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ADJUDICATION ORDER in the Matter of:

Loretta Phillips W094194
Ohio Reformatory for Women
1479 Collins Avenue
Marysville, OH 43040

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ELIGIBILITY OF LORETTA PHILLIPS TO MAINTAIN
LICENSURE AS A LICENSED PROFESSIONAL CLINICAL COUNSELOR IN THE
STATE OF OHIO.**

**THE MATTER OF LORETTA PHILLIPS CAME BEFORE THE COUNSELOR
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE OF THE OHIO COUNSELOR,
SOCIAL WORKER, AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD ON
SEPTEMBER 22, 2016.**

This matter came for consideration after a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing was issued to Loretta Phillips by the Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board on February 1, 2016. An administrative hearing was held on June 9, 2016, in the offices of the Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board, 77 S. High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215, pursuant to Chapter 119 and Section 4757 of the Ohio Revised Code. The State was represented by Assistant Attorney General Melissa L. Wilburn. Ms. Phillips was not present and not represented by legal counsel.

State's Exhibits

- A. Notice of Opportunity for Hearing dated February 1, 2016, to Loretta Phillips
- B. Letter dated February 18, 2016, to the Board from Ms. Phillips' legal counsel requesting a hearing.

C. Letter dated February 19, 2016, from the Board to Ms. Phillips' legal counsel scheduling an administrative hearing and then continuing this hearing.

D. Letter dated April 4, 2016, from the Board to Ms. Phillips' legal counsel scheduling an administrative hearing for June 9, 2016.

E. Board Credential View Screen regarding Ms. Phillips

F. Court documents from the Mahoning County Court of Common Pleas regarding Ms. Phillips.

G. Medicaid Compliance Report prepared by the Auditor of State

FINDINGS, ORDER, AND JOURNAL ENTRY

The Counselor Professional Standards Committee has reviewed the Report and Recommendations provided by the Hearing Officer in the case of Loretta Phillips. The Committee accepts the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as written in the Report and Recommendations. The Committee finds that Ms. Phillips violated Ohio Revised Code Sections 4757.36(C)(5) in that she was convicted of three third-degree felonies in the Mahoning County Court of Common Pleas.

Based on the severity of the facts of this case, the Committee accepts the recommendations of the Hearing Officer and orders that the professional clinical counselor license (E.0004157) of Loretta Phillips is **Revoked**.

This ORDER was approved by unanimous vote of the Members of the Committee who reviewed this case.

Motion carried by order of the Counselor Professional Standards Committee of the Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board.

APPEAL RIGHTS

Ohio Revised Code Section 119.12 may authorize an appeal from this Order. Such an appeal must be commenced by the filing of a Notice of Appeal with the Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board and in the court of common pleas of the county in which the licensee is a resident. If the party appealing from the order is not a resident of any County, the party may appeal to the court of common pleas of Franklin County. The Notice of Appeal must set forth the order appealed from and state that the agency's order is not supported by reliable, probative, and substantial evidence and is not in accordance with the law. The Notice of Appeal may, but need not, set forth the specific grounds of the party's appeal beyond the statement that the agency's

order is not supported by reliable, probative, and substantial evidence and is not in accordance with law. Both Notices of Appeal must be received at the office of the Board and filed with the applicable court within fifteen (15) days after mailing of this notice of the agency's order, and in accordance with the provisions of Ohio Revised Code Chapter 119.12.

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



Brian P. Carnahan, Executive Director

September 22, 2016
Date

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