

CONSENT AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

JAMIE L. FUQUA

AND THE

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

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into by and between JAMIE L. FUQUA, hereinafter, "FUQUA," and the STATE OF OHIO COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER AND 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.

FUQUA 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.

FUQUA 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 FUQUA fail to comply with any provisions of this CONSENT AGREEMENT, FUQUA knowingly waives her rights under ORC Chapter 119 with respect to the claims in this 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. FUQUA is a social worker (S-0030121) licensed 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. FUQUA received her social work license on November 22, 2002.

2. FUQUA was employed by The Village Network, Sandusky, Ohio, from July 8, 2005, through March 24, 2006, as a contract therapist. FUQUA blurred her professional boundaries by allowing former clients to continue to have contact with ex-clients once she left employment with The Village Network.

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violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(A)(1) and Ohio Administrative Code Section 4757-5-01(B)(5) (c) and 4757-11-01(C)(20)

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

1. **FUQUA'S** license to practice social work is hereby **REPRIMANDED**.
2. **FUQUA** is required to complete and pass a college or university course in social work ethics, at her expense. The course must be pre-approved by the **BOARD**. **FUQUA** must contact the **BOARD'S** investigative unit to seek pre-approval. The course must be completed by ~~March 31~~ ^{July 1}, 2008. **FUQUA** must ensure the Board receives an official transcript directly from the college or university at the completion of the course. (OLN)
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3. **FUQUA** will be on probation for a period of two (2) years, upon employment or at her current place of employment. During the two year probationary period **FUQUA** must be supervised in all aspects of her practice of social work and receive face-to-face supervision one hour every two weeks. **FUQUA'S** supervisor must be pre-approved by the **BOARD**. All cost associated with supervision will be at **FUQUA'S** expense. Experience obtained while under a consent agreement with the **BOARD** shall not count towards the experience requirement for licensure at the independent level. The request for supervisor approval must be made in writing, include a copy of the supervisor's vita and be submitted no later than two weeks after the signing of this consent agreement or once she returns to social work practice. Supervision should focus on, but not be limited to, ethical decision making, multiple relationships and standard of care. Supervision should be considered training in nature and should not be limited to simply approving and denying case plans. **FUQUA'S** supervisor must submit quarterly reports to the **BOARD** for the entire two year period detailing topics discussed during supervision sessions, areas of concern, areas of improvement and make a recommendation with regards to **FUQUA'S** suitability to practice. However, if **FUQUA'S** supervisor is concerned with **FUQUA'S** practice at any time during the probationary period the **BOARD** should be notified immediately. It is **FUQUA'S** responsibility to ensure that the **BOARD** receives all supervisory reports.

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



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By her signature on this CONSENT AGREEMENT, FUQUA 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. FUQUA 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.

FUQUA 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 Section 2301.373(E), the BOARD may be required to provide FUQUA'S social security number to requesting governmental agencies.

The BOARD shall incorporate this CONSENT AGREEMENT into a formal journal entry at its March 16, 2007, meeting.

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

THE OHIO COUNSELOR,
SOCIAL WORKER AND MARRIAGE AND
FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD

Jamie L. Fuqua
JAMIE L. FUQUA, SW

3-15-07
Date

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

3-16-07
Date

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Counselor, Social Worker and Marriage and Family Therapist Board

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Date