



# LOUISIANA

## Licensed Professional Counselors Board of Examiners

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*Board Approved Position Statement as of September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013*

### **Citizen Requirement for LPCs Deemed Unconstitutional**

It is the position of the LPC Board that R.S. 37: 1107 (A) (3) is unconstitutional; and consequently, as a matter of policy, will not be enforced by the Board when considering applicants for LPC licensure. The Board has requested that the Louisiana Counseling Association (LCA) support legislation to revise R.S. 37: 1107 (A) (3) accordingly.

*Excerpt from La. R.S. 37: 1107:*

#### **§1107. Requirements for licensed professional counselor; renewal of license**

A. The board shall issue a license to each applicant who files an application upon a form and in such manner as the board prescribes, accompanied by such fee as required by R.S. 37:1106, and who furnishes satisfactory evidence to the board that he:

(1) Is at least twenty-one years of age.

(2) Is of good moral character.

**(3) Is a citizen of the United States or has legally declared his intention of becoming such.**

(4) Is a resident of the state of Louisiana or is in the act of establishing residency in the state of Louisiana.

(5) Is not in violation of any of the provisions of this Chapter and the rules and regulations adopted hereunder.

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