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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR EXAMINERS  
COMMITTEE OF THE STATE BOARD OF  
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY  
EXAMINERS

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IN THE MATTER OF	:	
	:	Administrative Action
<b>AMY CRAWFORD, M.A.</b>	:	
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ENGAGED IN THE UNLICENSED	:	
PRACTICE OF PROFESSIONAL	:	CONSENT ORDER
COUNSELING IN THE STATE OF	:	
NEW JERSEY	:	

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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 allegations that Ms. Amy Crawford ("respondent") engaged in the unlicensed practice of professional counseling in the State of New Jersey.

Respondent submitted a letter to the Committee, dated May 16, 2011 stating that in 2007 she graduated from Chestnut Hill

College in Pennsylvania with a Master's degree in Clinical and Counseling Psychology and completed additional course work for licensure from Caldwell College in 2008. Respondent acknowledged that from August 2007 through 2008 she worked in New Jersey as a counselor for the non-profit organization Liquid Church.

Respondent submitted a resume stating she provided counseling at Liquid Church for approximately thirty (30) clients over the course of one year for issues including spirituality, depression, anger, abuse and addictions. Respondent further stated that beginning in 2008 she engaged in "Life Coaching." Respondent asserted that she did not desire to continue to do traditional counseling work but instead worked "with clients on day-to-day things like motivation, nutrition, accountability with life goals, etc" and that she required clients to sign a document stating that she was not providing counseling services. However, information provided to the Committee stated that from 2008 until 2010 respondent worked as a private clinician in New Jersey and that she specialized in women's issues, anxiety, depression, spirituality, and trauma. Respondent states that in 2011 she moved to Pennsylvania and is currently not engaged in any counseling services.

Having reviewed the entire record, it appears to the Committee that the respondent engaged in the unlicensed practice of professional and/or associate counseling, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:8B-39(a), by engaging in the private practice of

associate or professional counseling prior to issuance of any license entitling her to provide such services in a for-profit setting in New Jersey.

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 16<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF November, 2011

**ORDERED:**

1. Respondent shall cease and desist from offering to engage in or engaging in professional and/or associate counseling in New Jersey, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:8B-39(a), unless and until she is licensed by the Committee or otherwise licensed or certified in the State of New Jersey to provide mental health counseling or to engage in professional counseling and/or associate counseling pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:8B-48.

2. Respondent shall pay a civil penalty in the amount of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00). Provided that respondent complies with the terms of the Consent Order and does not seek licensure in the State of New Jersey, the civil penalty shall be stayed.

3. Simultaneous with any application for licensure as a professional and/or associate counselor in the State of New Jersey, respondent shall pay the civil penalty. Respondent shall appear before the Committee, if so requested by the Committee, at

which time the burden shall be on respondent to demonstrate that she has complied with the terms of the within Consent Order, has not engaged in the practice of professional counseling in the State of New Jersey after the filing of this Order and is fit and competent to engage in the practice of professional counseling.

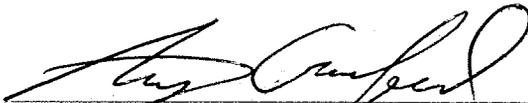
4. In the event respondent applies for licensure in the State of New Jersey, none of the hours performed by respondent in any for-profit setting, prior to licensure as an associate counselor, shall count toward the mandatory hours of supervised experience required for licensure as a Professional Counselor.

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THERAPY EXAMINERS



William F. Green, M.S., LRC  
Chair

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.

  
Amy Crawford, M.A.