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

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IN THE MATTER OF

DAVID WATRAL  
License No. 1854

Administrative Action

CONSENT ORDER FOR  
TEMPORARY SURRENDER  
OF LICENSE

PRACTICING PSYCHOLOGY  
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Psychological Examiners (hereinafter "the Board") upon receipt of information that: a criminal complaint was filed against Respondent, David Watral, Ph.D. on October 4, 2004. Specifically, it has been alleged that on or about September 30, 2004 David Watral knowingly and willfully possessed material which contained at least three images of child pornography as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 2256 which were shipped and transported by interstate and foreign

commence, including by computer in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252A(a)(5)(B). On November 15, 2004, respondent appeared without counsel, at an investigative inquiry into the matter held by the Board. Dr. Watral informed the investigative committee that he is represented by Assistant Federal Public Defender, Lori Koch, but she was not able to appear. Dr. Watral also took the Fifth Amendment against self-incrimination and thus declined to testify regarding the circumstances concerning the federal charges filed against him. He informed the committee that he had been working on a part-time basis since September 11, 2001 and was involved in review of social security cases and acted as a consultant for the New Jersey Division of Youth and Family Services until September 2004. He also testified that once the news of the criminal complaint was released, he was advised by Social Security that his future appointments were cancelled. Thus as of October 6, 2004, Dr. Watral has not practiced psychology and furtherl advised that he has no intent to engage in the practice of psychology until the criminal matter is resolved.

It appearing that respondent desires to resolve this matter on an interim basis without admissions and for good cause shown;

IT IS ON THIS 7<sup>th</sup> DAY OF February, 2005

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. Respondent shall temporarily and voluntarily surrender his license to practice psychology to the Board immediately upon acknowledging acceptance of this consent order by executing his signature herein. Respondent shall immediately return to the Board his wall certificate and certificate of registration for the current biennial renewal period along with this consent order. These documents shall be returned to the attention

of Elaine DeMars, Managing Executive Director, P.O. Box 45017, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey 07101.

2. Respondent shall cease and desist from the practice of psychology until the federal criminal matter has been decided and completely resolved, <sup>i.e., through the completion\*</sup> The Board reserves the right to continue the investigation into this matter and to take disciplinary action against the respondent if so warranted.

\* of the adjudication of guilt or innocence, but not as a possible condition of sentence  
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NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS

By: Victoria Jeffers, Ph.D.  
Victoria Jeffers, Ph.D.  
Board President

I have read and understand the within Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.

David Watral / 1-21-05  
David Watral, Ph.D.

This order is agreed to as to form and entry.

Lori Koch, AFD / 1-21-05  
Lori Koch, Asst. Federal Public Defender

Compliance For David M. Watral, Ph.D.

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From: Board Violation: (none)

Complaint #	Docket #	Cause #	State	Start	End	Action
Practicing Psychologist license #355I00185400:						
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