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# BEFORE THE BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES BOARD STATE OF KANSAS

Chelsea F. Larkin LMSW 5192	)	
In the Matter of	)	Case No. 06-MS-15

#### SUMMARY PROCEEDING ORDER

NOW on this <u>22 nd</u> day of <u>December</u>, 2005, the above-captioned complaint comes before the Complaint Review Committee of the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board.

### Findings of Fact

The Committee finds that the following findings of facts have been established by clear and convincing evidence:

 Chelsea F. Larkin (Licensee / Respondent) is a Licensed Masters Social Worker, license #5192, issued by the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board (Board / Petitioner).

- 2. At all times relevant, Licensee has been practicing as Licensed Masters level Social Worker within the meaning of the Kansas Social Workers Act, K.S.A. 65-6301 *et seq.* and amendments thereto.
- 3. Licensee first received her LBSW license in August of 1998. It expired in 2002. She first received her LMSW license in October of 2002. Its current expiration date is October 31, 2006.
- 4. In August of 2005, Licensee obtained a prescription form from Galichia Medical Group (GMED) in Wichita, Kansas without authorization. Licensee circled the name "Kathy Kimpler, PA" on the form and dated it 08-14-05. She caused Kathy Kimpler's signature to be placed on the form but the signature was not authentic and she had no authority or permission to forge the signature of Ms. Kimpler.
- 5. With the fraudulent prescription form, Licensee attempted to have the prescription for Lortabs, an opiate, filled by the Wal-Mart pharmacy.
- 6. In August of 2005, Licensee obtained a prescription form from GMED without authorization. Licensee circled the name "Kathy Kimpler, PA" on the form and dated it 08-26-05. She caused Kathy Kimpler's signature to be placed on the form but the signature was not authentic and she had no authority or permission to forge the signature of Ms. Kimpler.
- 7. With the fraudulent prescription form, Licensee attempted to have the prescription for Lortabs, an opiate, filled by the Sam's Club pharmacy.
- 8. Both prescriptions were denied at the pharmacy counters, and a photograph of Licensee was later positively identified by pharmacy employees as the person who

presented the fraudulent prescription from the description they had noted.

- Based on this information, Galichia Heart Hospital (GHH) terminated Licensee's employment on August 31, 2005 for misfeasance, malfeasance or nonfeasance.
   However, Licensee failed to report the termination to the Kansas Behavioral Sciences
   Regulatory Board as required.
- 10. Licensee failed to respond to the allegations of this complaint by November 22, 2005, as required and to date has failed to respond to this complaint in any manner.
- 11. These facts state violations of K.A.R. 102-2-7 (b) (3) failing to notify the Board that her employment was terminated for malfeasance, and (h) failing to recognize, seek intervention and otherwise appropriately respond when one's own personal problems, psychological distress or mental health difficulties interfere with or negatively impact professional judgment (and/or) professional performance and functioning and (w) engaging in professional activities ... involving dishonesty ....

#### Sanction

Based on the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Committee, on behalf of the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board, finds that the LMSW license of Chelsea F. Larkin should be suspended effective immediately upon the date of the signature below.

Dated this 22 day of Ducumber , 2005.

Wesley Jones, Ph.D.
Chair, Complaint Review Committee

# NOTICE OF RELIEF FROM THIS SUMMARY PROCEEDING ORDER

Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-537, this Summary Proceeding Order is subject to your request for a hearing. If you desire a hearing, you must direct a written request for hearing in compliance with K.S.A. 77-542 to:

Phyllis Gilmore, Executive Director Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board 712 South Kansas Avenue Topeka, KS 66603

This written request must be filed within fifteen (15) days from the date indicated in the below Certificate of Service. If a hearing is not requested in the time and manner stated, this Summary Proceeding Order becomes final and effective upon the expiration of the time for requesting a hearing and will be a Final Order of the Board.

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that a copy of the above and foregoing Summary Proceeding Order was placed this 23<sup>23</sup> day of <u>December</u>, 2005, in the U.S. mail, first-class postage prepaid, addressed to:

Chelsea F. Larkin

For the Board Roger Scurlock