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

IN THE MATTER OF

Melinda McGullam, LCSW
License No. 44SC05316900

Administrative Action

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the State Board of Social Work Examiners ("Board") upon the application of Ariadne DeMarco for an initial license to practice social work. Respondent Melinda McGullam was Ms. DeMarco's supervisor at Aristacare at Whiting, 23 Schoolhouse Road, Whiting, New Jersey for a period beginning October 2012, according to the application submitted to the Board by Ms. DeMarco.

Having considered the entire matter, including the documents submitted by Ms. DeMarco and the respondent explaining Ms. DeMarco's job responsibilities at Aristacare at Whiting, the Board finds that respondent, as Ms. DeMarco's direct supervisor, permitted Ms. DeMarco to engage in functions that were within the scope of practice of social work when Ms. DeMarco had no license to practice, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(n), aiding and abetting the unlicensed practice of social work.

These facts establish a basis for disciplinary action pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(n). It appearing that the respondent desires to resolve this matter without recourse to formal proceedings, and the Board finding the entry of the Consent Order to be in the public interest,

IT IS ON THIS *9th* DAY OF *November* 2016,

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT

1. Respondent shall cease and desist permitting unlicensed persons to provide clinical social work services, and shall ensure that all individuals whom she supervises are properly licensed as required by law.

2. Respondent is hereby assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$500.00 for aiding and abetting the unlicensed clinical practice of Ariadne DeMarco. The penalty shall be paid by certified check or money order made payable to the State of New Jersey and submitted to J. Michael Walker, Executive Director, State Board of Social Work Examiners, PO Box 45033, New Jersey 07101, within fourteen days of the entry of the within Consent Order.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF
SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS


Maureen Braun Scalera, MSW, LCSW
Board Chair

I have read and understand the within Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.


Melinda McGullam, LCSW

Payment Enclosed