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**BEFORE THE KANSAS BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES REGULATORY BOARD**  
700 SW Harrison Street, Suite 420  
Topeka, Kansas 66603-3929

In the Matter of )  
AMY K. WOODS, LPC ) Case No. 22-PC-0117  
License No. 2630 )  
)  
Licensee/Respondent. )

**CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER**

NOW on this 5 day of December, 2022, the above-captioned matter comes before the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board ("Board") by and through Assistant Attorney General Jane E. Weiler on behalf of the Board, and by agreement of Amy K. Woods, ("Licensee"), by an through his attorney of record, Diane Bellquist of Joseph, Hollander & Craft LLC, for the purposes of resolving the above-captioned matter.

The parties knowingly and voluntarily agree as follows:

1. On June 2, 2014, the Board issued Licensee an original Licensed Professional Counselor ("LPC") license No. 2630. This license will expire on June 30, 2024. Licensee is currently, and was at all times relevant to this Consent Agreement and Final Order, an LPC within the meaning of the Kansas Professional Counselors Licensure Act, K.S.A. 65-5801 *et seq.*
2. On or about February 28, 2022, the Board received a Report of Alleged Violation alleging Licensee may have violated certain statues and regulations governing the practice of licensed professional counselors in the State of Kansas.
3. Licensee was briefly employed as a District Counselor in a school district in the State of Kansas.

4. During this time, Licensee learned of an incident involving a student being bullied on the playground.

5. Licensee did not interact with this student, but she did address the issue with the student's teacher.

6. Licensee resigned this position, and went to another place of employment.

7. While working at this new place of employment, Licensee needed to discuss a client with the client's attorney.

8. The client's attorney was the parent to the child that was bullied at the school Licensee previously worked at.

9. Licensee discussed with the client's attorney this issues involved with the mutual client.

10. Licensee then discussed with the attorney that incident that occurred with the attorney's child on the playground.

#### **APPLICABLE LAW**

11. K.S.A. 65-5809(a)(9): The board may refuse to issue, renew or reinstate a license, may condition, limit, revoke or suspend a license, may publicly or privately censure a licensee or may impose a fine not to exceed \$1,000 per violation upon a finding that a licensee or an applicant for licensure has been found to have engaged in unprofessional conduct as defined by applicable rules and regulations adopted by the Board. Specifically, K.A.R. 102-3-12a(b)(10) offering to perform or performing professional counseling, assessments, consultations, or referrals clearly inconsistent or incommensurate with one's training, education or experience or with accepted professional standards.

12. Licensee and the Board mutually desire to enter into this Consent Agreement and Final Order in lieu of further summary and adjudicative proceedings.

13. Licensee understands that by entering into this Consent Agreement and Final Order Licensee waives all rights to further adjudication of facts and law that could be determined pursuant to summary proceedings or a hearing conducted in accordance with the Kansas Administrative Procedures Act, K.S.A. 77-501 *et seq.* in relation to Case No. 22-PC-0117.

14. Licensee waives the right to file a motion for reconsideration and all rights of appeal pursuant to the Kansas Act for Judicial Review, K.S.A. 77-601 *et seq.* in relation to Case No. 22-PC-0117.

15. The Board accepts Licensee's waiver of rights and stipulations.

**ORDER**

**WHEREFORE**, the Board finds that the above facts have been established by clear and convincing evidence; and further finds that Licensee was in violation of K.S.A. 65-5809(a)(9), as referenced in K.A.R. 102-3-12a(b)(10) in that Licensee discussed an incident with a student's parent after she was not employed as the District Counselor for the school district.

**AND WHEREAS** Licensee and the Board mutually desire to enter into a Consent Agreement and Final Order in lieu of further adjudicative proceedings to resolve the reported violations.

**NOW THEREFORE**, Licensee consents to the following terms and conditions, and the Board orders that:

16. Licensee shall practice only under individual supervision by a clinical-level supervisor, to be approved by the Board if employed using her LPC license. There shall be no dual relationship with the supervisor. Licensee shall have weekly one (1) hour meetings with the supervisor in a face to face manner. The focus shall include, but not limited to, professional conduct and accepted professional standards for a professional counselor. This requirement shall continue for one (1) year.

17. Within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this Consent Agreement and Final Order; or if Licensee is not currently working using her LPC license and prior to the beginning of using her LPC license, Licensee shall submit to the Board's investigator the name of her proposed supervisor.

18. Licensee shall provide a copy of this Consent Agreement and Final Order to the supervisor.

19. Licensee shall provide a copy of this Consent Agreement and Final Order to the supervisor and authorize the supervisor to provide written quarterly reports to the Board's Investigator for the one (1) year term of supervision. There shall be a minimum of four (4) quarterly reports (every three [3] months) submitted to the Board's investigator during this one (1) year supervision timeframe.

