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In re: GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Jeanne M. Alvarez, A.N.P.
of So. Berwick, Maine
License #R036439

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**CONSENT AGREEMENT
REGARDING REPRIMAND**

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Jeanne Alvarez's license to practice professional nursing with approval to practice as a Nurse Practitioner in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. Section 2105-A(1-A) (B) and 10 M.R.S.A. Section 8003 (5) (A-1) (4). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Jeanne Alvarez, R.N., the 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 February 11, 1999 regarding information filed by Pamela Peddie and Dr. Harry Peddie which contained information of a possible violation of 32 M.R.S.A. Section 2105-A(2)(E), (2)(F) and (2)(H).

FACTS

As a result of the Board's review of this matter, the Board made the following findings of fact:

1. Ms. Alvarez admitted to practicing as a Family Nurse Practitioner and using that designation when she only held approval to practice as an Adult Nurse Practitioner.
2. Ms. Alvarez continued to see pediatric patients after she was informed by Board Staff that she was not allowed to see pediatric patients in the scope of her adult nurse practitioner approval.
3. Ms. Alvarez lied to the Board about seeing pediatric patients after she was informed that she could not treat them.
4. Ms. Alvarez had completed her education as a Family Nurse Practitioner but was not approved by the board to practice as a Family Nurse Practitioner.

AGREEMENT

5. Ms. Alvarez agrees and understands that her conduct constitutes unprofessional behavior within the meaning of 32 M.R.S.A. §2105-A(2)(F).
6. Ms. Alvarez is hereby **REPRIMANDED** for her conduct in this matter, and is advised to conform her future conduct in accordance with the established standards of professional behavior.



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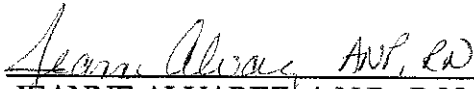
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7. Ms. Alvarez agrees and understands that any further acts of unprofessional conduct will be dealt with more severely by the Board.
8. Ms. Alvarez understands that this document imposes discipline regarding her license to practice professional nursing with approval to practice as a nurse practitioner in the State of Maine. Ms. Alvarez 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. Modification of this Consent Agreement must be in writing and signed by all parties. Ms. Alvarez affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free will.
10. This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement of two pages.

DATED: 10 March 99



JEANNE ALVAREZ, A.N.P., R.N.


DATED: March 12, 1999



DANIEL A. PILEGGI Esq.
Counsel for Ms. Alvarez

**FOR THE MAINE STATE BOARD
OF NURSING:**


DATED: March 15, 1999



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

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
ATTORNEY GENERAL:**

DATED: 3/29/99



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