

IN THE MATTER OF
LYNETTE LONG, Ph. D.
LICENSE NO. 1744

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BEFORE THE MARYLAND
STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS
OF PSYCHOLOGISTS

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CONSENT ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT

Background

On August 11, 1997, Lynette Long, Ph.D., License No. 1744 (the "Respondent"), voluntarily surrendered her license to the Maryland Board of Examiners of Psychologists (the "Board") (see Letter of Surrender attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein). On August 8, 2000, the Respondent submitted a petition for reinstatement of her license to practice psychology. This petition was supported by an evaluation report from S. Michael Plaut, Ph.D. Dr. Plaut's evaluation concluded, without making any specific recommendation, that the Respondent was forthright, sincere and cognizant of the issues involved in her breach of professional standards. The Respondent and the Board subsequently agreed to the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On August 11, 1997, the Respondent signed a Letter of Surrender in which she acknowledged her unprofessional, incompetent and unethical conduct in becoming engaged in sexual and exploitative relationships with two patients.

2. The Respondent has met all of the conditions set forth in the Letter of Surrender that permitted her to petition for reinstatement of her license.

a. Dr. Long has attended regular ongoing psychotherapy with a licensed practitioner, Joan B. Gray, Ph.D., and has provided the Board with a summary report of the psychotherapy.

b. The Respondent has submitted to a psychological evaluation by a Board-approved practitioner, Dr. S. Michael Plaut. Dr. Plaut has provided the Board with an evaluation report concluding that Dr. Long has gained great insight into her professional and ethical violations, but still has a lingering sense of entitlement. Dr. Plaut recommends that these concerns be disclosed to Dr. Long's clinical supervisor.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Respondent has met all the prerequisite conditions for reinstatement and may practice psychology under conditions of probation set forth in the Consent Order of Reinstatement.

ORDER

With the agreement of the Respondent, it is this 10th day of November, 2000, by a majority of a quorum of the Board, hereby,

ORDERED that the Respondent's license be reinstated and placed on **PROBATION** for an indefinite period, subject to the following conditions:

1. The Respondent shall, at her expense, work under supervision of a licensed psychologist approved by the Board. For the first year, this supervision shall be on a weekly basis and for the remainder of the probationary period it shall be on a monthly basis. The Board shall provide the supervisor with a copy of the Respondent's Charges, Letter of Surrender and Dr. Plaut's evaluation report. The supervisor, selected from one of the names listed below, shall provide the Board with quarterly reports.

1) Dr. Peter Fagen

2) Dr. Melinda Fitting

2. The Respondent shall, at her expense, enroll in and successfully complete an intensive ethics course related to boundary issues offered by Dr. Paul Ephross following the Board's approval of the course, or be a comparable Board-approved course offered by another practitioner. And be it further, Note ①-

ORDERED that in the event that the Board finds for any good faith reason that the Respondent has violated any of the foregoing conditions of probation herein, or in the event that the Board finds for any good faith reason that the Respondent has committed a violation of Title 18 of the Health Occupations Article or regulations adopted thereunder, the Board may charge the Respondent with violating this Consent Order of Reinstatement, and following a hearing held in accordance with the Maryland Psychologists Act, Health Occ. Art., Section 18-315 and the Maryland Administrative Procedure Act, State Gov't Art., Sections 10-201 *et seq.*, may reprimand, suspend, revoke, or fine the Respondent, or place additional conditions of probation on her license. And be it further,

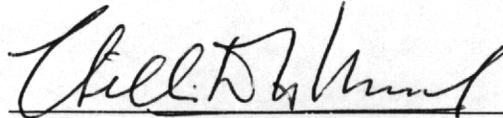
ORDERED that at the end of three years following the date this Consent Order has been executed by the Board, the Respondent may petition the Board for modification of the probationary conditions set forth in this Consent Order and/or release from all probationary conditions provided that the Board has received favorable supervisory reports and the Respondent has complied with all conditions of probation.. The Board may grant or deny the petition, or set other conditions of probation at its sole discretion. And be it further,

Note ①- I have already completed this course and you have recieved written notification from Dr. Paul Ephross.

Amelia Long
12/1/2000

ORDERED that this is a final order of the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists and as such is a public document pursuant to State Gov't Art., Section 10-617(h).

10 November 2000
Date



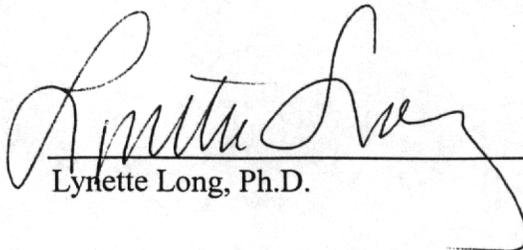
William D.A. Musick, Ph.D.
Chair, Board of Examiners of Psychologists

CONSENT

By signing this Consent, I hereby admit to the truth of the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and agree to be bound by the foregoing Consent Order of Reinstatement and its conditions.

I, Lynette Long, Ph.D., have read this Consent Order of Reinstatement in its entirety. I have been given the opportunity to consult an attorney of my choosing to review each and every part of this Consent Order. I understand this Consent Order and voluntarily and without reservation agree to sign it with full comprehension of its meaning and effect.

12/1/2000
Date



Lynette Long, Ph.D.

VERIFICATION

STATE OF MARYLAND
COUNTY/CITY OF Montgomery

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 1 day of December, 2000, before me, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland and County/City aforesaid, personally appeared Lynette Long, Ph.D., and made oath in due form that the forgoing Consent was her voluntary act and deed.

Susan M Carter
Notary Public
My commission expires: _____

SUSAN M. CARTER
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF MARYLAND
My Commission Expires March 20, 2001