

**CONSENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
DENNIS GRAHAM
AND THE
OHIO STATE COUNSELOR AND SOCIAL WORKER BOARD**

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into the and between DENNIS GRAHAM, hereinafter, "**GRAHAM**", and the OHIO STATE COUNSELOR AND SOCIAL WORKER BOARD, hereinafter "**BOARD**", the state agency charged with enforcing Chapter 4757 of the Ohio Revised Code and all rules promulgated thereunder.

GRAHAM hereby acknowledges that he has read and understands this CONSENT AGREEMENT and has voluntarily entered into it without threat or promise by the **BOARD** or any of its members, employees or agents.

GRAHAM is fully aware of his rights, including his right to be advised by counsel and his right to a hearing pursuant to Chapter 119 of the Ohio Revised Code on the issues which are the subject of this CONSENT AGREEMENT. Should **GRAHAM** fail to comply with any provisions of this CONSENT AGREEMENT, **GRAHAM** knowingly waives his rights under ORC Chapter 119.

This CONSENT AGREEMENT contains the entire agreement between the parties, there being no other agreement of any kind, verbal or otherwise, which varies the terms of this CONSENT AGREEMENT.

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into on the basis of the following stipulations, admissions and understandings:

1. **GRAHAM** is a professional counselor (C-2381) licensed to practice counseling in the state of Ohio, and is subject to the laws and rules of Ohio regulating the practice of social work as outlined in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 4757.
2. On or about October 1, 1999, **GRAHAM** was found guilty in the Court of Common Pleas for Summit County to a charge of Unauthorized Use of Property, a misdemeanor of the first degree, in violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 2913.04. Said conviction constitutes a violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(A)(7), having been convicted in Ohio of a misdemeanor committed in the course of practice as a professional counselor.

3. **GRAHAM ADMITS** the allegation referenced in paragraph 2 referenced above.

Wherefore, in consideration of the foregoing and mutual promises hereinafter set forth, and in lieu of any formal disciplinary proceedings, **GRAHAM** knowingly and voluntarily agrees with **BOARD** to the following terms and conditions:

1. **GRAHAM'S** license to practice counseling is **SUSPENDED** for four(4) months.

It is hereby agreed by and between both parties that this **CONSENT AGREEMENT** hereby settles all issues concerning this matter.

By his signature on this **CONSENT AGREEMENT**, **GRAHAM** acknowledges that in the event the **BOARD**, in its discretion, does not approve this **CONSENT AGREEMENT**, this settlement offer is withdrawn and shall be of no evidentiary value and shall not be relied upon or introduced in any disciplinary action or appeal by either party. **GRAHAM** agrees that should the **BOARD** reject this **CONSENT AGREEMENT** and if this case proceeds to hearing, he will assert no claim that the **BOARD** was prejudiced by its review and discussion of this **CONSENT AGREEMENT** or of any information relating thereto.

If, following notice and an evidentiary hearing, not an ORC Chapter 119 hearing, **GRAHAM** is found by the **BOARD** to have violated any terms of this Consent Agreement, the **BOARD** may impose any penalty up to and including **REVOCAION** of **GRAHAM'S** professional counselor license based solely upon a violation of this Consent Agreement. **GRAHAM** may not appeal this action.

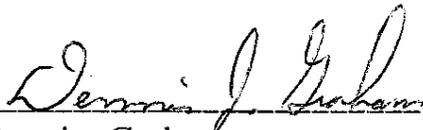
GRAHAM hereby releases the members of the **BOARD**, its officers and employees, jointly and severally, from any and all liability arising from the matter within.

This **CONSENT AGREEMENT** shall be considered a public record as that term is used in Section 149.43 of the Ohio Revised Code.

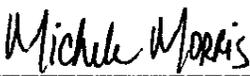
The **BOARD** shall incorporate this **CONSENT AGREEMENT** into a formal journal entry at its July, 2000, meeting.

This **CONSENT AGREEMENT** shall take effect upon the date of the last signature below:

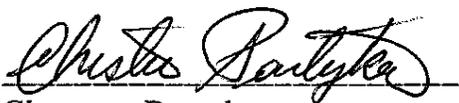
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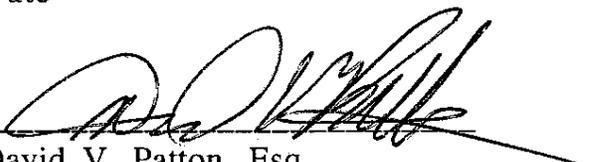
07-15-00
Date


Michelle Morris, Esq.
Counsel for Mr. Graham

07-17-00
Date


Chester Partyka
Chair, Counselor and Social Worker Board

July 21, 2000
Date


David V. Patton, Esq.
Assistant Attorney General
Counselor and Social Worker Board

7-19-00
Date