

**CONSENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
CHRISTINE M. KILLA
AND THE
STATE OF OHIO COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER, MARRIAGE AND
FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD**

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This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into by and between CHRISTINE M. KILLA, hereinafter, "KILLA," and the STATE OF OHIO COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER, 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.

KILLA 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.

KILLA 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, based on the Board's investigation, 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 stipulations, admissions and understandings:

1. KILLA is a professional clinical counselor (E.0008119) licensed to practice counseling 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. KILLA received her professional clinical counselor license on May 31, 2013.
2. On or about July 8, 2014, KILLA'S license to practice as a licensed professional counselor in Pennsylvania was voluntarily surrendered due to KILLA engaging in sexual and non-sexual boundary violations with a client. KILLA voluntarily surrendering her license in Pennsylvania for offenses that are a violation of Ohio's law and rules regarding competent counseling practice is actionable under Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36C(11).
3. KILLA admits the statements referenced in paragraph 2 above.

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

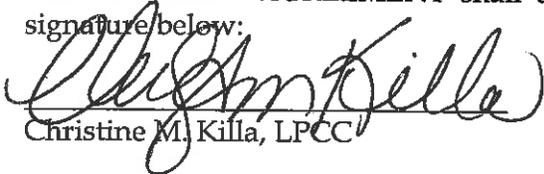
The **BOARD** will allow **KILLA** to surrender her professional clinical counselor license (E.0008119) in lieu of other potential disciplinary action. This surrender is permanent and precludes **KILLA** from applying for a social work, counselor, or marriage and family therapist license in the State of Ohio in the future.

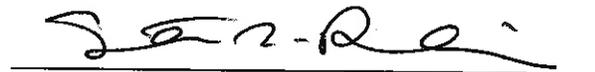
It is hereby agreed by and between both parties that this **CONSENT AGREEMENT** hereby settles all issues concerning this matter.

By her signature on this **CONSENT AGREEMENT**, **KILLA** 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. **KILLA** 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. **KILLA** 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 (NPDB), 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. The **BOARD** shall incorporate this **CONSENT AGREEMENT** into a formal journal entry at its July 2015, meeting.

This **CONSENT AGREEMENT** shall take effect upon the date of the Board Chair's signature below:


Christine M. Killa, LPCC


Steven Polovick, LSW, MS
Chair, Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

6/21/2015
Date

7-17-15
Date


Counsel for Ms. Killa


Melissa L. Wilburn, Esq.
Assistant Attorney General
Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

n/a
Date

June 24, 2015
Date