

1 **BEFORE THE BOARD OF LICENSED**
2 **PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS**
3 **STATE OF OREGON**

4 In the Matter of:

Agency Case No. 2011-047

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6 **OBLIO Z. STROYMAN, LMFT,**

7 Respondent.

**FINAL ORDER BY DEFAULT IMPOSING
DISCIPLINE**

8 On July 25, 2012, the Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists (Board)
9 issued a Notice of Intent to Impose Discipline and Right to Request Hearing (Notice) stating that
10 the Board intended to impose discipline on Oblio Z. Stroyman (Respondent) for misconduct.

11 The Notice was served on Respondent by regular and certified U.S. Mail addressed to
12 Respondent at Respondent's last known address – 2149 Centennial Plaza, Eugene, Oregon
13 97409. The Notice informed Respondent of the opportunity for a hearing if requested in writing
14 and received within twenty-one (21) days of service of the Notice. The Notice further informed
15 Respondent that if a written request for hearing was not received within this 21-day period,
16 Respondent's right to a hearing shall be considered waived. The Board did not receive a written
17 request for a hearing from Respondent within the allotted time and has to date not received any
18 request for a hearing. Respondent is therefore in default.

19 The Notice also informed Respondent that if she failed to request a hearing, "the Board
20 may issue a Final Order by Default and impose the proposed discipline." The Notice further
21 informed Respondent that in the event the Board issues a Final Order by Default, the Board
22 designates its file on this matter for purposes of proving a *prima facie* case.

23 **NOW, THEREFORE,** after consideration of the records and files of the Board relating

1 to this matter, including all correspondences and other material received from Respondent, if
2 any, the Board enters the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Opinion and Order.

3 **FINDINGS OF FACT**

4 1. The Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists (Board) is the
5 state agency responsible for licensing, regulating, and disciplining licensed professional
6 counselors, licensed marriage and family therapists, and registered interns. ORS 675.705
7 to 675.835; OAR 833-001-0000 to 833-130-0080.

8 2. Oblio Z. Stroyman (Respondent) is licensed as a Marriage and Family Therapist.
9 The Board has jurisdiction over Respondent under ORS 675.705 to 675.835. The last
10 address provided by Respondent to the Board is 2149 Centennial Plaza, Eugene, Oregon
11 97409.

12 3. In October 2008 while providing services to a client (Client 1), Client 1 sent
13 Respondent an email. Respondent shared this client email with her partner without
14 receiving informed consent to do so.

15 4. Respondent provided counseling services to a different client (Client 2) who
16 played the Ukulele and made them for a living. Part of the counseling services
17 Respondent provided to Client 2 involved music therapy. Because Respondent did not
18 own a Ukulele, Client 2 loaned one to Respondent for their music therapy sessions.

19 5. Respondent told her clinical supervisor, who instructed Respondent that she could
20 use the Ukulele as long as it stayed in the office, Respondent did not take it home with
21 her on that day, and it was returned to Client 2 when therapy concluded. Despite these
22 instructions, Respondent took the Ukulele home on several other occasions, where her
23 ex-partner saw the instrument.

1 6. In October 2008, while still providing counseling services to Client 2, Respondent
2 began attending a Ukulele Club (Club) in Eugene, of which Client 2 was a member.
3 Respondent's partner also attended the same Club.

4 7. While at a Club meeting, Client 2 disclosed to both the Club leader and
5 Respondent's partner that Respondent is his counselor. Respondent's partner also
6 provided contact information to Client 2 in case they decided to purchase a Ukulele from
7 him.

8 8. At one point during their counseling sessions, Client 2 shared that he was making
9 a Ukulele for Respondent, which Respondent declined. In February 2009, Client 2 again
10 shared with Respondent that he wished to give her the Ukulele he had made for her,
11 which she again declined. In April 2009, Client 2 ceased counseling sessions with
12 Respondent.

13 9. In June 2009, Respondent's partner purchased two Ukuleles from Client 2; one
14 for himself and the one Client 2 made for Respondent.

15 10. In July 2009, Respondent's partner purchased another Ukulele from Client 2.

16 11. Respondent and her partner continued to attend the Club. During a Club meeting
17 in September 2009, one of the Ukuleles purchased from Client 2 had a problem and
18 Client 2 offered to fix it, which he did.

19 12. Respondent hired Client 2 and took 8-10 Ukulele lessons from him from
20 September 2009 to November 2009. Most of the lessons were also attended by her
21 partner.

22 13. The Notice was served on Respondent on July 25, 2012 by certified and regular
23 mail.

1 appears innocuous, professional counselors must constantly be vigilant to avoid situations that could
2 impair their judgment or increase the risk of exploitation.

3 As such, the Board concludes that a written reprimand is the appropriate sanction for
4 Respondent's actions.

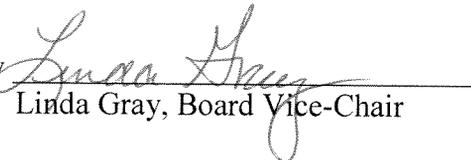
5 **FINAL ORDER**

6 **NOW THEREFORE**, the Board hereby **ORDERS** that:

- 7 1. Respondent Oblio Z. Stroyman shall receive a written reprimand pursuant to ORS
8 675.745(2)(a); and
9 2. Respondent is **ASSESSED** the Board's costs associated with this action, including the
10 Board's attorney fees, in the amount of **\$543.40** pursuant to ORS 675.745(7).

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12 DATED: October 12, 2012

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14 Oregon Board of Licensed Professional
Counselors and Therapists

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16 By 
Linda Gray, Board Vice-Chair

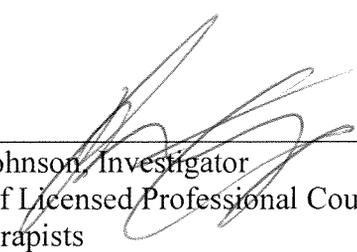
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18 **NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL**

19 You are entitled to judicial review of this Final Order by Default Denying License
20 Application in accordance with ORS 183.482. You may request judicial review by filing a
21 petition with the Oregon Court of Appeals in Salem, Oregon, within sixty (60) days from the
22 date of service of this Final Order
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1 **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

2 I hereby certify that on the 19th day of October, 2012, I served the foregoing **Final**
3 **Order by Default Imposing Discipline** by depositing a true copy of the same in a sealed
4 envelope sent by regular mail, addressed as follows:

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6 Oblio Z. Stroyman
7 2149 Centennial Plaza
8 Eugene, OR 97409

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11 Brian Johnson, Investigator
12 Board of Licensed Professional Counselors
13 and Therapists

14 cc: Kelly M. Gabliks, DOJ
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