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**CONSENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
LAWRENCE E. KWAPICH
AND THE
OHIO STATE COUNSELOR AND SOCIAL WORKER BOARD**

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into by and between LAWRENCE E. KWAPICH, hereinafter, "**KWAPICH**", and the STATE OF OHIO COUNSELOR AND SOCIAL WORKER BOARD, hereinafter "**BOARD**", the state agency charged with enforcing Chapter 4757 of the Ohio Revised Code and all rules promulgated thereunder.

KWAPICH 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.

KWAPICH 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.

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. **KWAPICH** is a Licensed Social Worker (S-15188) 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.
2. On or about June 16, 1998, **KWAPICH** was employed at Rescue Mental Health Services, Toledo, Ohio as a Mental Health Professional I. Part of his professional responsibilities was to perform phone in-take services. On or about June 16, 1998, **KWAPICH** acted unprofessionally in his phone in-take responsibilities by conducting an improper conversation with said caller. Such unprofessional conduct constitutes a violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(A) and Ohio Administrative Code Section 4757-5-01(C)

3. **KWAPICH** ADMITS the allegation referenced in paragraph 2 referenced above.

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

- A. **KWAPICH** is hereby **REPRIMANDED** by the **BOARD**. Such Reprimand will be placed in **KWAPICH'S** permanent social work licensure file
- B. **KWAPICH** will take, at his own expense, a workshop on proper ethics/boundaries in the field of social work. Such workshop must be pre-approved by the **BOARD** and must be completed by December 31, 1999. After **KWAPICH** completes said workshop he will provide the **BOARD** with a copy of his Certificate of Attendance by forwarding such to the Board's Investigative Supervisor. Any CEUs received for this workshop cannot be counted toward the renewal of **KWAPICH'S** social work license.

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 AGREEMENT, **KWAPICH** 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. **KWAPICH** 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.

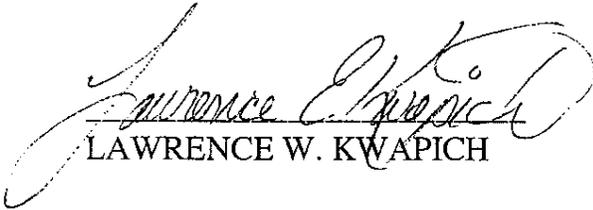
KWAPICH hereby releases the members of the **BOARD**, its officers and employees, jointly and severally, from any and all liability arising from the matter within.

This CONSENT AGREEMENT shall be considered a public record as that term is used in Section 149.43 of the Ohio Revised Code.

The **BOARD** shall incorporate this CONSENT AGREEMENT into a formal journal entry at its January, 1999, meeting.

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

THE OHIO COUNSELOR AND
SOCIAL WORKER BOARD

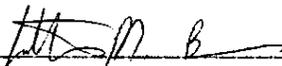

LAWRENCE W. KWAPICH


Chairman
Counselor and Social Worker Board

January 12, 1999
DATE

29 JAN 99
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Counsel for Lawrence E. Kwapich


Jonathan M. Bowman
Assistant Attorney General
Counselor and Social Worker Board

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Jan 29, 1999
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