

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

In the Matter of

ALICE J. ROTHSCHILD, LCSW,

Licensee.

Case No. IMP 2005-01

CORRECTED FINAL ORDER BY DEFAULT
(License Revocation and Assessment of Costs)

On December 19, 2005, the State Board of Clinical Social Workers (Board) issued a Notice of Proposed Disciplinary Action and Right to Hearing (Notice) stating that the Board intended to revoke the Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) license of Alice J. Rothschild, LCSW (Licensee), and assess the costs of this disciplinary proceeding against Licensee, for violations of OAR 877-035-0015(2)(b), OAR 877-035-0015(2)(d), or OAR 877-030-0090(2), pursuant to ORS 675.540(1)(e), ORS 675.540(2)(a), ORS 675.595(3), and ORS 675.595(17).

The Notice was served on Licensee by regular and certified U. S. Mail addressed to Licensee at Licensee's address of record with the Board at 2145 Essex Lane, Eugene, Oregon 97403 on December 19, 2005. The certified mail return receipt (Receipt # 7004-1160-0001-1233-6786) shows that Licensee received the Notice on December 22, 2005.

The Notice informed Licensee of the opportunity for a hearing if requested in writing within sixty (60) days of mailing of the Notice. The Notice further informed Licensee that if a written request for hearing is not received within this 60-day period, then Licensee's right to a hearing shall be considered waived.

The Board did not receive a written request for hearing from Licensee within the allotted time and has to date not received any request for hearing from Licensee. Licensee is therefore in default. The Notice further informed Licensee that in the event the Board issues a final order by default, the Board designates its file on this matter for purposes of proving a *prima facie* case.

NOW, THEREFORE, after consideration of the relevant records and files of the Board relating to this matter, the Board enters the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Final Order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Board finds that:

1.

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

2.

At all times material herein, Alice J. Rothschild, LCSW (hereafter "Licensee") has been licensed with the Board as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW). Licensee's LCSW license has been on inactive status with the Board from September 13, 2005, to present. Licensee's address of record is 2145 Essex Lane, Eugene OR 97403.

3.

The Board is conducting an investigation of Licensee under the Board's Impaired Professional Program of OAR Chapter 877 Division 35. The Board has concerns about Licensee's fitness and ability to safely and competently practice clinical social work based on information obtained by the Board as part of the investigation.

4.

On August 18, 2005, the Board requested in writing that Licensee enter a Level II outpatient drug and alcohol program recognized by the Board no later than September 1, 2005. The Board provided Licensee with a list of three such programs in her geographic area that are recognized and acceptable to the Board. The Board made this request based on the

recommendations in an alcohol and drug evaluation report dated July 22, 2005. Licensee did not enter a Level II outpatient drug and alcohol program recognized by the Board by September 1, 2005, as requested.

5.

On September 26, 2005, the Board requested in writing a second time that Licensee enter a Level II outpatient drug and alcohol program or, alternatively, an inpatient drug and alcohol treatment program, recognized by the Board by October 7, 2005. Licensee did not enter such a program by October 7, 2005, and failed to even respond to the Board until October 11, 2005, when Licensee notified the Board's Administrator verbally that Licensee was looking into one of the Level II outpatient drug and alcohol programs on the list of approved programs provided by the Board.

6.

The Board did not thereafter receive notification that Licensee had entered the identified Level II outpatient drug and alcohol program and on October 28, 2005, requested in writing a third time that Licensee enter such a program by November 7, 2005. Licensee failed to comply with the Board's request and enter such a program by November 7, 2005.

7.

On November 21, 2005, the Board demanded in writing for a fourth time that Licensee enter a Level II outpatient drug and alcohol program recognized by the Board by December 5, 2005, and provide the Board with certain details and information about the program immediately after entry into the program. Licensee failed to comply with the Board's request and enter such a program by December 5, 2005.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the above findings of fact, Licensee has:

- (a) Refused to enter a rehabilitation program recognized by the Board under the Impaired Professional Program, in violation of OAR 877-035-0015(2)(b);
- (b) Failed to complete a rehabilitation program recognized by the Board under the Impaired Professional Program, in violation of OAR 877-035-0015(2)(d); and
- (c) Failed to cooperate with the Board’s Impaired Professional Committee in its investigation of Licensee, in violation of 877-030-0090(2)

FINAL ORDER

Based on the foregoing, it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

- (1) The Licensed Clinical Social Worker license of Alice J. Rothschild is **REVOKED** effective immediately, pursuant to ORS 675.540(1)(e), 675.540(2)(a), and 675.595(3); and
- (2) The Board’s costs of this disciplinary process in the sum of \$699.30 to date are **ASSESSED** against Alice J. Rothschild, pursuant to ORS 675.595(17).

ISSUED this 17th day of April, 2006.

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

By. Signature on File in Board Office
Jon F. Langenwalter / Administrator

NOTICE: You are entitled to judicial review of this Order. Judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition for review within 60 days from the service of this Order. Judicial review is to the Oregon Court of Appeals pursuant to the provisions of ORS 183.482.

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