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DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR EXAMINERS  
COMMITTEE OF THE STATE BOARD OF  
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE :  
SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF : Administrative Action  
THE LICENSE OF :  
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**CHARLES DAVIS** :  
**License No. 37PC00203000** : CONSENT ORDER OF VOLUNTARY  
: SURRENDER OF LICENSE TO PRACTICE  
TO PRACTICE PROFESSIONAL : PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING  
COUNSELING IN THE :  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY :  
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This matter was opened before the Professional Counselor Examiners Committee of the New Jersey State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners (hereinafter "the Committee"), upon review of information that respondent engaged in a dual relationship with client R.M., by accepting a used car, cell phone, and money from client R.M. and discussed his personal problems with R.M. The Committee also received information that respondent proctored divinity courses for R.M. and signed his name on the proctor form as "Dr. Charles M. Davis" and described his occupation as a psychologist.

Respondent appeared pro se on October 5, 2006 before the Committee and testified that he "coached" R.M. about career options and helped her develop strategies for leaving the ministry. Respondent testified that he did not maintain records from his

sessions with R.M. because he was not engaging in professional counseling with R.M. However, respondent admitted that he submitted insurance claims for treatment of R.M. Respondent also admitted that he accepted a used car and a cell phone from R.M. and that he did not pay the cell phone bill for his usage of the cell phone. Respondent further admitted that he discussed personal problems with R.M. regarding his mother. Respondent testified that he received his Ph.D. from an institution that is not regionally accredited.

The Committee also reviewed copies of Proctored Assessment Modules which were signed by "Dr." Charles M. Davis for R.M. in which he listed his occupation as a psychologist. Additionally, the Committee reviewed insurance records which stated that Charles M. Davis was paid for treating R.M. for "adjustment reaction with mixed," "mental /nervous," "CPT 309.28."

The Committee has reviewed respondent's experience in the field of professional counseling, the documents provided to the Committee and respondent's testimony before the Committee on October 5, 2006. The Committee has also considered respondent's lack of acknowledgment of his errors regarding his failure to maintain client records, involvement engaging in a conflicting relationship with a former client and his misrepresentation of his credentials. The Committee found respondent's testimony lacked credibility because of numerous instances in which he provided conflicting testimony. Further, the Committee found his conduct was misguided, unprofessional and unethical.

Respondent at this time has agreed to the voluntary surrender of his license to practice professional counseling in the State of New Jersey in accordance with the terms of this Consent Order. The Committee finds the terms of this Consent Order to be adequately protective of the public interest, and respondent desiring to resolve this matter without further proceedings;

IT IS THEREFORE ON THIS 29 DAY OF March 2007  
ORDERED: 29 (C) March 29 Ed

1. Charles Davis shall immediately surrender his license to practice professional counseling in the State of New Jersey to be deemed a suspension with prejudice precluding respondent from applying for reinstatement of license and respondent shall cease and desist from such practice. Respondent shall deliver his original wall certificate and his license and wallet size credential (expiration date November 30, 2008) to Ms. Elaine DeMars, Executive Director of the Professional Counselor Committee, P.O. Box 45044, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey 07101 within five (5) days of the filing of this Consent Order.

2. Respondent shall cease and desist from engaging in any mental health counseling in the State of New Jersey, including but not limited to professional counseling and/or psychotherapy and/or volunteer or uncompensated counseling. Respondent shall cease and desist from engaging in any mental health counseling in any exempt settings.

PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR EXAMINERS  
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BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY  
EXAMINERS

J. Barry Mascari  
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.

Charles M. Davis  
Charles Davis