

MS. WOODWORTH ENTERED INTO A CONSENT AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD ON SEPTEMBER 17, 2010. PER THE AGREEMENT MS. WOODWORTH WAS REQUIRED TO OBTAIN 30 HOURS OF CONTINUING EDUCATION. THE REQUIREMENT HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND HER LICENSE TO PRACTICE SOCIAL WORK IS RESTORED. Ms. Woodworth completed the terms of the consent agreement as of 2/25/2011

Melinda Woodworth and the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

**CONSENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
MELINDA WOODWORTH
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 MELINDA WOODWORTH, hereinafter, "WOODWORTH," 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.

WOODWORTH 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.

WOODWORTH 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. WOODWORTH is a social worker (S.0014181) 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. WOODWORTH received her social work license on March 21, 1992.
2. WOODWORTH renewed her social work license through March 21, 2012. In April 2010, WOODWORTH was audited for compliance with continuing education requirements. WOODWORTH was unable to comply with the audit. WOODWORTH'S failure to comply with the audit requirement constitutes a violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(C)(1) and Ohio Administrative Code Section 4757-11-01 (C)(20)(b).
3. WOODWORTH 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 other formal disciplinary proceedings, WOODWORTH knowingly and voluntarily agrees with the BOARD to the following terms and conditions:

WOODWORTH'S license to practice social work (S.0014181) in Ohio is indefinitely suspended. Once **WOODWORTH** obtains 30 hours of appropriate social work continuing education, she must submit the completion certificates to the Board's Deputy Director for review. The **BOARD** will lift the licensure suspension once these hours have been reviewed and approved. These 30 hours may not be used for any future renewal.

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, **WOODWORTH** 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. **WOODWORTH** 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.

WOODWORTH 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 **WOODWORTH'S** social security number to requesting governmental agencies. The **BOARD** shall incorporate this CONSENT AGREEMENT into a formal journal entry at its September 2010, meeting.

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

Melinda L. Woodworth, LSW
Melinda L. Woodworth, LSW

8-17-2010
Date

Jennifer Riesbeck-Lee, LSW
Jennifer Riesbeck-Lee, LSW
Chair, Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

8-17-10
Date

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9/17/10
Date