

MS. NEIL ALLOWED HER SOCIAL WORK LICENSE TO LAPSE AND SHE CONTINUED TO PRACTICE UNDER IT FROM NOVEMBER 20, 2010, UNTIL DECEMBER 7, 2010, WHILE WORKING AT AN AGENCY IN CINCINNATI, OHIO. PRACTICING SOCIAL WORK ON A LAPSED LICENSE CONSTITUTE A VIOLATION OF OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 4757.36 (C) (1) AND OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE SECTION 4757-7-02. Ms. Neil completed the terms of her consent agreement as of 3/7/2012.

Ms. Neil and the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

**CONSENT AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
LINDA S. NEIL**

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

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into by and between LINDA S. NEIL, hereinafter, "NEIL," 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.

NEIL 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. NEIL 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. NEIL is a social worker (S-0025980) 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. NEIL received her social work license on November 20, 1998.
2. NEIL allowed her social work license to lapse and she continued to practice under it from November 20, 2010, until December 7, 2010, while working at an agency in Cincinnati, Ohio. Practicing social work on a lapsed license constitute a violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4757.36(C)(1) and Ohio Administrative Code Section 4757-7-02.
3. NEIL 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, NEIL knowingly and voluntarily agrees with the BOARD to the following terms and conditions:

1. NEIL'S license to practice social work is hereby REPRIMANDED.
2. NEIL must take six (6) hours of continuing social work education in the area of professional ethics. These hours must be pre-approved in

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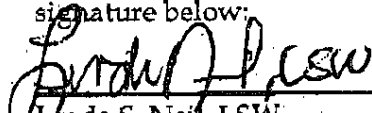
writing by the Board's Deputy Director or his designee. After NEIL completes these hours, she must submit a copy of her attendance certificate(s) to verify her attendance for these hours. These hours must be completed and verification submitted no later than January 31, 2012. The credit earned from these 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 NEIL.

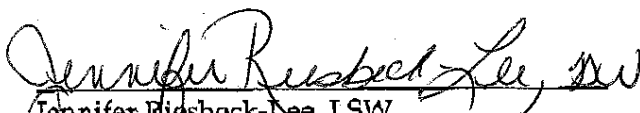
It is hereby agreed by and between both parties that this CONSENT AGREEMENT hereby settles all issues concerning this matter. By her signature on this CONSENT AGREEMENT, NEIL acknowledges that in the event the BOARD, in its discretion, does not approve this CONSENT AGREEMENT, this settlement offer is 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. NEIL 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.

NEIL 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 NEIL'S social security number to requesting governmental agencies. The BOARD shall incorporate this CONSENT AGREEMENT into a formal journal entry at its May 2011, meeting.


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

  
Linda S. Neil, LSW

  
Jennifer Riesbeck-Dee, LSW  
Chair, Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

4/25/11  
Date

5-20-11  
Date

  
Leah V.B. O'Carroll, Esq.  
Assistant Attorney General  
Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board

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Date

5/20/11  
Date