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**CERTIFICATION BOARD**

Jeff Percy, MPA, Executive Director

Date: August 15, 2003

Re: Complaint #: 2002-13  
Complainant: Pam Haukeness  
Respondent: Tom Curler, CADC III

To: Board of Directors  
Wisconsin Certification Board, Inc.

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

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

Tom Curler:

1. lists his residence at S3625 Water Tower Rd, Falls Creek, WI 54742;
2. has been a Wisconsin Certification Board (WCB) certified alcohol/drug counselor III since 6/21/1985;
3. was terminated from Arbor Place on 2/3/2002;
4. admitted to:
  - o telling Arbor Place client "D.B.": "Maybe we should get together [at a casino]. I will take you out to dinner;"
  - o making three telephone calls to client D.B.;
  - o contacting the Amery Police Dept making a query about client D.B. and identifying himself as a staff member at Arbor place;
  - o not documenting in client D.B.'s medical record any interactions with client D.B nor the police contact; nor did he discuss his queries with his supervisor or client D.B.'s counselor;
  - o not reading the Arbor Place policies when he was hired.
5. was not D.B.'s primary counselor.

**CONCLUSION**

The Executive Committee concludes that Tom Curler attempted to develop a relationship with an Arbor Place client. Therefore, it is determined by the Executive Committee that Tom Curler did breach the following Rule contained within the *WCB Counselor Code of Conduct* (Rev. 1996):

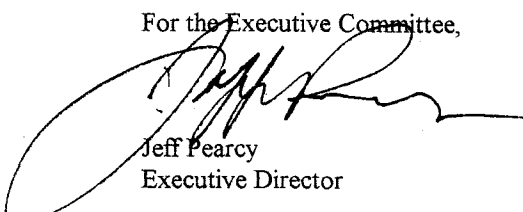
Rule 6.1 A counselor shall not develop, implement, or maintain exploitative relationships with current or past clients.

**DECISION**

Pursuant to Section V(A)(3) of the *WCB Counselor Code of Conduct* (Rev. 1996), Action by the Executive Committee, Tom Curler is hereby given a Public Reprimand.

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

For the Executive Committee,

  
Jeff Percy  
Executive Director