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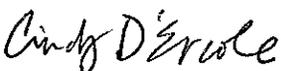
Re: Consent Agreement 13-MS-0005
Stacey Schauer Cooper

Dear Ms. Cooper:

This letter is to confirm that you satisfied all of the conditions set forth in the Consent Agreement and Order dated October 26, 2012. The case was closed on November 23, 2014.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,


Cindy D'Ercole
Special Investigator

Marty M. Snyder, KS S Ct #11317
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BEFORE THE BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES REGULATORY BOARD

In the Matter of)
)
Stacey Schauer, LMSW)
License #8330,)
Respondent)
_____)

Case No. 13-MS-0005

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER

NOW, on this 22nd day of October, 2012, the above-captioned matter comes before the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board [Board], by and through Assistant Attorney General Marty M. Snyder, by agreement of Stacey Schauer [Licensee] and the Board for the purpose of resolving the above-captioned case.

Licensee hereby acknowledges the following:

1. Stacey Schauer is currently a Licensed Master Social Worker within the meaning of the Kansas Social Workers Licensure Act, K.S.A. 65-6301, *et seq.*, and amendments thereto.
2. At the time relevant to this Consent Agreement and Order, Licensee was an applicant for a Master Social Worker license in Kansas pursuant to the Kansas Social Workers Licensure Act, K.S.A. 65-6301, *et seq.*, and amendments thereto.
3. On July 16, 2012, the Board received a self-report of information stating Licensee may have violated certain statutes and regulations governing unprofessional conduct.

4. The Board contacted Licensee to investigate possible violations of statutes and regulations. The Board additionally received a report of information from Licensee's therapist after receiving Licensee's self-report.
5. As a result of the self-report and subsequent investigation, the Board finds probable cause that the following facts have been established by clear and convincing evidence:
 - a. Licensee, a master social worker employed at a substance abuse treatment center in Missouri, self-reported that she entered into an intimate relationship with a former client.
 - b. Licensee worked with this client from August to November 2011.
 - c. Licensee entered into an intimate relationship with the client in December 2011, but then later discontinued the relationship in July 2012.
 - d. Licensee is currently licensed as a Master Social Worker in Kansas and Missouri.
 - e. Licensee was an applicant for a Master Social Worker license in Kansas as of March 11, 2011 and received her Master Social Worker license in Kansas in January 2012.

6. The Complaint Review Committee of the Board finds that Licensee has violated the following statute and regulations:

A. K.S.A. 65-6311. Grounds for suspension, limitation, revocation or refusal to issue or renew license; procedure.

(a) The board may suspend, limit, revoke, condition or refuse to issue or renew a license of any social worker upon proof that the social worker:

...

(4) has been found guilty of unprofessional conduct as defined by rules established by the board;

B. K.A.R. 102-2-7. Unprofessional Conduct. Any of the following acts by a licensee or an applicant for a social work license shall constitute unprofessional conduct:

...

(z) making sexual advances toward, engaging in physical intimacies or sexual activities with, or exercising undue influence over any person who, within the past 24 months, has been one's client;

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(tt) engaging in a dual relationship with a client, supervisee, or student.

However, Licensee and the Board mutually desire to enter a Consent Agreement and Order in lieu of adjudicative proceedings to resolve the report of alleged violations.

WHEREFORE, Licensee waives all rights to an adjudication of facts and law which could be determined pursuant to a hearing conducted in accordance with the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act in relation to Case No. 13-MS-0005.

WHEREFORE, Licensee waives the right to file a motion for reconsideration and all rights of appeal pursuant to the Kansas Judicial Review Act in relation to Case No.13-MS-0005.

WHEREFORE, Licensee consents to the suspension of her Master Social Worker license for a period of two (2) years commencing on the effective date of this Consent Agreement and Order. However, such suspension shall be stayed subject to the following terms and conditions:

- (a) Licensee shall prepare a 10-page professional quality paper on the importance of maintaining client-therapist boundaries, ethics, and avoiding dual relationships. The paper shall be in APA format, contain at least five professional references, and be submitted to the Board within 60 days of the effective date of this Consent

Agreement and Order.

