

Ms. Easter completed the terms of the  
consent agreement as of 11/19/2008.

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**CONSENT AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
CAROL EASTER  
AND THE  
STATE OF OHIO COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER, MARRIAGE AND  
FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD**

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into by and between **CAROL EASTER**, hereinafter, "**EASTER**" and the STATE OF OHIO COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD, hereinafter "**BOARD**" the state agency charged with enforcing Chapter 4757 of the Ohio Revised Code and all rules promulgated therein.

**EASTER** hereby acknowledges that she 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. **EASTER** is fully aware of her rights, including her right to be advised by counsel and her 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 **EASTER** fail to comply with any provisions of this CONSENT AGREEMENT, **EASTER** knowingly waives her 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 and, understandings:

1. **EASTER** is a professional clinical counselor (E-0003960) licensed to practice counseling in the State of Ohio, and is subject to the laws and rules of Ohio regulating the practice of counseling as outlined in Ohio Revised Code Section 4757 and Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 4757. **EASTER** received her clinical counselor license on May 16, 2003.
2. **EASTER** violated confidentiality while employed at Southern Ohio Medical Center, Portsmouth Ohio, on or about January 7, 2008. This action constitutes a violation of O.R.C. 4757.36 (A) (1) and O.A.C. 4757-5-02 (D) (1).
3. **EASTER** admits the allegation referenced in paragraph 2.

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

1. **EASTER'S** license to practice counseling (E-0003960) is **REPRIMANDED**.
2. **EASTER** must take a college course in counselor ethics education. The course must be pre-approved by the Board's Deputy Director or his designee. Once **EASTER** successfully completes the course, **EASTER** must send verification directly to the attention of the Investigation Unit at the Board office. The transcript verifying completion is due in the Board office no later than January 30, 2009. The credit earned may not be used toward the thirty (30) hours of continuing education required for license renewal. All costs associated with the course are at the expense of **EASTER**.

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

By her signature on this **CONSENT AGREEMENT**, **EASTER** 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. **EASTER** agrees that should the **BOARD** reject this **CONSENT AGREEMENT** and if this case proceeds to hearing, she will assert no claim that the **BOARD** was prejudiced by its review and discussion of this **CONSENT AGREEMENT** or of any information relating thereto.

**EASTER** 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. Pursuant to 42 USC Section 132a-73(b), 5 USC Section 552a, 45 CFR part 61, and Ohio Revised Code 3123.41 et seq., the **BOARD** may be required to provide **EASTER'S** social security number to requesting governmental agencies.

The **BOARD** shall incorporate this **CONSENT AGREEMENT** into a formal journal entry at its \_\_\_\_\_, 2008, meeting.

Consent Agreement between Carol Easter and the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

This CONSENT AGREEMENT shall take effect upon the date of the Board Chair's signature below:

Carol Easter, PCC  
Carol Easter, PCC

5-20-08  
Date

Kenneth E. Trivison  
Kenneth E. Trivison, PCC, IMFT  
Chair, Counselor, Social Worker,  
Marriage and Family Therapist Board

7/17/08  
Date

P.R. Casey IV  
Peter R. Casey IV, Esq  
Assistant Attorney General  
Counselor, Social worker, Marriage and  
Family Therapist Board

7/18/08  
Date