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

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF :

Administrative Action

**REBECCA K. ASPRAY, LCSW**  
**License No. 44SC05469800**

**SUMMARY ORDER**  
**OF SUSPENSION**

TO PRACTICE CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK  
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Social Work Examiners ("Board") upon receipt of information revealing the following:

1. Respondent, Rebecca K. Aspray, was initially licensed to practice clinical social work in the State of New Jersey on June 30, 2011.
2. On July 12, 2013, respondent was convicted of one count of theft of movable property in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:20-3A and one count of failure to give controlled dangerous substance to police in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-10C, and sentenced in Somerset County Superior Court to one (1) day in jail, 24 months of probation, 50 hours of community service, and fees and costs.

3. On May 7, 2014, respondent was arrested by the Hopewell Township Police Department, and charged with one count of possession of a controlled dangerous substance or analog in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-10A(1), one count of distribution of a prescription legend drug in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-10.5, and one count of possession of drug paraphernalia in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:36-2.

4. Respondent did not renew her license to practice clinical social work prior to its expiration on August 31, 2014.

5. Respondent's failure to submit her biennial renewal in New Jersey in 2014 resulting in a lapsed license status provides grounds to automatically suspend Respondent's license to practice social work in the State of New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-7.1(b).

**ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 8th day of April 2015,**

**ORDERED that:**

1. Respondent's license to practice clinical social work in the State of New Jersey shall be, and hereby is, suspended by operation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-7.1, without a hearing. Any practice of social work during the period in which she does not hold an active license shall be deemed the unlicensed practice of social work and shall subject respondent to disciplinary action by the Board and referral for any other action permitted by law.

2. In the event that respondent seeks reinstatement of her New Jersey license at any time in the future, then this Order shall require respondent to appear at

an investigative inquiry before the Board or a Committee thereof. At that inquiry, she will have to discuss the resolution of the criminal charges set forth above, and provide evidence to the satisfaction of the Board that she is fit to engage in the practice of clinical social work in New Jersey, and is not suffering from any impairment that would prevent her from providing clinical social work services with reasonable skill and safety. Additionally, the Board reserves the right to deny reinstatement, or, in the event reinstatement is granted, take disciplinary action and place restrictions and/or limitations upon respondent's license to practice clinical social work in the State of New Jersey.

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By:   
Dawn Apgar, Ph.D., LSW, ACSW  
Board Chair