

**Louisiana Licensed Professional
Counselors Board of Examiners**

**IN THE MATTER OF
EMILY DILEO, PLPC**

**COMPLAINT NUMBER: 14/15-78
PROV. LICENSE PLPC NO: PLC5724**

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER

WHEREAS, EMILY DILEO (“MS. DILEO”) is a Provisional Licensed Professional Counselor (“PLPC”), and is subject to the jurisdiction and rules and regulations of the Louisiana Mental Health Counselor Licensing Act (La. R.S. 37:1101, et seq.), the Code of Conduct for Provisional Licensed Professional Counselors (LAC 46:LX § 2101, et seq.) and the rules regarding disciplinary proceedings (LAC 46:LX § 1301-1325, et seq);

WHEREAS, on or about May 8, 2015, the Louisiana Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners (“LPCBE”) received information regarding MS. DILEO from a Complaint filed by her Employer with the LPCBE as well as a letter from Ms. Dileo on May 13, 2015, concerning an inappropriate romantic relationship between Ms. Dileo and a client;

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 2, 2015, the LPCBE notified MS. DILEO of the Complaint filed by her Employer, provided MS. DILEO with a summary of the nature of the complaint, and requested that MS. DILEO, within thirty (30) days, provide a statement giving her review of the circumstances, which are the subject of the complaint;

WHEREAS, by letter received October 26, 2015, MS. DILEO submitted a response to the Complaint in a timely fashion, wherein she verified the existence of an inappropriate relationship with a client;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Complaint and administrative investigation, the respondent, EMILY DILEO, has indicated her desire to resolve this matter through a Consent Agreement and Order provided for in LAC 46:LX § 1311 and LAC 46:LX § 3907;

WHEREAS, the Respondent, EMILY DILEO, PLPC, has admitted the following:

1. Respondent, EMILY DILEO, is a Provisional Licensed Professional Counselor, provisionally licensed by the LPCBE to engage in the practice of mental health counseling in the State of Louisiana, as evidenced by PLPC Provisional License Number PLC5724.
2. At all times pertinent to the facts of this case, EMILY DILEO was actively engaged in the practice of mental health counseling at ACER, LLC, located in Slidell, Louisiana.
3. EMILY DILEO engaged in an inappropriate romantic relationship with a client that caused the client significant undue harm.
4. EMILY DILEO admits that her actions were in violation of La. R.S. 37:1110(A)(3)(9); LAC 46:LX, §1301(A)(B), §2103(A)(1)(a)(c)(4)(a)(b)(5)(a)(c), §2107(A)(1)(a)(2)(d)(6)(d), and §2117(A)(1)(a).

WHEREAS, EMILY DILEO has indicated her desire to resolve this matter through a Consent Agreement and Order;

WHEREAS, the undersigned Prosecutor for the LPCBE has communicated with EMILY DILEO, who has indicated her desire to resolve this matter through a Consent Agreement and Order;

WHEREAS, the Respondent, EMILY DILEO, agrees not to repeat the misconduct mentioned in this Consent Agreement and Order, and acknowledges that any further misconduct mentioned in this Consent Agreement and Order will be considered a violation of the terms of this Consent Agreement and Order and shall be cause for further disciplinary action. EMILY DILEO further recognizes that any violation or failure of strict compliance with any of the terms and conditions set forth in this Consent Agreement and Order by MS. DILEO shall be deemed adequate and sufficient cause, upon proof of such violation or failure, for the LPCBE to take

further disciplinary action as the LPCBE may deem appropriate against the license of MS. DILEO to practice mental health counseling in the State of Louisiana.

WHEREAS, Respondent, EMILY DILEO, recognizes her right to have an Administrative Adjudication of the charges outlined in the complaint and notice letter, at which time MS. DILEO would be entitled to be represented by legal counsel, to call witnesses, and to present witnesses on her behalf in defense or in mitigation of the charges made, and to a decision thereon by the LPCBE based upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law in accordance with the Louisiana Administrative Procedures Act. MS. DILEO nonetheless hereby waives her right to formal adjudication and, pursuant to La. R.S. 49:955(D), and consents to the entry of the Consent Agreement and Order set forth hereinafter. MS. DILEO also acknowledges that she hereby waives any rights to which she may be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act La. R.S. 49:951, et seq., or which she otherwise may be afforded by any law to contest her agreement to, or the force and effect of the LPCBE's investigation or this Consent Agreement and Order in any Court or other forum.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that in consideration of the foregoing and pursuant to the authority vested in the LPCBE by La. R.S. 49:955(D), the LPCBE orders and MS. DILEO accepts the following administrative action, which is a final decision pursuant to La. R.S. 49:958:

1. The PLPC provisional license (formerly Counselor Intern registration) of EMILY DILEO to be engaged in the practice of mental health counseling in the State of Louisiana, as evidenced by PLPC provisional license Number PLC5724 shall be, and is hereby REVOKED, said revocation being effective the date this Consent Agreement and Order is approved and signed by the LPCBE.
2. MS. DILEO shall pay legal costs associated with the Complaint in the amount of \$1,200.00 within two (2) years from the date that all parties sign this Consent Agreement and Order, which payment shall be made by certified check or money order. The payment(s) shall be made on a quarterly basis, in accordance with due dates established by the Board, and with the first payment due within thirty (30) days from the date that all parties sign this Consent Agreement and Order. There shall be no pre-payment penalty.

