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BEFORE THE
BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKERS
STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of the License as)
a Clinical Social Worker of:)
DENNIS C. FLORENDO, LCSW,) STIPULATED FINAL ORDER
Licensee.)

1.

The Board of Clinical Social Workers (Board) is the state agency responsible for licensing, regulating and disciplining clinical social workers in the State of Oregon. Dennis C. Florendo, LCSW (Licensee) has been licensed by the Board as a clinical social worker in Oregon since January 18, 1988.

2.

On July 29, 1996, the Board served Licensee with a Notice of Proposed License Revocation and informed Licensee that it intended to revoke his license as a clinical social worker for unprofessional conduct with clients TLS, CNB and KCT, based on four violations of law. The Notice of Proposed License Revocation is attached hereto, marked Exhibit A and made a part hereof.

3.

On August 22, 1996, Licensee submitted his Answer to Notice of Proposed License Revocation and Request for Hearing to the Board. Licensee agreed that some of the actions alleged by the Board in the Board's Notice occurred, but denied several other of the allegations. A copy of the Answer to Notice of Proposed

1 License Revocation and Request for Hearing is attached hereto,
2 marked Exhibit B and made a part hereof. Licensee requested a
3 hearing which was scheduled for May 5 and 6, 1997. Prior to the
4 hearing, Licensee and the Board reached a settlement agreement.

5 4.

6 The Board, by and through its Administrator Elizabeth Buys,
7 and Licensee stipulate and agree that they are willing to
8 informally dispose of and settle this matter on the basis of
9 settlement and compromise. This stipulation sets forth the
10 following facts upon which the parties have agreed:

11 3.1 Licensee agrees that there are sufficient grounds to
12 support a finding by the Board that Licensee violated
13 OAR 877-030-070(6) and is willing for the Board to enter an order
14 finding that this violation was committed as alleged by the Board.

15 3.2 Licensee and the Board adopt the Notice of Proposed
16 License Revocation dated July 29, 1996, which is attached hereto,
17 marked Exhibit A, and made a part hereof, except to the extent
18 that Licensee denied the Board's allegations in Licensee's Answer
19 dated August 22, 1996.

20 **FINAL ORDER**

21 The Board and Licensee agree that this disciplinary action
22 may be concluded by the entry of this order upon the following
23 terms and conditions:

24 1. Licensee understands that all investigative materials
25 prepared or received by the Board concerning this violation and

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1 all related notices and pleadings may be retained in the Board's
2 file concerning this matter.

3 2. Licensee understands of his right to request a hearing in
4 this matter pursuant to ORS 183.415(2)(a), and to be represented
5 at a hearing pursuant to ORS 183.415(3).

6 3. In lieu of a formal hearing in this matter, Licensee
7 consents to the Board entering a Stipulated Final Order finding
8 that Licensee violated OAR 877-30-070(6), and waives all rights to
9 have a hearing, rehearing, appeal or judicial review relating to
10 this Stipulated Final Order.

11 4. Licensee shall be placed on probation for three years
12 from the execution of this Stipulated Final Order.

13 5. Upon execution of this Stipulated Final Order, Licensee
14 agrees and shall enter into a plan of supervision for two years,
15 subject to Board approval, and enroll in continuing education as
16 follows:

17 a. The Board will supply six possible supervisors for Licensee
18 in writing. Each possible supervisor shall have been
19 solicited to determine his/her willingness to serve as a
20 supervisor for Licensee.

21 b. Upon presentation of the six possible supervisors, Licensee
22 shall indicate his selection in writing to the Board within
23 15 days.

24 c. The selected supervisor shall develop a plan of supervision
25 and submit it for the Board's approval. The plan shall be at
26 least two years in length and include one hour of face-to-
face supervision every two weeks for the 24 months following
initiation of the plan. The selected supervisor shall submit
a status report to the Board every six months.

d. Supervision shall be at the sole expense of Licensee.

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1 e. Licensee shall take 20 hours of additional continuing
2 education, above and beyond that required for licensure,
3 within one year following the execution of this Stipulated
4 Order. The actual class(es) taken by Licensee to fulfill
5 this requirement shall be decided by the supervisor.
6 However, all 20 hours must deal generally with professional
7 ethics and focus on communication skills, transference and
8 countertransference issues, sensitivity training for
9 treatment of fragile or susceptible clients.

10 f. All expenses associated with this requirement shall be borne
11 by Licensee.

12 6. If the Board finds, after a contested case hearing, that
13 Licensee has violated any of the terms of this Stipulated Final
14 Order, that violation shall constitute grounds for disciplinary
15 action up to and including revocation of Licensee's license.

16 This Stipulated Final Order sets forth the entire agreement and
17 stipulation of the parties to resolve this matter.

18 IT IS SO STIPULATED this 23 day of May, 1997.

19 Signature on File in Board Office

20 _____
21 DENNIS C. FLORENDO, LCSW

22 IT IS SO STIPULATED AND ORDERED this 3rd day of
23 June, 1997.

24 BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKERS

25 Signature on File in Board Office

26 By: _____
ELIZABETH BUYS, ADMINISTRATOR

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