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BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY EXAMINERS  
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
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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  
THE LICENSE OF

Administrative Action

PENNY L. CLARK, LPC  
LICENSE No. 37PC00319000

CONSENT ORDER

TO PRACTICE PROFESSIONAL  
COUNSELING IN THE STATE  
OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened before the Professional Counselor Examiners Committee (hereinafter "the Committee") of the New Jersey State Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners (hereinafter "the Board") upon review of Ms. Marci Kolson's application for licensure as a Professional Counselor. Ms. Kolson disclosed in her application that she is not licensed and has been working as a counselor in a for-profit setting under the supervision of Ms. Penny L. Clark, LPC. Ms. Clark signed Documentation of Supervised Counseling Experience, dated March 15, 2007

stating that she supervised counseling services performed by Ms. Kolson. Further Ms. Kolson submitted a letter to the Committee, dated June 1, 2007 stating that Ms. Clark supervised one thousand (1,000) hours of direct and indirect counseling performed by Ms. Kolson at Caring Family Community Services in Manalapan, New Jersey.

It appears to the Committee that Ms. Clark, as Ms. Kolson's supervisor, aided and abetted the unlicensed practice of professional counseling. Ms. Clark permitted and supervised Ms. Kolson's counseling in a for-profit setting despite Ms. Kolson's lack of an associate professional license which would have entitled Ms. Kolson to provide such services in a for-profit setting in New Jersey. Having reviewed the entire record, it appears to the Committee that respondent has aided and abetted the unlicensed practice of professional counseling in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(n) and N.J.S.A. 45:8B-39(a). It appearing that the respondent desires to resolve this matter without further proceedings, and the Committee finding this Consent Order to be adequately protective of the public interest, and other good cause appearing;

IT IS THEREFORE ON THIS 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2007.

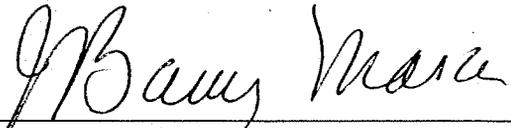
**ORDERED:**

1. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from aiding and abetting the unlicensed practice of professional counseling, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(n) and N.J.S.A. 45:8B-39(a).
2. Respondent is reprimanded for aiding and abetting the

unlicensed practice of professional counseling, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(n) and N.J.S.A. 45:8B-39(a).

3. Respondent shall be liable to pay a civil penalty in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00). Payment shall be by certified check or money order, payable to the "State of New Jersey" and sent to Elaine DeMars, Executive Director, Professional Counselor Examiners Committee, P.O. Box 45044, Newark, New Jersey 07101. The civil penalty shall be paid within ninety (90) days of the entry of the within order. Providing that respondent complies with the terms of the Consent Order and provides documentation within ninety (90) days that all of the therapists that she is currently supervising at Caring Family Community Services are licensed, the civil penalty shall be stayed.

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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.



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Penny Clark, LPC