

Consent Agreement between Joy A. Shakur and the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

**CONSENT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
JOY A. SHAKUR
AND THE
STATE OF OHIO COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER, MARRIAGE AND
FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD**

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into by and between JOY A. SHAKUR, hereinafter, "SHAKUR," 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.

SHAKUR 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.

SHAKUR 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, 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. SHAKUR is a social worker (S.0030933) 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. SHAKUR received her social work license on September 19, 2003.
2. From about April 2012 through about April 2013 SHAKUR was employed as a social worker at an agency in Toledo, Ohio. During this period of time, SHAKUR mishandled agency funds in the amount of \$25,967.10. On May 12, 2014, SHAKUR entered into a Victim Restitution Agreement with the Lucas County Prosecutor's Pre-Trial Diversion Program whereby SHAKUR agrees to repay the amount mishandled. SHAKUR'S actions constitute a violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(C)(1) and Ohio Administrative Code Section 4757-5-09(G).
3. SHAKUR 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 other formal disciplinary proceedings, SHAKUR knowingly and voluntarily agrees with the BOARD to the following terms and conditions:

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1. SHAKUR'S license to practice as a social worker (S.0030933) is hereby REPRIMANDED.
2. SHAKUR must fully comply with all aspects of the previously referenced Victim Restitution Agreement. Should SHAKUR not fully comply with this Agreement, it will be considered non-compliance with this Consent Agreement and may result in further disciplinary action by the BOARD.

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, SHAKUR 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. SHAKUR 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.

Shakur 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 3123.41 et seq. the BOARD may be required to provide SHAKUR'S social security number to requesting governmental agencies.

The BOARD shall incorporate this CONSENT AGREEMENT into a formal journal entry at its July, 2014, meeting. This CONSENT AGREEMENT shall take effect upon the date of the Board Chair's signature below:

Joy A. Shakur, LSW
 Joy A. Shakur, LSW
6/29/14
 Date

Bretchen Debacker
 Counsel for Ms. Shakur

 Date

Mary J. Ventruck, LPC, LSW
 Mary J. Ventruck, LPC, LSW
 Chair, Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board
7-18-14
 Date

Yvonne Tertel
 Yvonne Tertel, Esq.
 Principal Assistant Attorney General
 Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board
7/11/2014
 Date