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OF THE STATE BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND  
FAMILY THERAPY EXAMINERS

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IN THE MATTER OF THE	:	
LICENSURE OF	:	
	:	Administrative Action
<b>CARL WILLIAMS</b>	:	
	:	CONSENT ORDER GRANTING
TO PRACTICE ALCOHOL AND DRUG	:	LICENSURE TO PRACTICE
COUNSELING IN THE STATE OF	:	CLINICAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG
NEW JERSEY	:	COUNSELING

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This matter was opened before the Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee of the New Jersey State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners (hereinafter "the Committee"), upon review of Mr. Williams' application for licensure pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:2D-16. In his application for licensure as an alcohol and drug counselor, Mr. Williams disclosed his criminal history, including a conviction for felony/murder in 1976.

Mr. Williams appeared pro se before the Committee on April 10, 2006 to discuss his criminal history and work experience. During his testimony he discussed his criminal history and the successful rehabilitation he has undergone since 1986. He testified about his career as an alcohol and drug counselor and that presently he is

employed as an Associate Director for the Institute for Human Development in Atlantic City.

Mr. Williams testified that in 1994 he applied for and was granted a certification from the New Jersey State Board of Social Work Examiners. He testified that he has not renewed his social work certification because he has limited his practice to alcohol and drug counseling and was previously certified by the Addiction Professionals Certification Board of New Jersey. However, the applicant acknowledged that when he completed the application in 1994 for certification by the New Jersey State Board of Social Work Examiners, he failed to truthfully answer the criminal history question and stated in that application that he had never been convicted of a crime. Mr. Williams testified that he failed to truthfully answer the criminal history question on the social work application because he feared that his application would be denied because of his criminal history. The applicant testified that through his education as an alcohol and drug counselor, he has learned that he must honestly deal with his past and truthfully answer all questions.

The Committee reviewed the application, letters of recommendation, evidence of successful rehabilitation, success in the field and documentation that Mr. Williams' last criminal conviction was more than twenty years ago. However, the Committee was concerned that Mr. Williams failed to reveal his criminal conviction to the Board of Social Work Examiners and testified that he was remorseful about his past conduct because his conduct hurt his mother without grasping the impact of his crime on the victim, the victim's family and society. The Committee having reviewed all of the above factors

and finding that the following disposition of this matter is adequately protective of the public, and other good cause appearing;

IT IS THEREFORE ON THIS 27<sup>th</sup> DAY OF October, 2006

ORDERED:

1. Mr. Williams shall be granted a license to practice alcohol and drug counseling.

2. Respondent is reprimanded pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b) for his act of misrepresentation or deception in failing to disclose his criminal convictions on his application for certification by the New Jersey State Board of Social Work Examiners.

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By: Edward Reading  
Committee Chair, LCADC

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

  
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Carl Williams