

Cynthia Daugherty has completed the terms of her consent agreement as of 11/21/2016

**CONSENT AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
CYNTHIA L. DAUGHERTY  
AND THE**

**STATE OF OHIO COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER AND MARRIAGE AND  
FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD**

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into by and between CYNTHIA L. DAUGHERTY, hereinafter, "DAUGHERTY," and the STATE OF OHIO COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD, hereinafter "BOARD," the state agency charged with enforcing Chapter 4757 of the Ohio Revised Code and all rules promulgated therein.

DAUGHERTY hereby acknowledges that she has read and understands this CONSENT AGREEMENT and has voluntarily entered into it without threat or promise by the BOARD or any of its members, employees or agents.

DAUGHERTY is fully aware of her rights, including her right to be advised by counsel and her right to a hearing pursuant to Chapter 119 of the Ohio Revised Code on the issues which are the subject of this CONSENT AGREEMENT.

This CONSENT AGREEMENT contains the entire agreement between the parties, there being no other agreement of any kind, verbal or otherwise, which varies the terms of this CONSENT AGREEMENT.

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into on the basis of the following stipulation, admission and understanding:

1. DAUGHERTY is a licensed professional clinical counselor (E.0004176) with the supervisory designation licensed in the State of Ohio, and is subject to the laws and rules of Ohio regulating the practice of counseling as outlined in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 4757 and Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 4757. DAUGHERTY received her clinical counselor license March 19, 2004.
2. DAUGHERTY, while employed at a mental health agency in Canton, OH, on or about June 1, 2015, acted outside of her role as the treating therapist by making recommendations regarding visitation in a report to the court. This inappropriate conduct constitutes a violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(C) (1) and Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4757-6-01(F) (1) & (2).
3. DAUGHERTY, while employed at a mental health agency in Canton, OH, allowed a third party to join a counseling session without the written authorization of the parent or guardian of the client describing the purpose and need for the third party to join the session and describing the circumstances and extent to which confidential information may be disclosed to the third party. This inappropriate

conduct constitutes a violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(C) (1) and Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4757-5-02 (B) (7).

4. **DAUGHERTY ADMITS** the allegations referenced in paragraph 2 and 3 above.

Wherefore, in consideration of the foregoing and mutual promises hereinafter set forth, and in lieu of any other formal disciplinary proceedings, **DAUGHERTY** knowingly and voluntarily agrees with the **BOARD** to the following terms and conditions:

1. **DAUGHERTY'S** license to practice professional clinical counseling is hereby **REPRIMANDED**.
2. **DAUGHERTY** is required to complete ten (10) additional hours of continuing education in ethics and child custody at her expense. The additional hours must be pre-approved by the **BOARD**. **DAUGHERTY** must contact the **BOARD'S** investigative unit to seek pre-approval. The additional hours must be completed by November 21, 2016. These ten (10) additional hours may not be used for the renewal of her clinical counselor license or her supervisory designation.

It is hereby agreed by and between both parties that this **CONSENT AGREEMENT** hereby settles all issues concerning this matter.

By her signature on this **CONSENT AGREEMENT**, **DAUGHERTY** acknowledges that in the event the **BOARD**, in its discretion, does not approve this **CONSENT AGREEMENT**, this settlement offer is withdrawn and shall be of no evidentiary value and shall not be relied upon or introduced in any disciplinary action or appeal by either party. **DAUGHERTY** agrees that should the **BOARD** reject this **CONSENT AGREEMENT** and if this case proceeds to hearing, she will assert no claim that the **BOARD** was prejudiced by its review and discussion of this **CONSENT AGREEMENT** or of any information relating thereto. Should the licensee fail to comply with any provisions of this consent agreement, the Board in its discretion, may initiate further disciplinary action pursuant to OAC 4757-11-01C (21).

**DAUGHERTY** hereby releases the members of the **BOARD**, its officers and employees, jointly and severally, from any and all liability arising from the matter within.

This **CONSENT AGREEMENT** shall be considered a public record as that term is used in Section 149.43 of the Ohio Revised Code. All parties to this Consent Agreement understand that this information will be sent to the United States Department of Health and Human Services' National Practitioner Data Bank 9NPDB0, pursuant to Title IV of Public Law 99-660, the Healthcare Quality Improvement Act of 1986, as amended; Section 1921 of the Social Security Act; and Section 1128E of the Social Security Act, as amended by Section 221(a) of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996. Pursuant to 42 USC Section 132a-73(b), 5 USC Section 552a, 45 CFR part 61 and Ohio Revised Code Section 2301.373(E), the **BOARD** may be required to provide **DAUGHERTY'S** social security number to requesting governmental agencies.

The **BOARD** shall incorporate this CONSENT AGREEMENT into a formal journal entry at its May 20, 2016 meeting.

This CONSENT AGREEMENT shall take effect upon the date of the last signature below:

THE OHIO COUNSELOR,  
SOCIAL WORKER AND MARRIAGE AND  
FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD

Cynthia L. Daugherty, LPC  
CYNTHIA L. DAUGHERTY, LPC

Margaret A. Knerr, MS, IMFT-S  
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Chair, Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist Board

4-21-2016  
Date

5-20-2016  
Date

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