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

IN THE MATTER OF:

KENNETH J. COCHRANE, Ph.D.
(UNLICENSED)

Administrative Action

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Psychological Examiners ("Board") upon receipt of a complaint from patient J.H. disclosing that Kenneth J. Cochrane, Ph.D. may have engaged in the unlicensed practice of psychology in this State in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:14B-1 et seq. The Board conducted an investigation of the matter which included an investigative inquiry attended by the respondent on June 11, 2001. Dr. Cochrane candidly acknowledged that he provided professional psychological services in New Jersey notwithstanding he did not hold a license to do so. Further, Dr. Cochrane testified that he is a licensed psychologist in the State of New York; that he made application for licensure in

New Jersey and was issued on the basis of his New York license a one-year temporary permit for the unsupervised practice of psychology in this State on February 26, 1996; that he accepted a position as a psychologist at the Center for Personal Recovery at Raritan Bay Medical Center (Center) on May 9, 1996; that he failed to submit a work sample for an oral examination in this State prior to the expiration of his temporary permit on February 26, 1997; and that, in addition to his New York practice, he continued to see a small number of patients at the Center and at a private office in New Jersey subsequent to the expiration of his temporary permit.

Dr. Cochrane also provided to the Board mitigating circumstances in partial explanation for his failure to obtain a license in New Jersey before providing psychological services. These circumstances related to difficulties in his personal life including a daughter who was hospitalized several times, failed professional ventures in New York, and extenuating financial problems.

The parties being desirous of resolving this matter without recourse to formal proceedings in the Superior Court of New Jersey for the unlicensed practice of psychology and Dr. Cochrane voluntarily submitting to the jurisdiction of the Board for the purpose of entering the within Order, and for good cause shown;

IT IS ON THIS 15TH DAY OF *October*, 2001,

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. Kenneth J. Cochrane, Ph.D. shall cease and desist from engaging in the practice of psychology as defined in N.J.S.A. 45:14B-2(b), including any representation that he is a licensed practicing psychologist in this State. Further, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:42-1.6, Dr. Cochrane shall not be eligible to be employed in an exempt setting as defined in or to qualify for practice under N.J.S.A. 45:14B-6 except by further order of this Board.

2. Dr. Cochrane shall make restitution to the patient J.H. for fees paid in the amount of \$1,300.00. Such restitution shall be paid by certified check or money order made payable in the name of the patient and submitted to the Board at 124 Halsey Street, 6th Floor, Newark, New Jersey 07102, no later than sixty ~~(60)~~ ⁹⁰ days from the entry date of this Order.

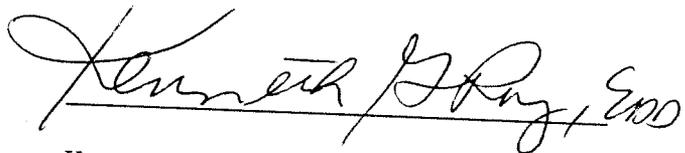
3. Dr. Cochrane shall be assessed a civil penalty for the unlicensed practice of psychology in the amount of \$10,000.00, the entire amount of which shall be stayed as long as Dr. Cochrane complies with all other terms and conditions of this Order. In the event Dr. Cochrane fails to comply or violates any provision of this Order, the entire amount of the assessed penalty shall become immediately due and payable.

4. Dr. Cochrane shall pay the costs of the stenographic services provided at the investigative inquiry on June 11, 2001. He shall be advised of the amount of these costs by letter from Mr.

Paul Brush, Executive Director of the Board, and he shall submit the stated amount of the costs no later than thirty (30) days from the date of Mr. Brush's letter.

5. Dr. Cochrane shall not be permitted to submit a work sample for the purpose of pursuing licensure in this State by way oral examination any sooner than one year from the entry date of this Order and until the restitution has been paid as ordered herein.

6. In the event the Board receives any information after the entry of this Order disclosing that Dr. Cochrane has engaged in the unlicensed practice of psychology in this State, he shall be deemed a subsequent offender. Any such violation will result in an application in Superior Court by the Attorney General for enforcement of this Order, an injunction, and fines.



Kenneth G. Roy, Ed.D., Chair
Board of Psychological Examiners

I have read and understand the within Order and agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the Board for the purpose of entering this Order. I further agree to be bound by the terms of the within Order.



Kenneth J. Cochrane, Ph.D.

Compliance For Kenneth Cochrane

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From: Board Violation: (none)

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