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**STATE OF OHIO  
COUNSELOR AND SOCIAL WORKER BOARD**

ADJUDICATION ORDER  
in the Matter of:

Lisa Langholt  
PO Box 152  
Edison, Ohio 43320

IN THE MATTER OF LISA LANGHOLT TO BE LICENSED AS A SOCIAL WORKER  
IN THE STATE OF OHIO.

**FINDINGS, ORDER, AND JOURNAL ENTRY**

On September 24, 1998, this matter came for consideration at a hearing before the Counselor and Social Worker Board, hereinafter "Board", based upon a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing that was mailed to Lisa Langholt by the Board on May 28, 1998 and June 17, 1998. The members of the Board that were present during the hearing were Jane Daroff, Glenn Abraham, Robert L. Moore, Maggie Jackson, Chester Partyka, and Penny Wyman.

Pursuant to O.R.C. 119.07, a party is entitled to a hearing before the Board if such party requests a hearing within thirty (30) days of the mailing of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing. In this case, Lisa Langholt did not request a hearing within thirty (30) days of either the May 28, 1998, mailing of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing or the June 17, 1998, mailing of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing. Therefore this hearing was held pursuant to *Goldman v. State Medical Board of Ohio* (1996), 110 Ohio App.3d 124, 673 N.E.2d 677. At this hearing the Board, by and through their Assistant Attorney General, Jonathan M. Bowman, presented evidence in support of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing. Lisa Langholt was not present. Prior to the hearing in this matter, the State of Ohio dropped the reference to "Person 2" and "Person 3" in Count 3 of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing.

**Testimony Heard at the Hearing of September 24, 1998**

1. Testimony of William L. Hegarty, Investigative Supervisor, for the Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board.
2. Testimony of Peggy Fossett, Investigator, for the Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board.

## Exhibits Admitted

The Board admitted the following exhibits into evidence at the Hearing of September 24, 1998.

1. Notice of Opportunity for Hearing issued to Lisa Langholt, dated May 28, 1998.
  - 1A. Person Key identifying complainants in this case.
2. Notice of Opportunity for Hearing issued to Lisa Langholt, dated June 17, 1998.
3. Letter from Lisa Langholt dated July 6, 1998, postmarked July 30, 1998, and received by the Board on August 3, 1998, with regard to the Notice of Opportunity sent June 17, 1998.
4. Letter dated August 18, 1998, from the Board to Lisa Langholt scheduling the hearing on September 24, 1998, pursuant to *Goldman v. State Medical Board of Ohio* (1996), 110 Ohio App.3d 124, 673 N.E.2d 677.
5. Statement of Complaint received by the Board from Person #1 (from Person Key - State's Exhibit 1A).
6. Copies of checks issued by Person #1.
7. Letter received by the Board on September 19, 1997, from Lisa Langholt concerning her professional work at Marion Ohio Internal Medicine.
8. Letter dated October 28, 1997 from Peggy Fossett, Board Investigator, to Dr. Ronald Landefeld, MD, requesting information.
  - 8A. Response from Dr. Landefeld's office to State's Exhibit #8.
9. Letter from Dr. Ronald Landefeld, MD, concerning his professional relationship with Lisa Langholt.
10. Statement of Complaint received by the Board on September 12, 1997, from Person #2 (from Person Key - State's Exhibit 1A).
11. Statement of Complaint received by the Board from Person #3 (from Person Key - State's Exhibit 1A).
12. Letter dated December 14, 1994, from Beth Farnsworth, Executive Director of the Board, concerning the expiration of the license of Lisa Langholt.
13. Progress Notes from Marion Ohio Internal Medicine concerning Person #1.
14. Progress Notes from Marion Ohio Internal Medicine, Inc. concerning Person #1.
15. Mental Health Unit Admission Criteria Checklist from Marion General Hospital, Inc., dated March 16, 1995.
16. Mental Health Unit Admission Criteria Checklist from Marion General Hospital, Inc., dated March 21, 1995.