20. During the time this Consent Agreement and Final Order is in effect, Licensee shall not serve as a supervisor to any person actively using a license regulated by the Board in a position in which such license is required. In addition, Licensee shall not engage in the provision of clinical supervision to any person attaining supervised experience in preparation by the Board. Finally, Licensee shall not supervise any

unlicensed person, including students or volunteers, when such persons are engaged in the delivery of professional counseling services.

21. Hours of supervision attained by Licensee pursuant to this Consent Agreement and Final Order shall not count/accrue toward any supervised experience hours required for a higher level of licensure.

22. Additionally, Licensee shall obtain three (3) extra continuing education hours in Ethics beyond the biennial requirement, taken in-person or on-line within six (6) months of the effective date of this Consent Agreement and Final Order. These additional continuing education hours shall include, but not limited to, confidentiality.

28. These hours shall be in addition to those continuing education hours required for renewal of license.

24. All foreseen and unforeseen expenses to complete the aforementioned course(s) including travel, lodging, program fee, meals, etc., shall be at Licensee's own expense.

25. Licensee must notify the Board's Investigator within ten (10) days of a change in her employment and/or address change.

26. Licensee shall be responsible for any costs and expenses incurred in satisfying the terms of this Consent Agreement and Final Order.

27. Licensee shall submit to the Board's investigator at its offices located at 700 SW Harrison St, Suite 420, Topeka, Kansas, 66603, any and all documents evidencing compliance with the terms and conditions required by this Consent Agreement and Final Order.

28. After completion of the actions set out in the Consent Agreement and Final Order, Licensee will have no remaining obligations to the Board in relation to this case. However, Licensee may be subject to further enforcement action if Licensee fails to comply with the terms, conditions, and requirements imposed by this Consent Agreement and Final Order.

29. The matters referred to in this Consent Agreement and Final Order shall not be grounds for future action against Licensee, except the extent that that such matters may be relevant for future disciplinary or licensure proceedings in the Board's consideration of the factors identified in K.S.A. 65-5806 [Licensure; expiration and renewal; continuing education; reinstatement of suspended or revoked license], and K.S.A. 65-5809 [Refusal to issue, suspension, limitation, refusal to renew or revocation of license or specialty designation; grounds], for establishing rehabilitation or a pattern of conduct.

30. Except as provided in paragraph 29, this Consent Agreement and Final Order shall operate as a complete release of all claims the parties may have against each other pending before the Board and arising out of the Board's investigation of these matters. Licensee agrees not to file, or cause to be filed, any litigation or claims in any federal or state court of law or federal or state administrative agency against the Board, its agents, Board members, or employees, individually or in their official capacity. Such litigation or claims include, but are not limited to, any K.S.A. Chapter 60 or Chapter 61 civil action regarding negligence and/or a 42 United States Code action and/or any administrative petition for redress. Licensee agrees that all actions in this matter were a bona fide use of administrative discretion on the part of the Board, its members, and employees, which is a statutory exception to liability within the Kansas Tort Claims Act, K.S.A. 75-6104(b), (c) or (e).

31. Licensee agrees that this Consent Agreement and Final Order conforms to Kansas and federal law and that the Board has jurisdiction to enter into it and enter the Final Order provided for herein.

32. Licensee understands that a notification of this Consent Agreement and Final Order shall be provided to any other state licensing board or entity if Licensee is also licensed, registered or certified in another state.

33. This Consent Agreement and Final Order shall be a public record in the custody of the Board.

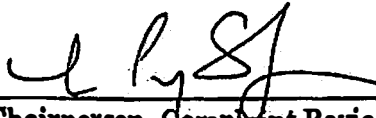
34. This Consent Agreement and Final Order constitutes the entire agreement of the parties and may only be modified by order of the Board or by a subsequent writing signed by the parties. The agreement shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas.

35. This Consent Agreement and Final Order shall become effective on the date indicated in the Certificate of Service.

**WHEREFORE**, the parties consent to these provisions, which are hereby made the Final Order of the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board in the above-captioned case.


**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 2022.

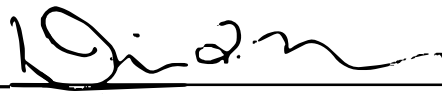


Chairperson, Complaint Review Committee  
On behalf of Kansas Behavioral Sciences  
Regulatory Board

**AGREED AND CONSENTED TO BY:**

  
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Amy K. Woods, LPC  
Licensee

12/2/2022  
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Date

  
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Diane Bellquist, #20969  
Attorney for Respondent/Licensee

12-2-2022  
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Date


**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Consent Agreement and Final Order was served on this 5 day of December 2022, by depositing the same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to:

Diane Bellquist  
*Attorney for Respondent/Licensee*  
Joseph, Hollander & Craft LLC  
1508 SW Topeka Blvd.  
Topeka, KS 66612

and by email to: [jane.weiler@ag.ks.gov](mailto:jane.weiler@ag.ks.gov)

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*Disciplinary Counsel for the Board*

  
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For the Kansas Behavioral Sciences  
Regulatory Board