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Jeff Percy, MPA, Executive Director

CERTIFICATION BOARD

Re: Complaint #: 2001-03

August 17, 2001

Complainant: Jeff Percy
Wisconsin Certification Board, Inc.

Respondent: David L. Schoonhoven, CADCIH

To: Board of Directors
Wisconsin Certification Board, Inc.

The Executive Committee having received the results of the investigation into the alleged misconduct of David L. Schoonhoven, CADCIH and in conformity with its rules now makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. David L. Schoonhoven acquired his Wisconsin Certification Board (WCB) certification as an alcohol/drug counselor on 12/22/1988;
2. On April 26, 2001, the Marriage and Family Therapist Section of the Wisconsin Examining Board of Social Workers, Marriage & Family Therapists and Professional Counselors found the following Conclusions of Law.
 - a. The respondent constituted a failure to avoid a dual relationship or a relationship that may impair a marriage and family therapist's objectivity or create a conflict of interest, which was in violation of Wis. Adm. Code § SFC 20.02(13); and
 - b. the respondent's conduct of suddenly ending all of his clients' therapy without proper termination was gross negligence in practice in a single instance, and negligence in practice in more than one instance in violation of Wis. Adm. Code § SFC 20.02(22).
3. The respondent stipulated to surrendering his certificate to practice as a marriage and family therapist in the state of Wisconsin.
4. The respondent's last known mailing address and telephone number were N1967 DeWitt Rd, Oosberg, WI 53070 and 920.451.9532;
5. On July 3, 2001, the respondent received the WCB complaint via certified US mail;
6. The respondent continued to practice substance use disorder counseling at Cedar Creek Counseling (CCC). In July, 2001, the respondent was terminated from CCC as a result of not attending his appointments with six of his clients. The respondent did not contact his clients nor the clinic to inform them that he would not attend the sessions; and
7. As of the date of this report, no response to the complaint was received from the respondent; and the respondent was unable to be contacted by telephone.

CONCLUSION

The Executive Committee concludes that the respondent, David L. Schoonhoven, breached the following Rules within the *Counselor Code of Conduct* (Rev. 1996):

Rule 2.2 - A counselor shall not engage in conduct which does not meet the generally accepted standards of practice.

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Rule 2.7 - The counselor shall not discontinue professional services to a client/patient nor shall the counselor abandon the client/patient without facilitating an appropriate therapeutic closure of professional services for the client/patient.

Rule 6.1 - A counselor shall not develop, implement, or maintain exploitative relationships with current or past clients.

Rule 10 - A counselor shall not practice substance abuse counseling during the period of any denial, suspension, revocation, probation, or other restriction or discipline on certification, license, or other authorization to practice issued by any certification authority or any state, province, territory, tribe, or the federal government.

Rule 11.1 - A counselor shall cooperate in any investigation conducted pursuant to this Code of Conduct and a counselor shall not interfere with an investigation or a disciplinary proceeding or attempt to prevent a disciplinary proceeding or other legal action from being filed, prosecuted, or completed. Interference attempts may include but are not limited to:

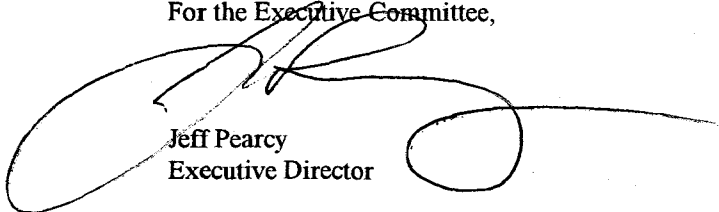
1. the willful misrepresentation of facts before the disciplining authority or its authorized representative;
2. the use of threats or harassment against, or an inducement to, any client/patient or witness in an effort to prevent them from providing evidence in a disciplinary proceeding or any other legal action;
3. the use of threats or harassment against, or an inducement to, any person in an effort to prevent or attempt to prevent a disciplinary proceeding or other legal action from being filed, prosecuted or completed.

DECISION

Pursuant to Section V(A)(3) of the WCB Counselor Code of Conduct, Action by the Executive Committee, David L. Schoonhoven certification as an Alcohol/Drug Abuse Counselor III is hereby Revoked.

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 Percy
Executive Director

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