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ADJUDICATION ORDER in the Matter of:

Rodney Stinson, LSW
1114 N. Baxter
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IN THE MATTER OF THE ELIGIBILITY OF RODNEY STINSON TO MAINTAIN
LICENSURE AS A SOCIAL WORKER IN THE STATE OF OHIO.

THE MATTER OF RODNEY STINSON CAME BEFORE THE SOCIAL WORKER
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE OF THE OHIO COUNSELOR,
SOCIAL WORKER, AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD ON
JULY 15, 2010.

State's Exhibits

1. Notice of Opportunity for hearing dated January 22, 2010
2. Request for hearing dated February 22, 2010
3. Continuance letter dated February 23, 2010
4. Scheduling letters dated April 12, 2010, and April 16, 2010
5. St. Rita's Medical Center policy on ethical stands and ethical practice
6. Coaching document dated 5/4/07 concerning Mr. Stinson
7. Mr. Stinson's job description from St. Rita's Medical Center
8. Mr. Stinson's resignation letter dated 6/8/09
9. Credential View Screen pertaining to Mr. Stinson

Mr. Stinson did not present any exhibits

FINDINGS, ORDER, AND JOURNAL ENTRY

This matter came for consideration after a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing was issued to Rodney Stinson by the Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board on January 22, 2010. An administrative hearing was held on May 11, 2010, at 9:30 a.m. in the offices of the Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board, 50 W. Broad Street, Suite 1075, Columbus, Ohio 43215, pursuant to Chapter 119 and Section 4757 of the Ohio Revised Code. The State was represented by Assistant Attorney General Leah V.B. O'Carroll. Rodney Stinson appeared via telephone – speaker phone and was not represented by counsel.

The Social Worker Professional Standards Committee has reviewed the Hearing Officer Report and Recommendations prepared in this case following the administrative hearing, and attached to this Order. The Committee concurs with the Hearing Officer's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and accepts the Recommendation of the Hearing Officer. The Committee finds that Mr. Stinson violated Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(A)(1), and Ohio Administrative Code Section 4757-5-01(A)(2). The Committee Orders that Mr. Stinson's license to practice social work (S.0030742) is suspended for three months beginning July 15, 2010. Also after Mr. Stinson completes his suspension and returns to work as a social worker, he must receive face-to face monitoring, by an individual pre-approved by the Board, one-hour every week for a period of 18 months. Mr. Stinson should not select a monitor with which he has a prior relationship. If any previous relationship with the monitor exists, Mr. Stinson must provide full disclosure of such a relationship in the request for monitor approval. The 18-month monitoring period will not begin until Mr. Stinson's monitor is approved. Monitoring should focus on, but not limited to, Mr. Stinson's role in professional relationships, ethical decision-making, and proper record keeping. Mr. Stinson's monitor is required to submit a report to the Board, quarterly, detailing topics discussed during supervision sessions, areas of concern, and areas for improvement. At the end of the 18-month monitored period, Mr. Stinson's monitor will make a final report encompassing the 18 months of monitoring. If Mr. Stinson's monitor is concerned with Mr. Stinson's practice at any time the Board should be notified immediately. It is Mr. Stinson's responsibility to ensure that the Board receives the monitor's reports. All costs associated with the monitoring are at the expense of Mr. Stinson.

This ORDER was approved by unanimous vote of the Members of the Committee who reviewed this case. Timothy Brady recused himself from any discussion or vote on this case.

Motion carried by order of the Social Work Professional Standards Committee of the Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board.

APPEAL RIGHTS

Under the provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 119.12, any party adversely affected by an order of an agency issued pursuant to an adjudication denying an applicant admission to an examination, or denying the issuance or renewal of a license or registration of a license, or revoking or suspending a license, may appeal from the order of the agency to the court of common pleas of the county in which the place of business of the licensee is located or the county in which the licensee is a resident. If any such party is not a resident of and has no place of business in Ohio, the party may appeal to the court of common pleas of Franklin County.

This *Order* may be appealed in accordance with Section 119.12 of the Ohio Revised Code by filing the original Notice of Appeal with the Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapy Board, 50 W. Broad Street, Suite 1075, Columbus, Ohio 43215, and also a copy of that Notice of Appeal with the Court of Common Pleas in the county of the party's place of business, or in the county in which the party is a resident. The Notice of Appeal shall set forth the Order appealed from and the grounds of the Party's appeal. Such Notice of Appeal and copy shall be filed and must be delivered within fifteen (15) days after the mailing of this *Adjudication Order*.

By Order of the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board.



James R. Rough, Executive Director

7-16-10

Date

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