

Consent Agreement between Curtis D. Jackson and the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

**CONSENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
CURTIS D. JACKSON
AND THE
STATE OF OHIO COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER, MARRIAGE AND
FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD**

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into by and between CURTIS D. JACKSON, hereinafter, "JACKSON" 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.

JACKSON hereby acknowledges that he 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. JACKSON is fully aware of his rights, including his right to be advised by counsel and his 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 and, understandings:

1. JACKSON is a social worker (S-1002048) 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 Section 4757 and Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 4757. JACKSON received his social worker license on November 19, 2010.
2. In October 2013, JACKSON, while employed at an agency in Rock Creek, sexually harassed a client, and attempted to have a multiple relationship with a family member of a client. This action constitutes a violation of O.R.C. 4757.36 (C) (1), and O.A.C 4757-5-02 (F).
3. JACKSON neither admits nor denies the allegations referenced in paragraphs 2.

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

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1. JACKSON must take three (3) hours in continuing education in ethics. The continuing education must be pre-approved by the Board's Deputy Director or his designee. Once JACKSON successfully completes the hours, JACKSON must send verification directly to the attention of the Investigation Unit at the Board office. The verification of completion is due in the Board office no later than May 15, 2014. The hours earned from the three continuing education hours 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 JACKSON.
2. JACKSON must be monitored in all aspects of his practice of social work and receive face-to-face monitoring at the rate of one hour per every forty hours of work for a one (1) year period. JACKSON'S monitor must be pre-approved by the BOARD, hold an independent level license with the supervision designation and should not have a prior relationship with JACKSON. If a previous relationship exists, JACKSON must provide full disclosure of such a relationship in the request for monitor approval. All cost associated with monitoring will be at JACKSON'S expense. The request for monitor approval must be made in writing include a copy of the monitor's vita. Monitoring should focus on, but not be limited to, ethical decision making, confidentiality, multiple relationships and standards of care. Monitoring should be considered training in nature and should not be limited to simply approving and denying case plans. JACKSON'S monitor must submit quarterly reports to the BOARD for the entire period detailing topics discussed during monitoring sessions, areas of concern, areas of improvement and make a recommendation with regards to JACKSON'S suitability to practice. However, if JACKSON'S monitor is concerned with JACKSON'S practice at any time during the probationary period the BOARD should be notified immediately. It is JACKSON'S responsibility to ensure that the BOARD receives all monitoring reports.

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

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

JACKSON hereby releases the members of the BOARD, its officers and employees, jointly and severally, from any and all liability arising from the matter within.

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This CONSENT AGREEMENT shall be considered a public record as that term is used in Section 149.43 of the Ohio Revised Code. All parties to this Consent Agreement understand that this information will be sent to the United States Department of Health and Human Services' National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB), pursuant to Title IV of Public Law 99-660, the Healthcare Quality Improvement Act of 1986, as amended; Section 1921 of the Social Security Act; and Section 1128E of the Social Security Act, as amended by Section 221(a) of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996. The BOARD shall incorporate this CONSENT AGREEMENT into a formal journal entry at its March meeting.

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

Curtis D. Jackson, LSW, LPC
Curtis D. Jackson

Mary J. Venrick LSW, LPC
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Chair, Counselor, Social Worker,
Marriage and Family Therapist Board

3/18/14
Date

3-21-14
Date

Yvonne Tertel, Esq.
Assistant Attorney General
Counselor, Social worker, Marriage and
Family Therapist Board

Date