 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(1-A)(A) and (B). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Marguerite Strong, Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Department of Attorney General, State of Maine. The parties reached this Agreement following an informal conference on December 9, 1999 regarding Ms. Strong's 1998-2000 renewal application and information received from the State of New York Education Department/The University of the State of New York, Office of Professional Discipline by letter dated July 29, 1999.

FACTS

1. Marguerite Strong submitted a renewal application to the Maine State Board of Nursing for her registered professional nurse license on or about October 14, 1998.

2. Marguerite Strong submitted false information on her renewal application by responding in the negative to questions on the application which asked whether any board of nursing in other states or jurisdictions had taken disciplinary action against her license and whether any complaint was pending against her license in any other state or jurisdiction. Information from the State of New York indicated that Ms. Strong was disciplined in that State and/or the matter was pending at the time she submitted her application for renewal of her registered professional nurse license in the State of Maine.

3. Marguerite Strong first came before the Board in October 1999 and was advised that she needed to be in compliance with the terms of the New York Consent Order regarding the payment of a fine. As of the date of this Informal Conference Ms. Strong had not paid the fine.
AGREEMENT

4. Marguerite Strong agrees and understands that her conduct constitutes grounds for discipline under 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(2)(A), (2)(F), and (2)(H). Marguerite Strong is hereby REPRIMANDED because she provided false information to the Maine State Board of Nursing in obtaining her registered professional nurse license. Further, Ms. Strong’s license to practice professional nursing will be on probation concurrent with and until the matter in New York is resolved.

5. Marguerite Strong understands that this document imposes discipline regarding her license to practice professional nursing in the State of Maine. Ms. Strong 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.

6. Marguerite Strong will notify any and all of her nursing employers of the terms of this Consent Agreement and shall provide them with a copy of it. For purposes of this Consent Agreement, nursing employment is any employment during which Ms. Strong performs nursing services or holds herself out as a nurse such as through the designation “R.N.”

7. The Board agrees to take no further disciplinary action upon these facts so long as Ms. Strong fully complies with these conditions.

8. Modification of this Consent Agreement must be in writing and signed by all parties.

9. Marguerite Strong affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.

10. This Consent Agreement is not subject to review or appeal by the Licensee, but may be enforced by an action in the Superior Court.

11. This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.
DATED: 12-22-99

MARGUERITE STRONG, R.N.

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FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF NURSING:

DATED: Jan 11, 2000

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

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL:

DATED: 1/12/00

JOHN H. RICHARDS
Assistant Attorney General