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BEFORE THE
BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKERS
OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of

ROBERT A. F. WHITE

Respondent.

**STIPULATION FOR VOLUNTARY
PERMANENT SURRENDER OF
CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK LICENSE IN
LIEU OF REVOCATION and
FINAL ORDER**

Case No. 2004-11

STIPULATION

1.

The Board of Clinical Social Workers (Board) is the agency responsible for licensing, regulating, and disciplining Licensed Clinical Social Workers in the State of Oregon.

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Robert A.F. White , LCSW, (White) is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in the State of Oregon and subject to the jurisdiction of the Board.

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On January 6, 2005 White was indicted by a Tillamook County Grand Jury of 81 felony counts involving billing federal health care programs for clinical social work services within the meaning of ORS 675.510(2) that he did not render. On June 24, 2005, White pled guilty to eight (8) felony counts including six (6) counts of Submitting False Claims for Health Care Payment, one count of Theft in the First Degree and one count of Aggravated Theft in the First Degree pursuant to a negotiated plea agreement. (See Attachment A-Petition to enter Plea of Guilty). On July 6, 2005, White was sentenced to 30 months prison. In addition, White agreed to and did pay the full restitution of \$169,620.59. White also agreed to permanently surrender his Clinical Social Work license.

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2 Based on the foregoing, the Board finds and concludes that:

3 (a) White has been convicted of felony crimes in Oregon based on conduct committed in
4 the course of practicing as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), which is grounds for
5 discipline under ORS 675.540(1)(a);

6 (b) White participated in dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation based on the
7 conduct underlying White's convictions, in violation of OAR 877-030-0040(2), which is grounds
8 for discipline under ORS 675.540(1)(e); and

9 (c) White's convictions and the conduct underlying such convictions are egregious and
10 warrant revocation under ORS 675.540(2)(a) and 675.595(3).

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12 White desires to settle this matter by entering into this Stipulation for Voluntary
13 Permanent Surrender of his Clinical Social Work license in lieu of revocation (Stipulation) and
14 entry of the Final Order below, pursuant to ORS 183.415(5) and OAR 877-020-0031(2).

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16 White acknowledges and understands the following:

17 a. The conduct resulting in the violations described in this Stipulation and Final
18 Order are considered by the Board to be of a very serious and grave nature, which warrant
19 revocation.

20 b. This Stipulation and Final Order will be submitted to the Board for approval and
21 is subject to and conditioned upon acceptance and approval by the full Board.

22 c. White is prohibited after issuance of the Final Order below from using the title of
23 or purporting to be a licensed Clinical Social Worker, or using any other title that includes those
24 words. White agrees to never seek or make application again for licensure in Oregon as a
25 Licensed Clinical Social Worker or Clinical Social Work Associate and to never again engage in
26 the practice of clinical social work in Oregon.

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FINAL ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, based on the Stipulation by ROBERT A.F. WHITE, LCSW (White) above, which is incorporated herein by this reference, and pursuant to ORS 183.415(5), it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

- (1) The above Stipulation for Voluntary Permanent Surrender of Clinical Social Work License in lieu of revocation submitted by White is accepted;
- (2) White shall within ten (10) days surrender to the Board his Clinical Social Work License certificate;
- (3) White is, effective immediately and forever hereafter, prohibited from using the title of or purporting to be a License Clinical Social Worker or Clinical Social Work Associate, or using any other title that includes those words; and
- (4) White is further prohibited from ever applying for a new Licensed Clinical Social Worker license or Clinical Social Work Associate certificate in the State of Oregon.

ISSUED this 20 day of July, 2005:

**BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKERS
State of Oregon**

By: Signature on File in Board Office
Mark F. Oldham, Chair