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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE PSYCHOLOGY EXAMINING BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF :  
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :  
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PETER WEISS, Ph.D., : FINAL DECISION AND ORDER  
RESPONDENT. : LS0602085PSY  
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Division of Enforcement Case # 03 PSY 042

The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

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Psychology Examining Board  
Department of Regulation & Licensing  
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P.O. Box 8935  
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PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Psychology Examining Board. The Board has reviewed the attached Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Peter Weiss, Ph.D., (DOB 02/03/1933) is duly licensed as a psychologist in the State of Wisconsin (license # 77). This license was first granted on 04/18/1970. Respondent has not had any prior disciplinary actions or complaints.
2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Psychology Examining Board is 2407 Arboretum Drive, Madison, Wisconsin.
3. At all times relevant to this action, Respondent was working as a psychologist in Madison, Wisconsin.
4. Each person license to practice as a psychologist in the State of Wisconsin, who wishes to remain licensed, must renew that license biennially, by October 1 of each odd numbered year. [Wis. Stat. §§ 440.08(2)(a)64., and 455.06].
5. To be qualified to renew the license for the next biennial registration period, the licensee must have completed

at least 40 hours of board-approved continuing education in the previous biennial registration period. [Wis. Admin. Code §§ Psy 4.01 and Psy 4.02].

6. In response to an audit by the Department, Respondent reported his continuing education for the 2001-2003 biennium. In his response to the Department, Respondent reported taking a course on May 13, 2002 entitled “Ethics, Boundaries and Practice: Current Issues.”

7. Respondent arrived approximately 30 to 45 minutes late for this continuing education course. He sought out the sign in sheet, signed it and left approximately 15 minutes later. He did not return until the end of the day, when he collected his certificate of completion. Dr. Weiss has advised the Board that he spent the time during which the seminar was conducted studying the seminar materials and doing related independent reading at a library. Despite not physically attending the course, Respondent claimed the course in his continuing education report.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Psychology Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 455.09, and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation and Order, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. The conduct described in paragraphs 4 - 5 above constitutes a violation of Wisconsin Administrative Code §§ Psy 5.01(27) and (28), Psy 4.02 and Wis. Stat. § 455.09(1)(d) and (g).

### ORDER

IT IS ORDERED:

1. The license of Peter Weiss to practice psychology in the State of Wisconsin is REPRIMANDED.
2. The license of Peter Weiss to practice psychology in the State of Wisconsin is LIMITED as follows:
  - (a) Respondent shall draft an article which informs the public of the facts as set forth in this Stipulation and Final Decision and Order, and explains why his conduct violated the above provisions of law as well as common principles of ethics for psychologists. This article will be submitted to the Wisconsin Psychological Association for publication in their monthly newsletter within 120 days of the date of this Order. The article must be approved in advance by the Psychology Examining Board. Respondent is responsible for providing an article to the board for approval with sufficient time to allow him to meet his deadline of submitting the article to the Wisconsin Psychological Association within 120 days of this Order
  - (b) Within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order, Respondent shall provide proof sufficient to satisfy the Board that he has obtained an additional 8 hours of board-approved continuing education in ethics, which shall not apply to the 40 hours of board-approved continuing education for any biennium subsequent to the 2001-2003 biennium.
  - (c) Respondent shall, within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, pay costs of this proceeding in the amount of Twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) dollars. Payment shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing, and mailed to:

Department Monitor  
Division of Enforcement  
Department of Regulation and Licensing  
P.O. Box 8935  
Madison, WI 53708-8935  
Telephone (608) 267-3817  
Fax (608) 266-2264

3. Upon completion of the requirements of paragraph 2 above, the limitation on Respondent’s license will be

lifted. In the event Respondent fails to pay costs as ordered, fails to obtain the required continuing education in ethics, or fails to submit a pre-approved article within the time allotted in this Order, Respondent's license (# 77) SHALL BE SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with the terms of this Order.

4. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

Psychology Examining Board

By: Don L. Crowder, Ph.D.  
A Member of the Board

02/08/06  
Date