3. MS. DILEO shall pay a fine as authorized by La. R.S. 37:1106(D) for the above referred violations in the amount of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) within two (2) years from the date that all parties sign this Consent Agreement and Order, with payments to be made by certified check or money order. The payment(s) shall be made on a quarterly basis, in accordance with due dates established by the Board, and with the first payment due within thirty (30) days from the date that all parties sign this Consent Agreement and Order. There shall be no pre-payment penalty.
4. MS. DILEO specifically acknowledges that failure to comply with the terms of the Consent Agreement and Order may result in further disciplinary action taken by the LPCBE. The admissions contained herein will be considered proven and the only issue will be failure to follow the terms of the Consent Agreement and Order.
5. In the event that MS. DILEO successfully seeks reinstatement of her PLPC Provisional license, she shall participate in the LPCBE's Professional Assistance Program, as set forth at LAC 46:LX §2301, et seq.
6. By agreeing to the terms of this Consent Agreement and Order, MS. DILEO waives all rights to appeal this adjudication.

THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the LPCBE and are a matter of public record. The terms of this Consent Agreement and Order may be published and reported in, including but not limited to, the LPCBE Newsletter and website, the National Board for Certified Counselors, and the National Practitioners Data Bank (NPDB).

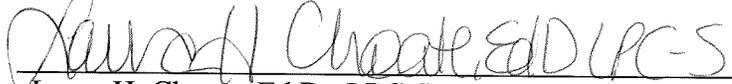
THE ADMISSIONS AND FINDINGS CONTAINED HEREIN are intended solely for the purpose of resolving the case at hand or in connection with other matters before the LPCBE involving Respondent.

ORDER

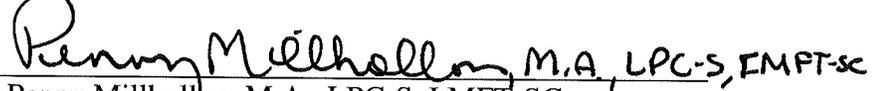
The Louisiana Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners, having examined the Consent Agreement and Order, Case No. 14/15-78, adopt the Consent Agreement and Order in the matter on January 22nd, 2016.

DATED this 22nd day of January, 2016, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

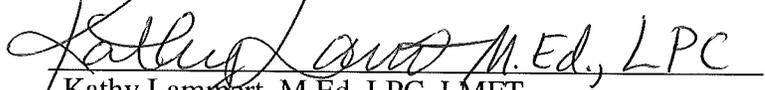
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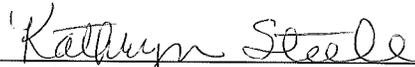
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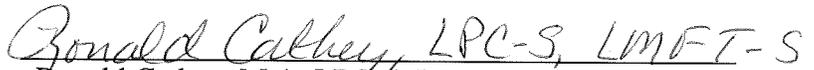
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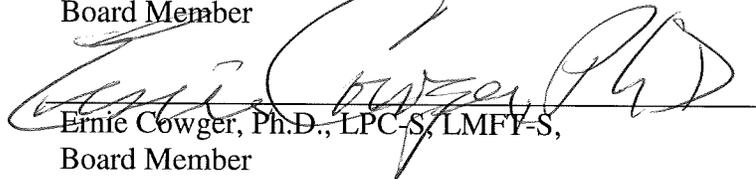
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I, James R. Raines, serving as Prosecutor, do hereby acknowledge negotiation and preparation of this Consent Agreement and Order in order to resolve, with prejudice, all matters for which EMILY DILEO, PLPC, could be charged under Complaint Number 14/15-78; and further certify that this Consent Agreement and Order is consistent with the evidence, adequately addresses the complaint and represents a true and correct statement of that which could be proven at a hearing of this matter.


James R. Raines

1/21/16
Date

I, **EMILY DILEO**, PLPC, make these acknowledgements and waivers in support of a final disposition of the pending investigation of Complaint Number 14/15-78 by Consent Agreement and Order (“Order”) pursuant to La. R.S. 49:955(D), in lieu of the institution and prosecution of formal administrative proceedings, and accordingly consent to the entirety of the Order set forth hereinbefore and further waive any right to which I may be entitled under the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act or any other law to contest, in any court, by agreement to this Order. By my subscription hereto, I also hereby authorize the Prosecutor to present this Order to the LPCBE for its consideration and to disclose to and discuss with the LPCBE the nature and results of the investigation of this matter. I herein waive any objection to such disclosure based on due process of law under either the State or Federal Constitution or under State statutory law, including La. R.S. 49:960. I expressly acknowledge that the disclosure of such information to the LPCBE shall be without prejudice to the Prosecutor’s authority to file a formal Administrative Complaint, or the LPCBE’s capacity to adjudicate such Administrative Complaint, should the LPCBE Board decline to approve this Consent Agreement and Order. I further acknowledge my awareness that should the LPCBE approve this Consent Agreement and Order that the Consent Agreement and Order will become a matter of public record.


EMILY DILEO

1/19/16
Date

I, **EMILY DILEO**, have read the Consent Agreement and Order, understand it, and agree to be bound by its terms and conditions.

DATED: 1/20/16 _____ Emily Dileo
EMILY DILEO

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 20th day of
January, 2016, at Covington, Louisiana.

Angela J. Barron
Notary Public
Print Name: Angela J. Barron
My Commission Expires: at Death

