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Ms. Taber completed the terms of the consent agreement as of 4/17/2000

CONSENT AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
LORI TABER  
AND THE

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COUNSELOR AND SOCIAL  
WORKER BOARD

OHIO STATE COUNSELOR AND SOCIAL WORKER BOARD

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into and between LORI TABER, hereinafter, "TABER", 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.

TABER 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.

TABER 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. TABER is a Social Worker (S-9889) 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 O.R.C. Chapter 4757.
2. TABER admits that she had a personal relationship with Person #1, the father of her client, beginning in ~~February~~ <sup>MARCH</sup> 1997 and lasting approximately for a two month period. TABER was of the belief that at the time of the commencement of this personal relationship, her client/social worker relationship with the client had terminated with the transferal of the case to another agency social worker. TABER now understands that officially she was considered by her employer to be the social worker of record at the time of the commencement of the personal relationship. TABER admits the personal relationship subsequently became one of a consensual sexual nature during a time period when TABER was undergoing multiple stress factors with respect to the terminal illness and death of her father, financial hardships and an ongoing custody dispute with her ex-spouse. The personal relationship was established prior to the changes in the Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board law, specifically O.R.C. 4757.36 on March 18, 1997.

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3. **TABER'S** actions constitute violations of O.R.C. 4757.13(A) (ORC 4757.36(A)(1) as of 3/18/97, O.A.C. 4757-21-01 (B)(1), and Appendix B: Code of Ethics of the National Association of Social Workers Section II(F)(4)

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

- A. **TABER'S** license to practice social work in the State of Ohio (S-9889) is **SUSPENDED** for a period of six (6) months. Such suspension will be **STAYED** for a period of three (3) months and three (3) months will be an **ACTIVE** suspension.
- B. **TABER** will participate in two (2) educational workshops, at her own expense and preapproved by the **BOARD**, that will focus on boundaries and ethics of social work. These two (2) workshops are **NOT** to be included as part of **TABER'S** mandatory continuing education requirements.

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

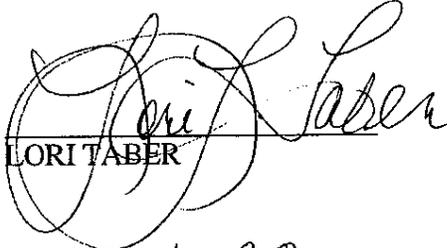
By her signature on this **CONSENT AGREEMENT**, **TABER** acknowledges that in the event the **BOARD**, in its discretion, does not approve this **CONSENT AGREEMENT**, this settlement offer is withdrawn and shall be of no evidentiary value and shall not be relied upon or introduced in any disciplinary action or appeal by either party. **TABER** 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.

**TABER** 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 May, 1998, meeting.

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

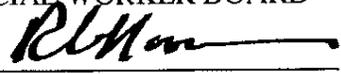
  
LORI TABER

4-24-98  
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STEVEN L. DILLER  
Counsel for Lori Taber

4/23/98  
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THE OHIO COUNSELOR AND  
SOCIAL WORKER BOARD

  
ROBERT MOORE  
Chair, Counselor and Social Worker Board

22 MAY 98  
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JONATHAN M. BOWMAN  
Assistant Attorney General  
Counselor and Social Worker Board

May 22, 1998  
DATE