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**CONSENT AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
WESLEY K. STRATTON  
AND THE**

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

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into by and between WESLEY K. STRATTON, hereinafter, "STRATTON", 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.

STRATTON hereby acknowledges that he 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.

STRATTON is fully aware of his rights, including his right to be advised by counsel and his right to a hearing pursuant to Chapter 119 of the Ohio Revised Code on the issues which are the subject of this CONSENT AGREEMENT. Should STRATTON fail to comply with any provisions of this CONSENT AGREEMENT, STRATTON knowingly waives his rights under ORC Chapter 119.

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 stipulations, admissions and understandings:

1. STRATTON is a social worker (S-0009041) licensed to practice social work in the State of Ohio, and is subject to the laws and rules of Ohio regulating the practice of social work as outlined in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 4757 and Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 4757. STRATTON received his social work license on January 20, 1990.
2. From on or about January 1, 2006, through on or about July 5, 2006, while STRATTON was employed at Advanced Therapeutic Services, Dayton, Ohio, STRATTON provided inaccurate numbers of clients seen by him. STRATTON was paid per client seen. On February 5, 2007, STRATTON met with a Board investigator and admitted that he had submitted claims for and been paid for approximately 130 clients that he had not actually seen. Partaking in billing irregularities constitutes a violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(A)(1) and Ohio Administrative Code Section 4757-5-01(I)(6).

3. **STRATTON** admits the allegation referenced in paragraph 2 above.

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

1. **STRATTON'S** license to practice social work is hereby **REPRIMANDED**.
2. **STRATTON** must receive face-to face supervision, by an individual pre-approved by the Board, one-hour every week for a period of 1 year. **STRATTON** should not select a supervisor with which he has a prior relationship. If any previous relationship with the supervisor exists, **STRATTON** must provide full disclosure of such a relationship in the request for supervisor approval. The 1-year supervision period will not begin until **STRATTON'S** supervisor is approved. Supervision should focus on, but not limited to, **STRATTON'S** role in professional relationships, ethical decision-making, and proper record keeping. **STRATTON** should submit the name of his proposed supervisor to the **BOARD'S** Investigation Unit for pre-approval no later than August 15, 2007. **STRATTON'S** supervisor is required to submit a report to the Board, quarterly, detailing topics discussed during supervision sessions, areas of concern, and areas for improvement. At the end of the 1-year supervised period, **STRATTON'S** supervisor will make a final report encompassing the 1 year of supervision. If **STRATTON'S** supervisor is concerned with **STRATTON'S** practice at any time the Board should be notified immediately. It is **STRATTON'S** responsibility to ensure that the Board receives the supervisor's reports. All costs, if any, associated with the supervision are at the expense of **STRATTON**.
3. **STRATTON** must take twelve (12) hours of continuing education coursework in the area of social work ethics. These hours must be pre-approved in writing by the Board's Deputy Director or his designee. Once **STRATTON** successfully completes these hours, **STRATTON** must send in copies of his attendance/completion certificates to the **BOARD'S** Deputy Director. **STRATTON** will have until September 1, 2008, to complete this requirement. The hours earned from these continuing education hours may not be used toward the thirty (30) hours of continuing education required for license renewal. All costs associated with this requirement are at the expense of **STRATTON**.

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

By his signature on this **CONSENT AGREEMENT**, **STRATTON** 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. **STRATTON** agrees that should the **BOARD** reject this **CONSENT AGREEMENT** and if this case proceeds to hearing, he will assert no claim that the **BOARD** was prejudiced by its review and discussion of this **CONSENT AGREEMENT** or of any information relating thereto.

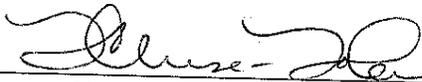
STRATTON hereby releases the members of the BOARD, its officers and employees, jointly and severally, from any and all liability arising from the matter within.

This CONSENT AGREEMENT shall be considered a public record as that term is used in Section 149.43 of the Ohio Revised Code. Pursuant to 42 USC Section 132a-73(b), 5 USC Section 552a, 45 CFR part 61, and Ohio Revised Code 3123.41 et seq., the BOARD may be required to provide STRATTON'S social security number to requesting governmental agencies.

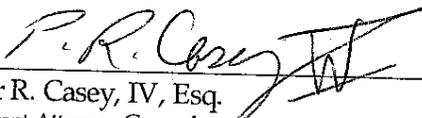
The BOARD shall incorporate this CONSENT AGREEMENT into a formal journal entry at its May 18, 2007, meeting.

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

  
Wesley K. Stratton, LSW

  
Theresa Cluse-Tolar, Ph.D., LISW  
Chair, Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

5/17/07  
Date

  
Peter R. Casey, IV, Esq.  
Assistant Attorney General  
Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

5/18/07  
Date