BEFORE THE BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES REGULATORY BOARD 712 South Kansas Avenue Topeka, Kansas 66603-3817

In The Matter)	
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of)	Case No. <u>631</u>
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Richard A. Stevens)	
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CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER

Now on this <u>Meth</u> day of <u>August</u>, 1996. the above-captioned matter comes before the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board (Board) by agreement of Richard A. Stevens for the purpose of settling the above-captioned case.

Richard A. Stevens hereby acknowledges that:

- 1. He was licensed to practice as a social worker, having been issued License LMSW #1844 by the Board pursuant to Kansas regulation of social workers act, K.S.A. 65-6301 et seq., and amendments thereto.
- 2. This license to practice as a social worker expired on August 31, 1995.
- 3. On September 25, 1995 the Board mailed a notice of expiration of license to this individual.
- 4. Although unlicensed, this individual continued to practice as a social worker without supervision until receipt of the notice of expiration of license. Subsequent to receiving the notice of expiration of license, the individual's participation in the delivery of social work was supervised in accordance with K.S.A. 65-6303(a) until the license was reinstated on November 13, 1995.
- 5. Licensee violated statutes and regulations governing the practice of social work, to wit:
- (a) K.S.A. 65-6303(a), prohibiting the practice of social work for compensation unless licensed;
- (b) K.S.A. 65-6307(a), authorizing the right to practice and use designated titles only if licensed;

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- (c) K.S.A. 65-6311(a)(4), unprofessional conduct as defined by K.A.R. 102-2-7(b)(46), practicing social work after expiration of the social worker's license.
- 6. Licensee desires to enter into a Consent Agreement and Order in lieu of adjudicative proceedings to which Licensee would otherwise be entitled to resolve a report of alleged violations.
- 7. 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.
- 8. Licensee waives all right to file a motion for reconsideration and all rights of appeal pursuant to the Kansas act for judicial review.

WHEREFORE Richard A. Stevens consents to continued licensure as a masters social worker on the following conditions:

- 1. Within four months of the date indicated in the Certificate of Service, Licensee will submit a 10 page, double spaced, typed, original paper pertaining to the rationale for state licensure of social workers. The paper shall be in the American Psychological Association (APA) style with at least 10 professional references integrated within the context of the paper.
- 2. Licensee's alleged failure to comply with the above condition will result in a hearing with notice and opportunity to be heard, to determine whether Licensee has in fact failed to comply with the condition. Upon determination at such hearing that Licensee has failed to comply with any condition, Licensee understands and agrees that the current social work license will be suspended for (1) month.
- 3. During the time this Consent Agreement and Order is in effect, Licensee shall not serve as a supervisor to any licensed or unlicensed person providing or assisting in providing social work services.
- 4. 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 the above condition. In such event, a designee of the Board is authorized to modify or amend this Consent Agreement and Order in writing.

WHEREFORE Licensee consents to the submission of this Consent Agreement and Order to the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board, and understands that upon approval of the Board, this Consent Agreement and Order becomes a final order of the Board.

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WHEREFORE the provisions above are consented to and are hereby made the final order of the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

For the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board

APPROVED AND CONSENTED TO:

(Name)

Certificate of Service

This is to certify that on the <u>20th</u> day of <u>Orgust</u>, 1996 a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Consent Agreement and Order was deposited in the U.S. mail, first class postage prepaid, addressed to:

Richard A. Stevens

For the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board

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