



**STATE OF OHIO
COUNSELOR AND SOCIAL WORKER BOARD**

ADJUDICATION ORDER
in the Matter of:

Kay George
14438 Road 126
Paulding, Ohio 45879

IN THE MATTER OF KAY GEORGE TO PRACTICE AS A LICENSED SOCIAL WORKER IN THE STATE OF OHIO.

THE MATTER OF KAY GEORGE CAME BEFORE THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE SOCIAL WORKER PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE OF THE OHIO COUNSELOR AND SOCIAL WORKER BOARD: JANE A. DAROFF, ROCKY BLACK, GWENDOLYN DACONS-TAYLOR, PENNY WYMAN, AND CHESTER PARTYKA.

FINDINGS, ORDER, AND JOURNAL ENTRY

This matter came for consideration after a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing was issued to Kay George by the Social Work Professional Standards Committee on January 24, 2000.

Pursuant to R.C. 119.07 licensees are entitled to a hearing before the Board if such a hearing is requested within thirty days of the mailing of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing. In this case, Kay George failed to make a timely request for such a hearing, therefore pursuant to *Goldman v. State Medical Board* (March 29, 1996) Franklin County Court of Appeals, 95 APE 10-1358 a hearing was held before the Social Work Professional Standards Committee on July 20, 2000. At this hearing the Board by and through their Assistant Attorney General, David V. Patton, presented evidence in support of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing. Kay George was not present.

Summary of Evidence

State's Exhibits

1. Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Kay George, dated January 24, 2000, and copy of Certified Mail Receipt P848701331.

2. Letter dated June 5, 2000, from the Board to Ms. George scheduling a hearing on July 20, 2000, pursuant to *Goldman v. State Medical Board* (March 29, 1996) Franklin County Court of Appeals, 95 APE 10-1358.

3. Letter dated July 9, 1999, to the Board from The Marsh Foundation

3A. Memo from Kyan Renner, The Marsh Foundation, to Kay George dated April 16, 1999.

3B. Letter dated June 9, 1999, from The Marsh Foundation to Kay George

3C. Letter dated June 12, 1999, from Kay George terminating her employment at The Marsh Foundation

3D. Memo from Kyan Renner, The Marsh Foundation, to Kay George dated June 15, 1999.

3E. Letter dated June 29, 1999, from The Marsh Foundation to Kay George

4. Testimony of William L. Hegarty, Investigative Supervisor, for the Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board.

Findings of Fact

Kay George failed to complete required documentation regarding her clients at The Marsh Foundation. This is in violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(A)(1) and Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4757-5--01(I)(1 and (2).

Conclusions of Law

Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(A) and Ohio Administrative Code Section 4757-5-01(I)(1) provides that the Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board may take disciplinary action against a licensee who has failed to ensure that documentation in client records is accurate and reflects the services provided.

Discussion

Ms. George is licensed as a social worker in the State of Ohio and as such the Committee has jurisdiction to discipline the license of Ms. George for failure to complete required client documentation..

As required in the case of *Goldman v. State Medical Board* (March 29, 1996) Franklin County Court of Appeals 95APE10-1358, all cases where a Board issues a Notice for Opportunity for Hearing and the individual does not request a hearing, the Board still must review evidence presented to it and make specific findings of fact. In this case, Ms. George did not request a hearing after receipt of her Notice for Opportunity for Hearing.

THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED that for the reasons outlined in this ORDER, the social work license of Kay George (S-6746) is REVOKED. This ORDER was approved by a majority vote of the Members of the Social Work Professional Standards Committee who heard this case.

Motion carried by order of the Counselor and Social Worker Board

It is hereby certified by this Board that the above language is incorporated into the Board's journal in this matter.

APPEAL RIGHTS

Pursuant to Section 119.12 of the Ohio Revised Code, you may appeal from this Order. Such an appeal may be taken to the court of common pleas in the county in which your place of business is located or to the court in the county in which you reside. If you do not have a place of business in Ohio and are not a resident of Ohio, you may appeal to the Court of Common Pleas in Franklin County, Ohio.

Such an appeal, setting forth the Order appealed from and the grounds of the appeal must be commenced by the filing of a Notice of Appeal with the State of Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board and the appropriate Court within fifteen (15) days after the mailing of this notice and in accordance with the requirements of Section 119.12 of the Ohio Revised Code.

By Order of the State of Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board.


Chester Partyka
Chairman