

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF LICENSED PROFESSIONAL
COUNSELORS



In Re:)
Elayne Samarkos, LPC) CONSENT ORDER
RESPONDENT)

A complaint having been filed against Respondent with the North Carolina Board of Licensed Professional Counselors, and after investigation, the Board having found probable cause to believe that Respondent had violated a provision of the North Carolina Licensed Professional Counselor’s Act, Chapter 90 Article 24 of the North Carolina General Statutes. Although she does not admit to any violation of these Statutes or of the American Counseling Association Code of Ethics, Respondent has agreed that it would serve the ends of justice that a Consent Order be entered which will resolve this matter without a formal hearing, and to that end, with the consent of all parties, the Board hereby enters the following Order:

IT IS, BY CONSENT, HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED;

1. Respondent can continue to provide counseling services, but must do so under the following terms and conditions:

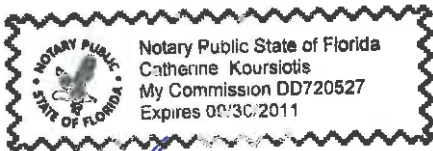
A. Respondent will locate a supervisor who meets the Board’s requirements for an approved supervisor, and will submit the same to the Board for approval within 15 days of the date of this order.

B. Once approved, Respondent will receive 1 hour of supervision per 40 client contact hours while engaged in the practice of counseling. Respondent will notify the Board if she ceases her practice of counseling. Respondent will be under this active supervision for 12 months.

C. The Supervisor will report to the Board every quarter.

- D. The Supervisor will emphasize the importance of professional boundaries.
2. Respondent shall maintain the needed continuing education hours for license renewal. Respondent shall also obtain 12 additional hours of continuing education as it relates to dual relationships.
 3. Respondent will have complied with this order once the final supervision report is received. Until that time, her license status will be probation, under supervision.
 4. Respondent's failure to comply with the terms of the consent order can lead to further disciplinary action.

This 30 day of June 2010.



Catherine Koursiotis

CONSENTED TO:

Elayne Samarkos
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Christine Greene
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Chairperson, NCBLPC