

NANETTE ROBERSON'S LICENSE TO PRACTICE SOCIAL WORK WAS SUSPENDED PER CONSENT AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD ON 9/25/98, FOR A PERIOD OF 24 MONTHS, 23 STAYED IF SHE WORKED UNDER APPROVED SUPERVISION FOR THE 23 MONTHS. THE TERMS OF THE CONSENT AGREEMENT ARE COMPLETE AS OF 9/25/2000.

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**CONSENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
NANETTE E. ROBERSON
AND THE
OHIO STATE COUNSELOR AND SOCIAL WORKER BOARD**

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into and between NANETTE E. ROBERSON, hereinafter, "**ROBERSON**", 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.

ROBERSON 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.

ROBERSON 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.

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. **ROBERSON** is a Licensed Independent Social Worker (I-5312) licensed to practice social work 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. From on or about November 13, 1989, to on or about June 19, 1998, **ROBERSON** was employed at Mercy Medical Center in Canton, Ohio as a program coordinator. On May 14, 1998, one of **ROBERSON'S** clients was released from therapy. Towards the end of May 1998, after said client had been released from therapy, **ROBERSON** entered into a personal, non-sexual relationship, with said client and allowed said client to live in her home.
3. **ROBERSON'S** conduct as described in paragraph two (2) above constitutes a violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(A)(1) and Ohio Administrative Code Section 4757-5-01(C)
4. **ROBERSON ADMITS** the allegation referenced in paragraph three (3) above.

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

A. **ROBERSON'S** license to practice social work in the State of Ohio is suspended for twenty-four (24) months. Twenty-three (23) months of said suspension shall be stayed if **ROBERSON** complies with the supervision requirements outlined in paragraph (A)(1) below:

1. **ROBERSON** shall be supervised by a supervisor pre-approved by the **BOARD** during the entire stayed twenty-three (23) month period, as referenced in paragraph (A) above. On or before October 12, 1998, **ROBERSON** shall submit to the **BOARD** for its prior approval the name and resume of a proposed supervisor.

The supervisor shall meet with **ROBERSON** for two (2) hours for every forty (40) hours that **ROBERSON** works or two (2) hours a week if **ROBERSON** is not employed. The supervision shall focus on the appropriate boundaries that a social worker should maintain with his or her client and ethics in the social work profession.

Every other month the supervisor shall provide the **BOARD** with a written report detailing **ROBERSON'S** progress and status. Said reports shall be submitted to the **BOARD** by the first day of every other month with the first report due November 1, 1998. Said reports shall be mailed or faxed directly to the **BOARD'S** offices at 77 South High Street, 16th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43266-0340 to the attention of the Investigative Supervisor. **ROBERSON** shall ensure that all of said reports are submitted to the **BOARD** in accordance with this **CONSENT AGREEMENT**.

Failure of **ROBERSON** to comply with any part of this section (section (A)(1)) shall result in **ROBERSON** being actively suspended for twenty-four (24) months starting from the date which the violation of this section occurred.

B. This Consent Agreement will be considered a public record as that term is used in Ohio Revised Code 149, *et seq.*

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**, **ROBERSON** 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. **ROBERSON** 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.

ROBERSON 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 September, 1998, meeting.

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

THE OHIO COUNSELOR AND
SOCIAL WORKER BOARD

Nanette E. Roberson
NANETTE E. ROBERSON

Robert L. Moore
ROBERT L. MOORE
Chairman, Ohio Counselor and Social Worker
Board

September 7, 1998
DATE

9-25-98
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