

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

In the matter of the application)
for licensure of)
)
) **PROPOSED AND FINAL ORDER**
) **REFUSAL TO ISSUE, NOTICE,**
) **AND WAIVER OF FORM OF ORDER**

Nancy M. Ronan
1789 Orchard
Eugene, OR 97403

Proposed Order

Pursuant to ORS 675.715 to 675.835 and OAR 833-001-0001 to 833-060-0001, the State Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists proposes to reject the application of Nancy M. Ronan (Applicant) to obtain a license as a professional counselor and to close the application file on the facts set forth herein and incorporated by reference. This action is being proposed because the Applicant failed to document meeting the education and experience standards for licensure within the time period allowed for application.

Right to a Hearing

The Applicant, Nancy M. Ronan, has the right to a hearing under the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act, ORS Chapter 183. Unless a hearing is requested in writing addressed to the Administrator, Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists, 3218 Pringle Road SE #160, Salem, Oregon 97302-6312 and is received on or before the close of business within 60 days from service by certified mail, or approximately July 3, 1998, the Board will adopt this order as its final order without further action. If a hearing is requested, you may be represented by counsel at the hearing. Attached is information on the procedures, right of representation, and the rights of parties relating to conduct of the hearing as required under ORS 183.413(2).

Waiver

If you request a hearing but fail to appear at the scheduled hearing, the Board may issue a final order by default denying you a license. By failing to request a hearing or appear at a hearing, Applicant waives any statutory requirements as to the form of the order including Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law under the provisions of ORS 183.470.

Facts and Statements in Support of Order

1. Application for licensure signed by Applicant was received approximately January 24, 1996.
2. Applicant was allowed two years to complete the application, until January 24, 1998, by OAR 833-020-0020. Applicant requested no extensions. Two years have passed. To become licensed, Applicant must re-apply.

3. ORS 675.715(2) requires applicant to hold graduate degree in counseling from a CACREP (Counsel for Accreditation and Counseling and Related Education Programs) accredited program; a degree from a program determined to meet comparable standards adopted by the Board; or a degree from a program determined to meet a majority of the standards adopted by the Board and the applicant documents completion of all the coursework required by the adopted standards, OAR 833-025-0001 through OAR 833-025-0006.

A. Applicant holds a master of arts degree in psychology from California State University (CSU), Sacramento granted August 25, 1989. CSU at Sacramento held national accreditations in rehabilitation counselor education and school counselor education, but did not hold a counselor education accreditation for its master's level psychology degree program.

B. Applicant did not submit degree information for evaluation of degree program against adopted standards.

4. ORS 675.715(3) as defined by OAR 833-020-0050 and 833-020-0080, requires the applicant to document three years of full-time supervised work experience, no less than 2,400 client contact hours of counseling experience meeting standards for supervision. Applicant documented a total of 940 supervised work experience hours. The 140 post degree hours submitted for review did not indicate compliance with the supervision standards: supervisor Carolyn Litty attests to only group supervision and no individual supervision.

5. The Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists' application file and the documents therein relating to education and work experience are incorporated by reference in support of this order in the form the file existed on February 20, 1998.

Dated: May 5, 1998

State Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists



Carol F. Fleming, Administrator

Attachment: Contested Case Rights and Procedures

Service by Certified Mail

I certify that on May 5, 1998, I served the attached Proposed and Final Order of Refusal to Issue, Notice, and Waiver of Form of Order by mailing certified (P 035 083 476) in a sealed envelope, with postage prepaid, a copy thereof address as follows:

Nancy M. Ronan
1789 Orchard
Eugene, OR 97403


Signature
Title

FINAL ORDER

No request for hearing having been received in the time prescribed herein, this order is affirmed as final and shall be served by mail.

Dated: 8/31/98

State Board of Licensed Professional
Counselors and Therapists



Carol F. Fleming, Administrator

Appeal Rights

Nancy M Ronan is entitled to judicial review of this final order. Judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition for review within 60 days from the service of this order after it becomes final, which will be accomplished by mailing. The appeal procedures for this order are set forth in ORS 183.

Certificate of Service by Regular Mail

I certify that on 8/31/98, I served the attached Proposed and Final Order Refusal to Issue by mailing in a sealed envelope, with first class postage prepaid, a copy thereof address as follows:

Nancy M. Ronan
1789 Orchard
Eugene, OR 97403



Signature

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