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ADJUDICATION ORDER in the Matter of:

Keith H. Roberts
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Poland, OH 44514

IN THE MATTER OF KEITH ROBERTS TO PRACTICE AS A LICENSED
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR IN THE STATE OF OHIO.

THE MATTER OF KEITH ROBERTS CAME BEFORE THE FOLLOWING
MEMBERS OF THE COUNSELOR PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE
OF THE OHIO COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER, AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY
THERAPIST BOARD ON JANUARY 19, 2007: RANDI COHEN, VICTORIA WHITE
KRESS, SUSAN NORRIS HUSS, FRED DAILEY, AND JAN WHITE.

FINDINGS, ORDER, AND JOURNAL ENTRY

This matter came for consideration after a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing was issued to Keith Roberts by the Counselor Professional Standards Committee on July 22, 2006.

Pursuant to R.C. 119.07 licensees are entitled to a hearing before the Board if such a hearing is requested within thirty days of the mailing or publishing of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing. In this case, Keith Roberts failed to make a timely request for such a hearing, therefore pursuant to *Goldman v. State Medical Board* (March 29, 1996) Franklin County Court of Appeals, 95 APE 10-1358 the case was presented to the Counselor Professional Standards Committee on January 19, 2007.

Summary of Evidence

State's Exhibits

1. Affidavit prepared by William L. Hegarty, Deputy Director, State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board.
2. Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to Keith Roberts dated July 22, 2006 (State Exhibit A).
3. Affidavit from The Vindicator Printing Company showing dates of publication. (State Exhibit B).
4. Letter to Mr. Roberts from Turning Point Counseling Services, dated February 13, 2006. (State Exhibit C).
5. Copy of article from The Vindicator dated May 30, 2006, with regard to Mr. Roberts. (State Exhibit D).
6. Letter dated March 9, 2006, from Mr. Roberts to the Board. (State Exhibit E).
7. Psychological Evaluation of Keith Roberts dated December 9, 2004. (State Exhibit F).
8. Copy of Computer Printout (redacted) showing Mr. Roberts has been licensed as a professional counselor since July 19, 2002. (State Exhibit G).

Conclusions of Law

Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(A)(1) provides that the Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board may take disciplinary action against a licensee who has committed a violation of any provision of the Board's law and rules.

Discussion and Findings

As required in the case of *Goldman v. State Medical Board* (March 29, 1996) Franklin County Court of Appeals 95APE10-1358, all cases where a Board issues a Notice for Opportunity for Hearing and the individual does not request a hearing, the Board still must review evidence presented to it and make specific findings of fact. In this case, Mr. Roberts did not request a hearing after the Notice for Opportunity for Hearing was published in The Vindicator.

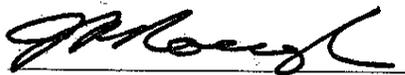
The Counselor Professional Standards Committee has reviewed the evidence prepared in this case. The Committee finds that Mr. Roberts is impaired and unable to practice to the standards expected of a licensed professional counselor. Based on this, the Committee orders that Mr. Roberts's license to practice counseling (C-0007565) be **REVOKED**. As Ordered by the Social Worker Professional Standards Committee of the Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board. Susan Huss abstained from the voting.

It is hereby certified by this Board that the above language is incorporated into the Board's journal in this matter.

APPEAL RIGHTS

Pursuant to Section 119.12 of the Ohio Revised code, you have the right to appeal this Order. The appeal must be commenced by filing your original Notice of Appeal with the Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board, 50 West Broad Street, Suite 1075, Columbus, Ohio 43215. A copy of the appeal must be filed with the Court of Common Pleas in the county in which the place of your business is located or the county in which you reside. If you are not a resident of Ohio and/or have no place of business within the State, a copy of your appeal may be filed with the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas. Appeal filings must be received within fifteen (15) days of the mailing of this Adjudication Order. The Notice of Appeal must set forth the Order appealed, the grounds for appeal and must be in accordance with the requirements outlined in section 119.12 of the Ohio Revised Code.

By Order of the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board.



James Rough
Executive Director

1/19/07
Date

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