17. A letter received by the Board on February 12, 1997, from the Delaware County Prosecutor's Office pertaining to a criminal proceeding that occurred in the Delaware County Court of Common Pleas on September 18, 1996.
18. A letter (and related documents) received by the Board on August 24, 1998, from the State Medical Board of Ohio concerning Dr. Ronald Landefeld, MD.
19. Statement of Complaint received by the Board on October 5, 1994, from Person #5 (from Person Key - State's Exhibit 1A).
20. Statement of Complaint received by the Board from Ronald A. Cass.
21. Letter dated June 13, 1996, from Barbara Furr concerning Lisa Langholt.
22. Statement of Complaint received by the Board on June 17, 1993, from Diane Sue Williamson.
23. Letter dated January 7, 1991, from Marion Ohio Internal Medicine, Inc. pertaining to Lisa Langholt.
24. Letter dated November 7, 1997, and received by the Board on November 14, 1997, from Lisa Langholt regarding her professional relationship with Dr. Ronald Landefeld, MD, and Marion Ohio Internal Medicine.

Upon the State's request, the Board admitted State's Exhibits 1A, 3, 5-11, 13-14, 19-22 into evidence **under seal** due to the confidential nature of these exhibits.

### **Findings of Fact**

Based upon the evidence listed above, the Board finds that:

- A. On May 28, 1998, the Board mailed Lisa Langholt the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to PO Box 152, Edison, Ohio 43320. This Notice was returned unclaimed. (State's Exhibit 1) On June 17, 1998, the Board mailed Lisa Langholt the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing (State's Exhibit 2) to the Department of Social Insurance, 31 S. Laurel Road, London, Kentucky 40744, the address of her place of employment. Lisa Langholt mailed a request for a hearing to the Board, such request did not arrive at the Board until August 3, 1998, after the expiration of the thirty-day period. (State's Exhibit 3).
- B. Lisa Langholt committed the conduct as alleged in Counts 1 through 6 of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, attached, except that the Board does not find that Lisa Langholt committed the conduct concerning Person 2 and Person 3 as alleged in Count 3 of the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing.

### **Conclusions of Law**

Based upon the Findings of Fact which are based upon the evidence listed above, the Board hereby concludes that :

1. Lisa Langholt's conduct as alleged in Count 1 constitutes a violation of Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.13(A), Former Ohio Administrative Code 4757-21-01 preamble and (B) and Appendix B: The Code of Ethics of the National Association of Social Workers, paragraphs (I)(D)(2), (II)(F)(2), (4) and (5).
2. Lisa Langholt's conduct as alleged in Count 2 constitutes a violation of Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.13(A), Former Ohio Administrative Code 4757-21-01 preamble and (B) and Appendix B: The Code of Ethics of the National Association of Social Workers, paragraphs (I)(D)(2), (II)(F)(2), (4).
3. Lisa Langholt's conduct as alleged in Count 3 constitutes a violation of Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.02(B) and (C); Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.13(A); and Former Ohio Administrative Code 4757-19-01(C) and (D).
4. Lisa Langholt's conduct as alleged in Count 4 constitutes a violation of Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.13(A), Former Ohio Administrative Code 4757-15-02, and Former Ohio Administrative Code 4757-21-01(B)(6).
5. Lisa Langholt's conduct as alleged in Count 5 constitutes a violation of Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.13(A) and Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.09(A).
6. Lisa Langholt's conduct as alleged in Count 6 constitutes a violation of Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.13(A), Former Ohio Administrative Code 4757-21-01 preamble and (B) and Appendix B: The Code of Ethics of the National Association of Social Workers, paragraphs (I)(A)(2).

THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED that for the reasons outlined in this ORDER, the license of Lisa Langholt (S-7567) to practice as a Social Worker in Ohio is REVOKED. This ORDER was approved by unanimous vote of the Members of the Board who reviewed this case.

Motion carried by order of the Counselor and Social Worker Board

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 may appeal from this Order. Such an appeal may be taken to the court of common pleas in the county in which your place of business is located or to the court in the county in which you reside. If you do not have a place of business in Ohio and are not a resident of Ohio, you may appeal to the Court of Common Pleas in Franklin County, Ohio.

Such an appeal, setting forth the Order appealed from and the grounds of the appeal must be commenced by the filing of a Notice of Appeal with the State of Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board and the appropriate Court within fifteen (15) days after the mailing of this notice and in accordance with the requirements of Section 119.12 of the Ohio Revised Code.

By Order of the State of Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Moore", with a horizontal line underneath it.

