

IN THE MATTER OF	*	BEFORE THE
RONALD C. GOMPF, LCSW-C	*	MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF
License No.: 01203	*	SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS
Respondent	*	Case Number: 924
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ORDER LIFTING SUSPENSION

On January 13, 2006, Ronald C. Gompf, LCSW-C, License Number 01203 (the "Respondent") entered into a Consent Order (the "Order") with the Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners (the "Board"). The Order stated that Respondent had violated Maryland Health Occ. Code Ann. § 19-311(4), (5), (6), (7), (11), (12) and (14), as well as Code Md. Regs. tit. 10 § 42.03.03B.

The Order placed Respondent's social work license on suspension for a period of one (1) year, effective thirty (30) days from the date of the Order, with all but sixty (60) days stayed. During the suspension, Respondent was required to complete the following conditions:

- a) Provide Respondent's social work license to the Board;
- b) Provide written documentation that Respondent has enrolled in, or completed, a Board-approved, one-on-one ethics tutorial;
- c) Provide written documentation that Respondent has contracted with a Board-approved supervisor for his probationary period;

- d) Provide written documentation that Respondent's partnership with Social Worker A in Associated Psychotherapists of Maryland has been dissolved and that Social Worker A is no longer a shareholder in the corporation; and
- e) Not engage in any activity or conduct that falls within the jurisdiction of, or is governed by, any Board established by the Maryland Health Occupations Article, as delineated in the Order.

Additionally, the Order provided that there would be no automatic termination of suspension after 60 days, and that Respondent must petition the Board to lift the suspension.

Respondent has complied with the above conditions and has petitioned the Board to terminate his suspension and to reinstate his license in order that he may begin his probation, which is ordered to be two (2) years in duration, pursuant to the Order.

Therefore, it is this 14th day of April, 2006, by a majority of the full authorized membership of the Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners, hereby

ORDERED that the suspension of the Maryland social work license of Ronald C. Gompf, LCSW-C is **LIFTED**; and it is further

ORDERED that Mr. Gompf's Maryland social work license is placed on **PROBATION** for a period of two (2) years pursuant to the all of the conditions

and requirements of the Consent Order dated January 13, 2006; and it is further

ORDERED that in the event that the Board finds for any reason in good faith that Mr. Gompf has violated the Maryland Social Workers Act, Maryland Health Occ. Code Ann. §§ 19-101 *et seq.* (2000 Repl. Vol. & 2003 Supp.) or if Mr. Gompf violates this Order Lifting Suspension by violating any of the conditions of probation as articulated in the Consent Order dated January 13, 2006, the Board, after notification to the Respondent, and an opportunity for a hearing, may take immediate action and may impose any lawful disciplinary sanctions it deems appropriate, including but not limited to revocation or suspension of Mr. Gompf's social work license. The burden of proof for any action brought against Mr. Gompf as a result of a breach of the conditions of this Order Lifting Suspension or the Consent Order dated January 13, 2006 shall be on Mr. Gompf to demonstrate compliance with said orders; and it is further

ORDERED that the terms and conditions of the Consent Order dated January 13, 2006 **remain in full force and effect.** Specifically, during Mr. Gompf's probation, his practice will be supervised as outlined in the Consent Order dated January 13, 2006; and it is further

ORDERED that the conditions and prerequisites for termination of probation as outlined in the Consent Order dated January 13, 2006 are incorporated herein by reference and remain in full force and effect; and it is further

ORDERED that Mr. Gompf shall practice social work in accordance with the Maryland Social Workers Act, in a safe and competent manner, and shall refrain from engaging in the type of activity that led to this disciplinary action. Failure to do so shall constitute a violation of this Order Lifting Suspension; and it is further

ORDERED that any violation of this Order Lifting Suspension shall constitute unprofessional conduct; and it is further

ORDERED that for purposes of public disclosure, as permitted by Maryland State Gov't Code Ann. § 10-617(h) (1999 Repl. Vol. & 2003 Supp.), this document is an order resulting from formal disciplinary action; and it is further

ORDERED that this Order Lifting Suspension is a final order of the Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners and, as such, a Public Document and is reportable to any entity to which the Board is obligated to report, and is disclosable under the Maryland Public Information Act, Maryland State Gov't Code Ann. §§ 10-611 *et seq.* (1999 Repl. Vol. And 2003 Supp.); and it is further

ORDERED that this Order Lifting Suspension shall be effective as of the date that it is signed by the Board.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 14th DAY OF April,
2006.

By:

Yvonne M. Perret, LCSW-C

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Chair
Maryland Board of
Social Work Examiners