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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF	:	
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CONRAD DEMASTER, LCSW	:	Administrative Action
	:	CONSENT ORDER
Certified/Licensed to	:	
Practice Social Work in	:	
the State of New Jersey	:	

This matter was opened to the State Board of Social Work Examiners ("Board") upon receipt of information from a former friend, J.C., of respondent Conrad DeMaster ("respondent"), a licensed clinical social worker ("LCSW"). J.C. alleged that respondent breached client confidentiality by discussing his clients, one in particular, with his friends on social occasions. The Enforcement Bureau conducted an investigation, which included interviewing a witness who J.C. claimed also observed the alleged breach of confidentiality. On October 20, 1999, respondent and his attorney, Leon Piechta, Esq., appeared for an investigative inquiry before the Board.

Having reviewed the entire record, including respondent's

testimony and the investigative report, it appears to the Board that respondent breached the confidentiality of one of his clients in violation of N.J.A.C 13:44G-12.3.

It appearing that the respondent desires to resolve this matter without further proceedings, and the Board finding the entry of the Consent Order to be in the public interest,

IT IS ON THIS 19th DAY OF *January* 1999, 2000
HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT

1. Respondent is hereby reprimanded for his breach of client confidentiality.

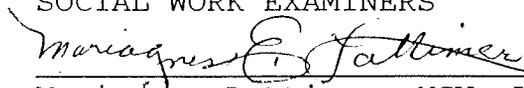
2. Respondent is hereby assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 for his violation of N.J.A.C 13:44G-12.3. Said penalty shall be paid by certified check or money order made payable to the State of New Jersey and submitted to the Leslie Aronson, Executive Director, State Board of Social Work Examiners, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, New Jersey 07101 by no later than February 14, 2000.

3. Respondent is hereby assessed the costs of this investigation in the amount of \$1,259.00. Said costs shall be paid by certified check or money order made payable to the State of New Jersey and submitted to the Leslie Aronson, Executive Director, State Board of Social Work Examiners, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, New Jersey 07101 by no later than February 14, 2000.

4. Respondent shall successfully complete six hours of continuing education concerning ethics and confidentiality, which courses shall be completed within six months of the entry of the within Consent Order. These courses are in addition to the

regularly required continuing education hours. Prior to taking the course/courses, respondent shall obtain from the Board approval of the course/courses. Respondent shall also be required to submit to the Board written proof of successful completion of the required course work.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF
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Mariagnes Lattimer, MSW, LCSW
President

I have read the within Consent Order and understand its terms. I hereby consent to its entry and to be bound by the Consent Order's terms.



Conrad DeMaster, LCSW