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Jeff Pearcy, MPA, Executive Director

October 15, 1999

Re:

Complaint #9806

Complainant: Jef Pearcy

Respondent: Joseph F. Van Beek, CADCIII

To:

Board of Directors

Wisconsin Certification Board, Inc.

The Executive Committee having received the results of the investigation into the alleged misconduct of and in conformity with its rules now makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

The respondent:

- has been a CADCIII since 2/19/82.
- pleaded no contest and was found guilty of two separate Class C felonies counts of Burglary on 3/19/1998;
- 3. received a withheld 5 yr. Sentence, probation, restitution, court costs, and 1 year in local jail.
- 4. was employed at Brown County Human Services at the time of his arrest for the original offences. The respondent is no longer employed at Brown County.
- 5. on 9/2/98, pleaded no contest and was convicted of Brown County ordinance 31.02, Disorderly Conduct. This was reduced from a criminal misdemeanor.
- 6. had his probation revoked and was sentenced on 8/27/99 to four years in prison The respondent presently resides at the Columbia Correctional Institution in Portage, WI.
- 7. was under the care of a psychiatrist, John R. Stam, MD, and is seeking inactive status due to medical reasons.

CONCLUSION

The discussion area of Rule 3.1 of the Counselor Code of Conduct indicates that theft is an infraction of the Rule that can result in a sanction. Therefore, the Executive Committee concludes that the respondent, Joseph Van Beek, had breached the following Rule of the Counselor Code of Conduct (Rev. 1996):

Rule 3.1—A conviction for any felony or misdemeanor relating to the counselor's ability to practice the substance abuse counseling profession shall be grounds for disciplinary action.

DECISION

Therefore, pursuant to Section V(A)(3) of the WCB Counselor Code of Conduct, Action by the Executive Committee, Joseph Van Beek's certification as an Alcohol/Drug counselor III (CADCIII) is hereby revoked.

In addition, this revocation of certification negates the respondent's request for inactive status due to medical reasons.

Please be advised of your rights to appeal, hearing, and reinstatement as outlined within the counselor *Code of Conduct*, Sections VI and Section VII.

For the Executive Committee,

Jeff Pearcy

Executive Director

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