- (b) Licensee is prohibited from providing services to female clients without another adult present during the term of this Consent Agreement and Order.
- (c) Licensee shall advise her employer that she is under a Consent Agreement and Order and shall provide a copy of the Consent Agreement and Order to her employer.
- (d) Licensee shall begin individual supervision with a Board-approved supervisor within 30 days of the effective date of this Consent Agreement and Order. Licensee shall meet with her supervisor one hour for every 40 hours of clinical practice, with the focus on the importance of maintaining client-therapist boundaries, ethics, and avoiding dual relationships. Licensee shall provide a copy of the Consent Agreement and Order to the supervisor and authorize the supervisor to provide written quarterly reports to Carol Baldwin, Special Investigator for the Board, during the term of this Consent Agreement and Order.
- (e) Licensee shall continue attending personal therapy sessions according to her therapist's recommendations during the term of this Consent Agreement and Order.
- (f) Licensee shall be responsible for any costs and expenses incurred in satisfying the terms of this Consent Agreement and Order.
- (g) Evidence of Licensee's breach, violation or failure to comply with any of the conditions will result in a hearing, with notice and opportunity to be heard, to determine whether Licensee has in fact breached, violated or failed to comply with any conditions. Upon determination at such hearing that Licensee has breached, violated or failed to comply with any condition, Licensee understands

and agrees that her Kansas Licensed Master Social Worker license may be suspended until such time as Licensee can demonstrate compliance with all terms and conditions of this Consent Agreement and Order to the satisfaction of the Board.

- (h) Licensee acknowledges that proof submitted to the Board by affidavit or other form of competent evidence that Licensee has breached, violated or failed to meet the conditions of this Consent Agreement and Order shall be good and sufficient evidence to support an alleged violation of breach, violation or non-compliance.
- (i) Licensee understands that a notification of this Consent Agreement and Order shall be provided to any other state licensing board if Licensee is also licensed, registered or certified in another state.
- (j) Licensee acknowledges an affirmative duty to notify the Board within five (5) days of any changes in personal or professional status which would inhibit compliance with any condition of this Consent Agreement and Order. In such event, a designee of the Board is authorized to modify or amend this Consent Agreement and Order in writing.
- (k) This Consent Agreement and Order constitutes the entire agreement between the Licensee and the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board and may be modified or amended only by written agreement signed by Licensee and the Board or a designee of the Board.

WHEREFORE, Licensee consents to the submission of this Consent Agreement and Order to the Board's Complaint Review Committee and understands that, upon approval by the Complaint Review Committee, this Consent Agreement and Order will

become a Final Order of the Board. The Board has authorized the Complaint Review Committee to determine approval of this Consent Agreement and Order.

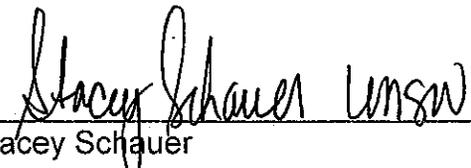
WHEREFORE, the Board agrees that, so long as Licensee complies with the above conditions, the Board will not initiate further disciplinary action against Licensee in relation to violations of K.S.A. 65-6311 and K.A.R. 102-2-7 as a result of this proceeding.

WHEREFORE, the foregoing provisions are consented to, are hereby made the final Order of the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board, and become effective on the date indicated in the Certificate of Service below.

IT IS SO ORDERED.


Terry Pfannenstiel
Chair, Complaint Review Committee

APPROVED AND CONSENTED TO:


Stacey Schauer
Licensee

10/12/12
Date

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

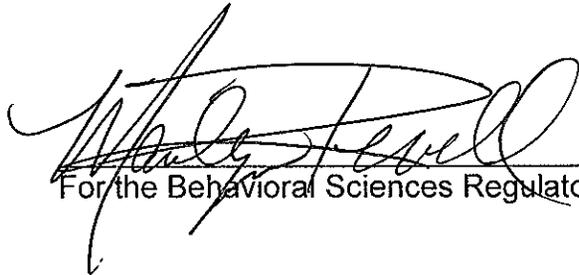
This is to certify that on this 26th day of October, 2012, a true and correct copy of the above Consent Agreement and Order was deposited in the U.S. mail, first class postage prepaid, addressed to:

Stacey Schauer



and a copy delivered via interoffice mail to:

Marty M. Snyder
Assistant Attorney General
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Topeka, KS 66612
Disciplinary Counsel for the Board



For the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board