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BEFORE THE
NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF LICENSED PROFESSIONAL
COUNSELORS

In Re:)
)
Larry Willett, LPC, PhD.) CONSENT ORDER
RESPONDENT)

A complaint having been filed against Respondent with the North Carolina Board of Licensed Professional Counselors, and after investigation, the Board having found probable cause to believe that Respondent had violated provisions of the American Counseling Association Code of Ethics which has been adopted by the Board by rule, and thus violated North Carolina Licensed Professional Counselor=s Act, Chapter 90 Article 24 of the North Carolina General Statues. Respondent timely filed his response to the complaint. The Board and Respondent agree that it would serve the ends of justice that a Consent Order be entered which will resolve these matters without a formal hearing, and to that end, with the consent of all parties, the Board hereby enters the following Order:

IT IS, BY CONSENT, FOUND AS FACT, CONCLUDED AS LAW, and ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED;

1. At the request of client X, and with his permission, Respondent scheduled an appointment to see the two children of his client, X. Client X was seeing Respondent for issues relating to his parenting skills. At the time of the appointment the two children were seeing a therapist and were in their mother's custody. The Department of Social Services was also involved with the family.

2. Respondent did not inform the mother or the children's therapist of the appointment or of the reason for the appointment, relying instead on representations of Client X that he would inform the mother through the Department of Social Services.

3. Respondent submitted materials from colleagues documenting his long history of providing quality counseling services in his community without any prior complaints. There have in fact been no prior or subsequent complaints filed against Respondent.

4. The Board has required that Respondent complete 24 hours of continuing education, including the following: six (6) hours related to counseling ethics, including informed consent and parents' rights; twelve (12) hours on working with minor children and; six (6) hours related to the problems associated with counseling a divorced parent (or divorced parents). Although the Board required that the continuing education hours be completed within 12 months, Respondent completed same on or about 28 February 2011. The 24 hours are to be accrued in addition to the continuing education requirements for licensure renewal.

5. At the request of the Board, Respondent forwarded to the Board the certificates of completion along with a course description to the Board attorney for the Ethics Committee to review. Upon approval of the course requirements set forth in paragraph 4, the Respondent will be released from this consent order.

6. Respondent's failure to abide by this order can lead to disciplinary action by the Board after notice and an opportunity for hearing.

7. This order is a public record pursuant to North Carolina Law.

This 8 day of March, 2011.

Christine Greene
Christine Greene
Chairperson, NCBLPC

Consented to:

Larry Willett, Ph.D.
Larry Willett, LPC, PhD., Respondent