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BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY EXAMINERS
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR EXAMINERS
COMMITTEE OF THE STATE BOARD OF
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF : Administrative Action
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DANA M. COVERT :
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ENGAGING IN THE UNLICENSED :
PRACTICE OF PROFESSIONAL :
COUNSELING IN THE STATE :
OF NEW JERSEY :

This matter was opened before the Professional Counselor Examiners Committee (hereinafter "the Committee") of the New Jersey State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners (hereinafter "the Board") upon review of Ms. Covert's application for licensure as a Professional Counselor. Ms. Covert disclosed in her application that she has been working as a counselor in a for-profit setting under the supervision of Lani Moore, LPC. Ms. Moore stated that Ms. Covert completed 4,750 hours of supervision at Carenet Christian Counseling (a for-profit setting).

Having reviewed the entire record, it appears to the Committee that the applicant has engaged in the unlicensed practice of professional

counseling in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:8B-39(a) as she does not hold any license which would entitle her to provide such services in a for-profit setting in New Jersey.

It appearing that the applicant desires to resolve this matter without further proceedings, and the Committee finding this Consent Order to be adequately protective of the public interest, and other good cause appearing;

IT IS THEREFORE ON THIS 11th DAY OF July, 2007

ORDERED:

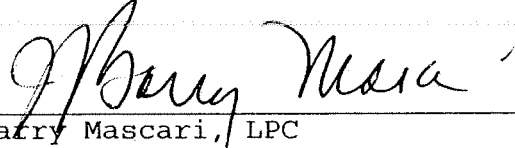
1. Ms. Covert shall immediately cease and desist from offering or engaging in professional counseling in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:8B-39(a) unless and until she is licensed by the Committee or otherwise licensed or certified in the State of New Jersey to provide mental health counseling or engage in professional counseling practice pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:8B-48.

2. None of supervised hours performed by Ms. Covert in any for-profit setting shall count toward the mandatory hours of supervised experience required for licensure as a Professional Counselor.

3. The applicant shall pay a civil penalty in the amount of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00). Payment shall be by certified check or money order, payable to the "State of ^{New} Jersey" and sent to Elaine DeMars, Executive Director, Professional Counselor Examiners Committee, P.O. Box 45044, Newark, New Jersey 07101. The

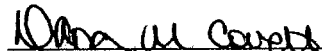
civil penalty shall be paid within ten (10) days of the entry of the within order.

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EXAMINERS



J. Barry Mascari, LPC
President

I have read the above Order and I understand and agree to abide by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Professional Counselor Examiners Committee of the State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners to enter this Order.



Dana M. Covert