

6/12/00: Legal name  
change to  
LAURIE CHURCHILL.

State of Maine  
**Board of Registration in Medicine**  
2 Bangor Street  
State House Station #137  
Augusta, ME 04333  
(207)289-3601

In re: Laurie C. Ludington, M.D.  
104 Greenock Place  
Lumberton, NC 28358

CONSENT AGREEMENT REGARDING  
CONDITIONAL LICENSURE

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding the issuance of a conditional license to practice medicine and surgery in Maine to Laurie C. Ludington, M.D. This Consent Agreement is entered into between Dr. Ludington and the State of Maine Board of Registration in Medicine (the "Board"), and is entered into pursuant to the Board's authority as set forth in 32 M.R.S.A. §3282-A(1).

In contemplation of relocation to Calais, Maine with the intention to practice medicine in this state, Dr. Ludington has completed an application, pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. §3280, and Chapter 1, Section 13 of the Board's Rules & Regulations, to amend to active status her Maine license to practice medicine, certificate number 12050. In Dr. Ludington's application, by earlier notices to the Board, and in testimony before the North Carolina Board of Medical Examiners, Dr. Ludington has admitted to conduct which would be a ground for discipline pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. §3282-A(2)(B), the habitual abuse of the controlled drug Butalbital, the use of other controlled drugs for other than therapeutic purposes, and the abuse of alcohol. Dr. Ludington abused these substances for a period of years prior to entry into a program of recovery from addiction in February, 1987.

Dr. Ludington surrendered her license to practice medicine issued by the State of North Carolina on March 14, 1987, and she has been granted temporary licenses by that state annually since March 14, 1987 on the condition that she demonstrate satisfactory recovery from impairing addictive disease. No evidence exists that Dr. Ludington has engaged in the habitual use of drugs or alcohol since March 14, 1987, or that she has otherwise violated the conditions of her license by the State of North Carolina. Dr. Ludington has been evaluated by John C. Dalco, M.D., Clinical Director, Impaired Physician Program of the Maine Medical Association Committee on Physician Health. Dr. Dalco has recommended that Dr. Ludington can safely be conditionally licensed to engage in the active practice of medicine in Maine.

Dr. Ludington has entered into a "Moral Contract" with the Committee on Physician Health of the Maine Medical Association (a copy of which is attached and made a part hereof), which binds Dr. Ludington, for an indefinite period of time, to specified terms of treatment and monitoring by the Committee. The Board and the Committee on Physician Health have, pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. §3298, established protocols for the monitoring and reporting of impaired physicians within the program.

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NOW THEREFORE, it is agreed by the Board and Dr. Ludington that the registration of her Maine license to practice medicine shall be amended to permit active medical practice in Maine and shall, absent other grounds for discipline pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. §3282-A(2), remain eligible for biennial reregistration pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. §3280 on the condition that Dr. Ludington, until at least June 30, 1994, shall comply with all conditions and terms of the "Moral Contract" and such other terms and conditions as the Committee on Physician Health may require of Dr. Ludington.

Dr. Ludington agrees that she shall not apply to the Board for amendment of this condition on her license until after June 30, 1994, and that any amendment shall be in the sole discretion of the Board, which it may do with or without holding a hearing.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS:

A. NOTICE: Unless otherwise specified in this Consent Agreement, written notice shall be deemed served upon mailing by first class mail.

(1) Notice to the Board shall be sent to:

David R. Hedrick, Executive Director  
Maine Board of Registration in Medicine  
State House Station #137  
Augusta, ME 04333  
(207)289-3601

(2) The licensee can be reached at:

Laurie C. Ludington, M.D.  
104 Greenock Place  
Lumberton, NC 28358

or in Maine at:

Laurie C. Ludington, M.D.

(Home) 18 Germain St

CALAIS, ME 04619

(Home Telephone): \_\_\_\_\_

(Office) 5 PALMER ST

CALAIS, ME 04619

(Office Telephone): \_\_\_\_\_

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B. ADDRESS CHANGE: If the Licensee changes jobs, moves her residence, moves her office practice, changes telephone numbers at work or at home, or secures medical staff privileges at a hospital, the Licensee shall provide written notice to the Board within two weeks after such occurrence and shall provide the Board with all pertinent updated information.

C. COSTS: All costs incurred in performance in modified terms and conditions of this Consent Agreement shall be borne by the Licensee.

D. MAINTENANCE OF MAINE LICENSURE: Dr. Ludington shall maintain her Maine license in good standing through at least June 30, 1994. If she permits her Maine license to lapse or fails to maintain it in good standing, whether or not she continues to practice actively in Maine, her license shall be permanently revoked. It is understood and agreed that the reason for this provision is to ensure Dr. Ludington's continued compliance with the Conditions of the Consent Agreement.

E. SEVERENCE: If any clause of this Consent Agreement is deemed illegal or invalid, then that clause shall be deemed severed from this Consent Agreement.

AMENDMENT OF CONSENT AGREEMENT:

This Consent Agreement cannot be modified orally. It can only be modified only by a writing signed by the parties hereto and approved by the Maine Department of Attorney General.

(1) Requests for amendment made by the Licensee shall be made in writing addressed to the Board.

(2) The Board may also propose amendment by sending a written proposal to the Licensee.

ADVICE OF COUNSEL:

The Licensee has been informed that she has the right to legal counsel. She has the right to consult with an attorney before entering into this Consent Agreement.

WAIVER OF RIGHT TO APPEAL BOARD'S DECISION:

Dr. Ludington voluntarily enters into this Consent Agreement, and she recognizes that by doing so she waives any right to appeal the Board's decision to issue her a conditional license. This waiver of right to appeal does not apply to any proposed future modification or discipline of Dr. Ludington's license.

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I, LAURIE C. LUDINGTON, M.D., HAVE READ AND I 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, WRITTEN, VERBAL, OR OTHERWISE.

Dated: 5/29, 1990

Laurie C. Ludington  
LAURIE C. LUDINGTON, M.D.

STATE OF North Carolina  
County of Robeson, ss.

Before me, this 29 day of May, 1990, at  
(city) Pennettsville, (state) NC, personally appeared  
Laurie C. Ludington, M.D., known to me, who, first being duly sworn, signed the foregoing  
Consent Agreement in my presence or affirmed that the signature above is her own.

Dated: May 29, 1990

Bernard S. Charis  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
My Commission Expires: Oct 6 1992

ADOPTED AND IMPLEMENTED BY THE STATE OF MAINE BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN MEDICINE  
ON THE DATE SET FORTH BELOW.

Dated: 7 June, 1990

Edward David  
EDWARD DAVID, M.D., Chairman

APPROVED:

Dated: June 21, 1990

STATE OF MAINE  
DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL

KW Lehman  
by: KENNETH W. LEHMAN  
Assistant Attorney General