

## REPORT BY DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL

Public matters are reported to protect the public, inform the profession and deter misconduct. Pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act, in order to more fully fulfill its reporting requirements, the LPC Board recently decided to utilize a new format for reporting disciplinary matters. Please note the new format in the paragraphs that follow. The cases reported herein reflect disciplinary actions taken during the past three years (2007-2010).

### Decisions

**Leslye Hunter**, Metairie (2006/07-10) Consent Order requiring five (5) additional hours of continuing education units on the subject of fee disclosure, record keeping, termination with clients, and transferring other clients to therapists and letter of reprimand. *Summary:* Respondent, LPC License No. 1955 and LMFT No. 146, did not provide appropriate establishment, disclosure and explanation of changes regarding fees related to complainant's record, transferred case records without assuring protection of those records, and transferred complainant's case to another therapist unprofessionally. Respondent was found to have violated the LPC Code of Conduct and LMFT Code of Ethics.

**Jerry Estaville**, Reeves (2009/10-6) Consent Order requiring six (6) additional hours of continuing education units on the subject of ethical issues in counseling, additional fifty (50) hours of supervision and payment of legal costs. *Summary:* Respondent, CI Counselor Intern No. 4474, exhibited unprofessional behavior while conducting counseling. Respondent was found to have violated the LPC Code of Conduct.

**Karl Van Frusha**, New Orleans (2009/10-12) Consent Order requiring three (3) additional hours of continuing education units on the subject of ethical issues in counseling, placed on six (6) months of probation and payment of legal costs. *Summary:* Respondent, LPC License No. 2192, practiced, advertised and represented himself as a LMFT without having received proper certification; allowed LPC license to lapse. Respondent was found to have violated the LPC Code of Conduct.

**Steven Kemp**, New Orleans (2007/08-10) Consent Order requiring five (5) additional hours of continuing education units in ethics and impaired professionals to be completed by March 16, 2010. *Summary:* Respondent, LPC License No. 2612 and LMFT No. 716, was convicted of a felony DWI and failed to report the conviction to the Board. Respondent was found to have violated La. R.S. 37:1110 and Sections 2107(A), 2109 of the LPC Code of Conduct.

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Admonitions issued since the time period 2007-2010 (\*These are private decisions made by the LPC Board.):

Administered appraisal instruments outside of the LPC/LMFT scope of practice .....	5
Attempted to engage in the practice of counseling without a license.....	4
Distributed misleading advertisements regarding credentials held.....	2
Engaged in general unprofessional behavior in front of and/or with a client.....	8
Engaged in a dual relationship .....	1
Failed to provide an accurate and unbiased custody evaluation in a timely manner.....	1
Failed to obtain required written permission from legal guardian before administering counseling services to a minor.....	2
Neglected to uphold LPC/LMFT's responsibility of "Duty to Warn" .....	1
Provided supervision to a person who is not authorized to practice.....	1
<b>TOTAL INDIVIDUALS ADMONISHED.....</b>	<b>25</b>