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BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

Judy Levy, LCSW-C, Board Chair
Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners
4201 Patterson Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21215

RE: Surrender of License to Practice Social Work
License Number: 12733
Case Number: 2013-1861

Dear Ms. Levy and Members of the Board:

Please be advised that I have decided to **SURRENDER** my license to practice social work in the State of Maryland, License Number.

I understand that I may not give social work advice or treatment to any individual, with or without supervision and/or compensation, cannot counsel, diagnose or provide therapy to people or otherwise engage in the practice of clinical social work, as it is defined in the Social Work Practice Act (the "Act"), Md. Health Occ. Code Ann. ("H.O.") § 19-101 *et seq.* (2009 Repl. Vol. and 2011 Supp.). In other words, I understand that as of the effective date of this Letter of Surrender, the surrender of my license means that I am in the same position as an unlicensed individual.

In addition, I will refrain from identifying myself as a practitioner of social work; I will remove all signs or similar advertisements that indicate authority to practice social work; and I will not use letterhead or business cards indicating authority to practice social work. I understand that this Letter of Surrender is a **PUBLIC** document and on the Board's acceptance becomes a **FINAL ORDER** of the Board.

My decision to surrender my license to practice social work in the State of Maryland has been prompted by an investigation of my licensure by the Maryland State Board of Social Work Examiners (the "Board") and the Office of the Attorney General and resulting charges under the following provisions of the Act, H.O. 19-311:

Subject to the hearing provisions of § 19-312 of this subtitle, the Board may deny a license to any applicant, fine a licensee, reprimand any licensee, place any licensee on probation, or suspend or revoke a license if the applicant or licensee:

- (4) Commits any act of gross negligence, incompetence, or misconduct in the practice of social work;
- (6) Engages in a course of conduct that is inconsistent with generally accepted professional standards in the practice of social work; [and]
- (7) Violates any provision of this title or regulations governing the practice of social work adopted and published by this Board;

The charges allege that I violated the following regulations:

COMAR 10.42.03.03B A licensee may not: (3) Exploit a relationship with a client for personal advantage or satisfaction[.]

The investigation was based on two complaints to the Board, both alleging that I engaged in sexual misconduct with two clients. According to the first complaint, I made sexual innuendos to Client A and exposed my genitals during therapy sessions. A second complaint alleged that I made inappropriate sexual comments to Client B during therapy sessions. Client A pressed criminal charges against me and on October 23, 2013, in the Circuit Court for Wicomico County, I was found guilty of assault-2nd degree. I was sentenced to six months in jail, with all but one day suspended, and two years of supervised probation.

As a result of the Board's investigation, on June 27, 2013, the Board issued an Order for Summary Suspension of my license to practice social work. The Board also issued a Notice of Intent to Revoke my license on October 11, 2013.

I have decided to surrender my license to practice social work in the State of Maryland to resolve this matter and to avoid prosecution of the charges against me by the Board. I wish to make it clear that I have voluntarily, knowingly and freely chosen to submit this Letter of Surrender. I acknowledge that the Office of the Attorney General has legally sufficient evidence to prove by a preponderance of the evidence at an administrative hearing that I violated the act as detailed herein.

I understand that by executing this Letter of Surrender I am waiving any right to contest any charges that would issue from the Board's investigative findings and its vote to issue charges in a formal evidentiary hearing at which I would have had the right to counsel, to confront witnesses, to give testimony, to

call witnesses on my own behalf and all other substantive and procedural protections provided by law, including the right to appeal.

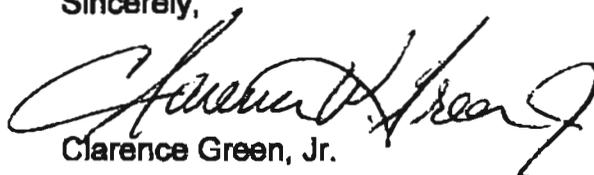
I acknowledge that on or before the effective date of this Letter of Surrender, I shall present to the Board my Maryland clinical social work license, including any renewal certificates and wallet-sized renewal cards.

I understand that the Board will advise the Association of State Boards of Social Work, the National Practitioner's Data Bank, and the Health Care Integrity Data Bank, and any other required entities of this Letter of Surrender, and in response to any inquiry, will advise that I have surrendered my license in lieu of disciplinary action under the Act as a resolution of the matters pending against me. I also understand that, in the event that I would apply for licensure in any form in any other state or jurisdiction, that this Letter of Surrender, and all underlying documents, may be released or published by the Board to the same extent as a Final Order that would result from disciplinary action pursuant to Md. State Gov't Code Ann. § 10-611 *et seq.* (2009 Repl. Vol. and 2011 Supp.). Finally, I understand that this Letter of Surrender is considered a disciplinary action by the Board.

I further recognize and agree that by submitting this Letter of Surrender my license will remain permanently surrendered.

I acknowledge that I may not rescind this Letter of Surrender in part or in its entirety for any reason whatsoever. Finally, I wish to make clear that I have consulted with an attorney before signing this Letter of Surrender. I understand both the nature of the Board's actions and this Letter of Surrender fully. I acknowledge that I understand and comprehend the language, meaning and terms and effect of this Letter of Surrender. I make this decision knowingly and voluntarily.

Sincerely,



Clarence Green, Jr.

Read and approved:



David Moore, Esq.
Attorney for Clarence Green, Jr.

NOTARY SEAL

STATE OF MARYLAND
CITY/COUNTY:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 31 day of October, 2013, before me, a Notary Public of the State and City/County aforesaid personally appeared Clarence Green, Jr. and declared and affirmed under the penalties of perjury that signing the foregoing Letter of Surrender was his voluntary act and deed.

Ann Marie Nolan
NOTARY PUBLIC
Wicomico County, Maryland
My Commission Expires 8/28/2017



ACCEPTANCE

On behalf of the Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners, on this 8TH day of NOVEMBER, 2013, I accept Clarence Green's PUBLIC SURRENDER of his license to practice social work in the State of Maryland.



Judy Levy, LCSW-C, Board Chair
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