

Mr. Tennant completed the terms of the consent agreement as of 5/5/2008

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**CONSENT AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
CHRISTOPHER L. TENNANT  
AND THE  
STATE OF OHIO COUNSELOR, SOCIAL WORKER, MARRIAGE AND  
FAMILY THERAPIST BOARD**

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into by and between CHRISTOPHER L. TENNANT, hereinafter, "TENNANT", 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.

TENNANT 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.

TENNANT 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. Should TENNANT fail to comply with any provisions of this CONSENT AGREEMENT, TENNANT knowingly waives his rights under ORC Chapter 119.

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. TENNANT is a social worker (S-0031995) 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. TENNANT received his social work license on November 19, 2004.
2. In March 2007, while TENNANT was employed at Caprice Health Care Center, Youngstown, Ohio, he blurred his professional boundaries by accepting a gift from a client valued at between \$500.00 and \$1,000. Blurring professional boundaries constitutes a violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(A)(1) and Ohio Administrative

Code Section 4757-5-01(C).

3. **TENNANT 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 formal disciplinary proceedings, **TENNANT** knowingly and voluntarily agrees with the **BOARD** to the following terms and conditions:

1. **TENNANT'S** license to practice social work is hereby **REPRIMANDED**.
2. **TENNANT** must take six (6) hours of continuing social work education in the area of professional ethics. These hours must be pre-approved in writing by the Board's Deputy Director or his designee. After **TENNANT** completes these hours, he must submit a copy of his attendance certificate(s) to verify his attendance for these hours. These hours must be completed and verification submitted no later than January 31, 2008. The credit earned from these hours may not be used toward the thirty (30) hours of continuing education required for license renewal. All costs associated with the course are at the expense of **TENNANT**.

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

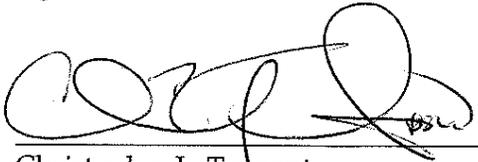
By his signature on this **CONSENT AGREEMENT**, **TENNANT** acknowledges that in the event the **BOARD**, in its discretion, does not approve this **CONSENT AGREEMENT**, this settlement offer is withdrawn and shall be of no evidentiary value and shall not be relied upon or introduced in any disciplinary action or appeal by either party. **TENNANT** 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.

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

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

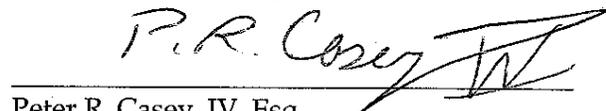
This CONSENT AGREEMENT shall take effect upon the date of the Board Chair's signature below:

  
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Christopher L. Tennant

7-3-2007  
Date

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

7/20/07  
Date

  
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Peter R. Casey, IV, Esq.  
Assistant Attorney General  
Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

7/20/07  
Date