

BEFORE THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY LICENSING BOARD
OF THE STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of:

DENYING LICENSE RENEWAL
OF CRAIG W. SCHREITER, OTR
License No. OT 229427

FINAL ORDER
CASE # 05-06

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The Occupational Therapy Licensing Board of the State of Oregon is the agency responsible for establishing licensing standards for occupational therapy, granting licenses for the practice of occupational therapy, investigating violations of the rules and statutes governing occupational therapy, and enforcing any violation and taking disciplinary action against licensees.

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On March 4, 2006, Craig W. Schreiter (Applicant) applied to the Board for renewal of his Occupational Therapist license. The Board sent him notice of Denial of License Renewal in accordance with ORS 675.300(1). On May 22, 2006, the Board issued a Notice of Intent to deny renewal of his license application. The Notice advised Applicant of his right to a contested case hearing, and the time within which to request a hearing. The Notice of Intent Applicant received the Notice of Intent, but did not request a contested case hearing within the timelines prescribed. Now therefore, the Board makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On March 4, 2006, Craig W. Schreiter applied for renewal of his Occupational Therapist license. As part of the license renewal application, he was asked in Question #5 to answer the following: "Have you been the subject of any disciplinary investigation or action in another state agency since your last Oregon OT license was issued?"

1 2. In response to Question #5, Applicant answered "No" on the license renewal application
2 form.

3 3. On December 13, 2005, Craig W. Schreiter signed a stipulated order with the Board of
4 Clinical Social Workers of the State of Oregon that resulted in the voluntary surrender of
5 his Clinical Social Worker license.

6 4. The stipulated order Mr. Schreiter signed with the Board of Clinical Social Workers was
7 the result of BCSW's proposed license revocation. The BCSW proposed to revoke Mr.
8 Schreiter's license for engaging in a social and sexual relationship with a client within
9 three weeks of providing professional services to the individual.

10 5. The disciplinary action imposed by the BCSW was based on conduct that is also
11 actionable by this Board. Specifically, the Board prohibits licensees from engaging in
12 sexual conduct with patients/clients, including former patients/clients.

13 CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

14 1. Applicant is in default

15 2. The disciplinary action entered against applicant by the BCSW constitutes proper
16 grounds for refusing to renew Licensee's license under ORS 675.300(1)(c); OAR 339-
17 010-0020(1)(e) and OAR 339-010-0020(5)(e).

18 REASONING

19 Applicant's disciplinary action before the BCSW establishes more than adequate grounds
20 for denying Applicant's license. The Board has also proposed to deny Applicant's license
21 renewal for failure to truthfully answer question #5 on the license renewal application. After the
22 Board proposed to deny the license application, Applicant submitted an explanation to his
23 response on question #5. In essence, Applicant indicated that he believed question #5 merely
24 asked whether his *occupational therapy* license had been subject to disciplinary action. The
25 question is not so limited. Although Applicant now acknowledges that his response to question
26 #5 was in error, he indicated it was not his intent at the time to deceive the Board or cover up the

1 discipline on his *Clinical Social Worker* license. The Board does not find Applicant's
2 explanation persuasive, but is not making a specific finding on the violations alleged in
3 paragraphs 3.1 to 3.3 of the Notice of Intent. In the event any judicial review of this order results
4 in a remand back to the Board, however, the Board finds that it would have sufficient grounds to
5 deny renewal of Applicant's license based on the allegations contained in paragraphs 3.1 to 3.3.

6 ORDER

7 Based on the preceding Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Board hereby
8 orders as follows:

- 9 1. Applicant's license renewal application is hereby denied.
10 2. Applicant is eligible to reapply for a license following two years from the date of entry of
11 this Final Order.

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15 It is so ordered this 22nd day of August, 2006.

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17 **Signature on File**

18 FENCLIA ROIGAIT, DIRECTOR
Occupational Therapy Licensing Board
for the State of Oregon

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20 NOTICE: You are entitled to judicial review of this Final Order pursuant to the provisions of ORS 183.480.
21 Judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition in the Oregon Court of Appeals. The petition must be filed
22 within 60 days from the date of service of this Final Order.
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