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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF LICENSED  
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS  
FOR THE STATE OF OREGON**

In the Matter of	)	
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<b>MARTHA L. WHITE, MA</b>	)	<b>AMENDED STIPULATION AND</b>
	)	<b>FINAL ORDER</b>
<b>License No. c 1578</b>	)	
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	)	<b>Case No. 2002-018</b>

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**I**

The Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists (Board) is the state agency responsible for licensing, regulating and disciplining Licensed Professional Counselors and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists in the State of Oregon. The Board has jurisdiction over the license of Martha L. White, LPC (Licensee).

**II**

1. At all relevant times, the Licensee was a Registered intern (R0095) with the Board at the time of the alleged violation of the Board's statutes and rules. On October 23, 2003, the Board issued Ms. White license #C1578.
2. Licensee was a supervisor of complainants, who were counseling and therapist student interns at George Fox University through the Salem Christian Counseling Center. Licensee was also a private contractor for Polk County Mental Health and operated a private counseling office in Dallas, Oregon.
3. Complainants stated that Licensee was meeting with supervisees in public places to discuss client records; assigned supervisees several clients who were not appropriate for a beginning clinician; asked a supervisee's spouse to perform personal services at her home for her; allowed students to share a filing cabinet for client records when each respective supervisee knew each other's clients personally; licensee conducted supervisory discussions in front of another student who knew personally the clients being discussed and licensee asked a student to have a client write a check payable to her instead of the agency.

### III

4. On October 30, 2003, the Board issued a Notice of Discipline on the following grounds of discipline under ORS 675.475:
5. Licensee violated ORS 675.745(1)(c) and was grossly negligent in her role as a supervisor by ignoring boundaries and entering into dual relationships with the interns and exploiting the trust of the supervisees.
6. Licensee violated OAR 833-060-0001(1)(c) by assigning her supervisees clients whose issues were beyond the supervisees counseling capabilities.
7. Licensee violated OAR 833-060-0001(2)(a) (B) and (e) by entering into dual relationships with the interns under her supervision and exploiting the trust of the supervisees for financial gain and/or personal gratification of the licensee.
8. Licensee violated OAR 833-060-0001(3)(a) and (b) by breaching confidential information regarding the supervisee's clients to another supervisee and encouraging supervisee with personal knowledge of a client to divulge that knowledge to another supervisee who was working with that client. In addition, Licensee during her supervision of interns and while discussing each intern's case, did so in the presence of others and encouraged personal knowledge of a client to be discussed between intern therapists.
9. Licensee violated OAR 833-060-0001(3)(c) by not being responsible for awareness of the regulations concerning confidentiality and for not informing supervisees and/or clients of the limits of confidentiality.
10. Licensee violated OAR 833-060-0001(3)(e) by not limiting access to client records to only the licensee or intern with whom the client had a professional relationship, individual associated with the agency or facility whose duties require access or an individual authorized by have access by the informed, written consent of the client.
11. Licensee violated OAR 833-060-0001(3)(i) by not disguising adequately the identity of a client when using material derived from a counseling relationship for purposes of training, research, professional meetings or publications.

IV.

Licensee has agreed to accept the proposed discipline in the Notice of Proposed Discipline and Civil Penalty issued on October 30, 2003. Licensee agrees to the following order being entered as proposed in the notice:

Licensee recognizes that the Board has legitimate concerns. Licensee neither admits or denies any of the allegations in paragraphs II and III but agrees to entering this order. Licensee is aware that if the matter proceeded to discipline, she is entitled to a contested case pursuant to ORS 183.310-550 and agrees that by entering this agreement, she foregoes any contested case rights, or rights on appeal. Pursuant to ORS 184.415 which provides for informal resolution by agreement, the parties agree to the following:

1. Licensee will be reprimanded for this matter.
2. Licensee will pay a civil penalty of \$4000 to be made payable with a \$500 down payment payable within thirty days of final signature of this order and consecutive monthly payments in the sum of \$100 until the sum is paid in full.

IN SIGNING THIS STIPULATED AGREEMENT, LICENSEE ACKNOWLEDGES:

I understand that in the event I engage in future conduct resulting in violations of law, or terms of licensure, the Board may take further disciplinary action against my license, up to and including revocation of my license.

I understand that the Board considers the conduct resulting in the alleged violations of law described in this stipulation to be of a grave nature and if continued, constitutes a serious danger to public health and safety.

I understand that by entering into the stipulated agreement, I waive the right to an administrative hearing.

No promises, representation, duress, or coercion have been used to induce me to sign this stipulation.

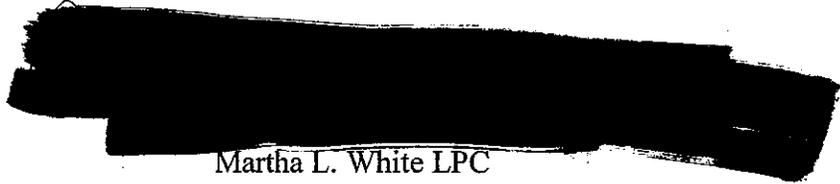
I have read this stipulation and understand it completely.

I understand that this stipulation will be submitted to the Board for approval and is subject to the Board's confirmation.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

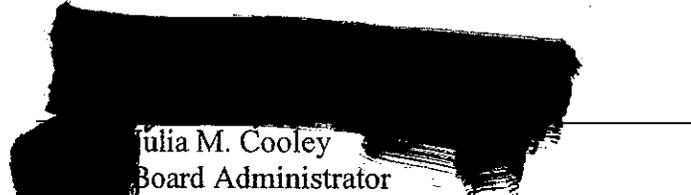
1. Licensee is reprimanded and the reprimand will be recorded as discipline and will be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank – Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank. (NPDP-HIPDB)
2. Licensee shall pay a civil penalty in the sum of \$4000 to be made payable in a \$500 down payment within thirty days of signature of this order and \$100 consecutive monthly payments thereafter until the sum is paid in total.

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Date

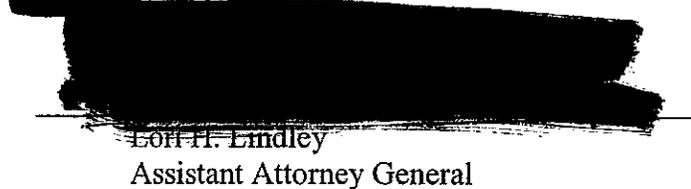
  
Martha L. White LPC

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7.12.04  
Date

  
Julia M. Cooley  
Board Administrator

7/13/04  
Date

  
Elliott H. Lindley  
Assistant Attorney General

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2004