BEFORE THE

BOARD OF LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS

STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of the conduct of John Crippen, M.Div., M.A., Respondent.	))))))	AGENCY NO: OBLPCT #2007-014 STIPULATED AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER (REPRIMAND)

1.

The Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists (Board) is the state agency responsible for licensing and disciplining counselors and therapists, registered interns thereof, and for regulating the practice of professional counseling and marriage and family therapy in the State of Oregon.

2.

At all times material herein John Crippen (Respondent) was registered as a marriage and family therapist intern and subject to the jurisdiction of the Board, pursuant to ORS 675.705 to 675.990 and OAR Chapter 833.

3.

During the course of counseling client T.A. in November and December of 2006, Respondent allowed his religious perspectives and views to affect the counseling relationship even though the client had previously expressed that she was not comfortable with a religious approach to her issues. By this conduct Respondent failed to respect the rights of his client in violation of OAR 833-060-0001(1) (2006).

4.

Respondent and the Board desire to settle this matter by entry of this Stipulated Order, pursuant to ORS 183.417(3), subject to and conditioned upon approval by the full Board. Respondent acknowledges, understands, and agrees that:

4.1 This Stipulated Final Order may be issued and entered.

4.2 This Stipulated Final Order is conditioned upon and subject to approval by the full Board.

4.3 This Stipulated Final Order is a public document.

4.4 Respondent has been fully advised of his rights to notice and a contested case hearing under the Oregon Administrative Procedures Act (Chapter 183), Oregon Revised Statutes, and fully and finally waives any and all such rights to a contested case hearing and to appeal or otherwise challenge this Stipulated Final Order.

4.5 Respondent acknowledges by his signature below that he has fully read and understands this Stipulated Final Order. Respondent further declares that he has carefully read and reviewed the terms of this Stipulated Final Order and consents to the issuance and entry thereof, that he knows the contents thereof, that he has had adequate opportunity to consult with counsel regarding the terms and contents thereof, and that he has fully and voluntarily agreed to and accepted the terms thereof.

4.6 Entry of this Stipulated Final Order in no way limits or prevents further remedies, sanctions, or actions which may be available to the Board to enforce this Stipulated Final Order, for violations of this Stipulated Final Order, or for conduct or actions of Respondent not covered by this Stipulated Final Order or that are against a party not covered by this Stipulated Final Order.

5.

Pursuant to ORS 675.745(2) and OAR 833-050-0040, the Board hereby reprimands John Crippen (Respondent) for the above violation of OAR 833-060-0001(1). In addition to said reprimand and pursuant to OAR 833-050-0025(2), Respondent shall revise his personal data statement for approval by the Board to make clear to potential clients that he comes from an active Christian background. Respondent must submit the revised personal data statement to the Board for approval by September 30, 2008. Respondent must make

changes to his personal data statement requested by the Board for approval and submit to the Board a revised personal data statement showing those changes have been made within twenty (20) days of notification thereof.

IT IS SO STIPULATED AND AGREED TO this 1 day of Aug 08, 2008.

JOHN CRIPPEN, M.Div., M.A.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 4th day of August, 2008.

BOARD OF LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS
State of Oregon

By: Becky Eklund
Becky Eklund, Administrator