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IN RE: DEBORAH A. HINKLEY )  
of Kingfield, ME )  
License No. LPN5810 )

CONSENT AGREEMENT  
FOR INACTIVE STATUS  
OF LICENSE

Complaint No. 2011-71

**INTRODUCTION**

This document is a Consent Agreement ("Agreement") regarding Deborah A. Hinkley's license to practice as a licensed practical nurse ("LPN") in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 10 M.R.S. § 8003 (5)(B). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Deborah A. Hinkley ("Ms. Hinkley"), the Maine State Board of Nursing ("the Board") and the Office of the Attorney General, State of Maine. The parties entered this Agreement for the purpose of agreeing to permit Ms. Hinkley to keep her license on inactive status with the understanding that she must meet with the Board to reactivate.

**FACTS**

1. Deborah A. Hinkley was originally licensed by the Board as an LPN to practice in Maine on November 27, 1978. Her license was placed on inactive status on January 4, 2012.
2. As a result of an informal conference with Ms. Hinkley on November 20, 2012, the Board has concerns with Ms. Hinkley's physical and overall medical health, as well as her ability to practice nursing.

**AGREEMENT**

3. The Board and Ms. Hinkley have agreed that Ms. Hinkley's license will remain on inactive status. This Agreement for inactive status is not discipline.
4. Ms. Hinkley understands and agrees that as a result of this Agreement, her license will remain on inactive status, effective upon the date of the final execution of this Agreement. Ms. Hinkley understands and agrees that upon receiving a written request from her to reactivate her Maine LPN license, the Board may require her to undergo a mental and/or physical health examination pursuant to 32 M.R.S. §2105-A (4). She also understands and agrees that the Board shall have the sole discretion to grant or deny such a request or to grant her a license with probation and conditions as it determines appropriate to protect the public.
5. Modification of this Agreement must be in writing and signed by all parties.
6. This Agreement is not intended to be formal disciplinary action. However, it is subject to the federal reporting requirements pursuant to Section 1128E of the Social Security Act and 45 CFR Part 61 and any other interstate/national reporting requirements.



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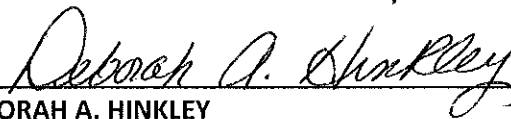
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7. This Agreement is a public record within the meaning of 1 M.R.S. §402 and will be available for inspection and copying by the public pursuant to 1 M.R.S. §408.
8. This Consent Agreement is not subject to review or appeal by Ms. Hinkley, but may be enforced by an action in the Superior Court.
9. Deborah A. Hinkley 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.

I, DEBORAH A. HINKLEY, HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING CONSENT AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THE EFFECT IT WILL HAVE ON MY NURSING LICENSE. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING IT, I WAIVE CERTAIN RIGHTS. I SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY, KNOWINGLY, AND INTELLIGENTLY AND AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THIS AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT CONTAINS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND THERE IS NO OTHER AGREEMENT OF ANY KIND.

DATED: 3/20/13

  
DEBORAH A. HINKLEY

FOR THE MAINE STATE  
BOARD OF NURSING

DATED: 3/25/13

  
MYRA A. BROADWAY, JD, MS, RN  
Executive Director

FOR THE OFFICE  
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DATED: 3/26/13

  
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