

Ms. Hart completed the terms of the
consent agreement as of 9/26/08

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

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into by and between CHRISTINE HART, hereinafter, "**HART**," 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.

HART 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.

HART 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. Should **HART** fail to comply with any provisions of this CONSENT AGREEMENT, **HART** knowingly waives her rights under ORC Chapter 119 to a hearing.

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. **HART** is a social worker (S.0024784) licensed to practice social work 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. **HART** received her social work license on November 21, 1997.
2. **HART** renewed her social work license through November 21, 2009. In January 2008, **HART** was audited for compliance with continuing education requirements. **HART** was able to show she had completed 23 hours of the required 30 hours of continuing education. **HART'S** failure to fully comply with the audit requirement constitutes a violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(A) (1) and Ohio

Administrative Code Section 4757-11-01 (C)(21)(b).

3. **HART** 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, **HART** knowingly and voluntarily agrees with the **BOARD** to the following terms and conditions:

HART'S social work license will be indefinitely suspended beginning September 19, 2008. Should **HART** submit an additional 7 hours of Board approved continuing education to the Board's Deputy Director, the **BOARD** will lift the suspension. The 7 hours taken for this requirement may NOT be used for any future licensure 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**, **HART** 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. **HART** 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.

HART 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 **HART'S** social security number to requesting governmental agencies.

Consent Agreement between Christine Hart and the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

The BOARD shall incorporate this CONSENT AGREEMENT into a formal journal entry at its September 2008, meeting.

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

Christine Hart

Christine Hart, LSW

Kenneth E. Trivison

Kenneth E. Trivison, PCC, IMFT
Chair, Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

8.21.08

Date

9/18/08

Date

Melinda DeBarn, Esq., APC.

Assistant Attorney General
Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

Date