Robert L. Moore  
Chairman

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## STATE OF OHIO COUNSELOR AND SOCIAL WORKER BOARD

May 28, 1998

Lisa Langholt  
PO Box 152  
Edison, Ohio 43320

Case Number: 9203052  
License Number: S-7567

### Notice of Opportunity for Hearing

Dear Ms. Langholt:

In accordance with Chapter 119 and Chapter 4757 of the Ohio Revised Code, you are hereby notified that the State of Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board proposes under the authority of Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.13(A) and Ohio Revised Code 4757.36(A) to issue an order to suspend, revoke, otherwise restrict or take other disciplinary action with regard to your license to practice social work (S-7567) in Ohio. The reasons for the proposed order are as follows:

1. Between on or about July 14, 1994, and on or about September 17, 1995, you entered into a dual relationship with Person #1, a client of yours, by : (a) entering into a personal and sexual relationship with Person #1; (b) allowing Person #1 to make payments on your bills to include your student loan, electric bill, mortgage, and JC Penneys bill as well as you paying toward this client's Visa credit card bill; and (c) allowing Person #1 to volunteer in your office. These acts constitute violations of Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.13(A), Former Ohio Administrative Code 4757-21-01 preamble and (B) and Appendix B: The Code of Ethics of the National Association of Social Workers, paragraphs (I)(D)(2), (II)(F)(2), (4) and (5).

2. Between on or about February 1993 and November 1995, you entered into a dual relationship with Persons #2 and #3, who were both clients of yours and who were divorced yet living together, by: (a) entering into a friendship with Person #2 and Person #3; (b) making social visits to their home several times a week; (c) telling Person #2 how much he means to you; (d) allowing Person #2 to fix your tractor at his expense; (e) asking for and receiving from Person #2 a gun for your gun collection; (f) asking Person #2 to cut wood for you and allowing him to do so; (g) allowing Person #3 to cook you dinner; and (h) allowing Person #2 to buy you dinner. These acts constitute violations of Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.13(A), Former Ohio Administrative Code 4757-21-01 preamble and (B) and Appendix B: The Code of Ethics of the National Association of Social Workers, paragraphs (I)(D)(2), (II)(F)(2) and (4).

3. Between July 16, 1993, and April 1995, your license to practice social work was lapsed but you continued to practice social work. During this period of time, you used the initials LSW when you professionally treated Person #1, Person #2, Person #3, and when you completed Marion General Hospital Inc. Mental Health Unit Admission Criteria Checklists on March 21, 1995, and March 16, 1995. These acts constitute violations of Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.02(B) and (C); Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.13(A); and Former Ohio Administrative Code 4757-19-01(C) and (D).

4. Between on or about September 24, 1993, and June 7, 1997, you practiced outside the scope of practice of a Licensed Social Worker by: (a) prescribing medications to clients and then having Person #4, a medical doctor, sign off on the prescriptions; and (b) providing medications to clients. These acts constitute violations of Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.13(A), Former Ohio Administrative Code 4757-15-02, and Former Ohio Administrative Code 4757-21-01(B) (6).

5. Between January 1991 and December 1994, you practiced as an independent practitioner. This is a violation of Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.13(A) and Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.09(A).

6. Between June 1994 and August 1994, you improperly billed Person #5, a client of yours, by having the client pay Habitat Consultants, your firm, when billing should have gone to Marion Internal Medicine. This is a violation of Former Ohio Revised Code 4757.13(A), Former Ohio Administrative Code 4757-21-01(B) and Appendix B: The Code of Ethics of the National Association of Social Workers, paragraph (I)(A)(2).

The Board proposes to take disciplinary action against your license based on these allegations.

You are entitled to a hearing in this matter if you request such a hearing within thirty (30) days of the date of mailing of this notice. You are entitled to appear at such hearing in person, or by your attorney, or to present your position, arguments or contentions in writing. At such a hearing you may present evidence and examine witnesses appearing for or against you.

In the event that there is no request for such hearing made within thirty (30) days of the date of mailing of this notice, the State of Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board may, in its discretion, suspend, revoke or take other disciplinary action against your social worker license.

cc: Jonathan M. Bowman  
Assistant Attorney General

Beth Farnsworth  
Beth Farnsworth  
Executive Director

5-28-98

Date

## Certification

I hereby certify that a true and accurate copy of this Adjudication Order of the State of Ohio Counselor and Social Worker Board was mailed return receipt requested to Lisa Langholt this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October 1998.

*Beth Farnsworth*

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Beth Farnsworth  
Executive Director

10-28-98  
Date

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