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#### STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE THE SOCIAL WORKER SECTION OF THE MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPY, PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING & SOCIAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

BRUCE E. BAUMANN,

RESPONDENT. : ORDER 0001563

## Division of Enforcement Case No. 12 SOC 038

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

Bruce E. Baumann 4110 North 90<sup>th</sup> Court Milwaukee, WI 53222

Division of Enforcement Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services 1400 East Washington Avenue P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

Social Worker Section
Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling and Social Work Examining Board
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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 Social Worker Section of the Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling and Social Work Examining Board ("Section"). The Section has reviewed the attached Stipulation and considered it acceptable.

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

## FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Bruce E. Baumann ("Respondent"), date of birth January 19, 1950, is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in the state Wisconsin pursuant to license number 2785-123. Respondent's license was first granted on July 24, 1994.

- 2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Department of Safety and Professional Services ("Department") is 4110 North 90<sup>th</sup> Court, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53222.
- 3. On or about March 21, 2011, Respondent renewed his license to practice as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in the State of Wisconsin. During the Continuing Education Certification portion of the renewal process, Respondent attested to the following statement:

"I have completed 30 credit hours of continuing education in approved programs as provided in section MPSW 19.01, Wisconsin Administrative Code, between March 1, 2009 and February 28, 2011. I have or will have evidence of this which I will furnish to the Board upon request."

- 4. In July 2011, the Department conducted a continuing education audit on behalf of the Section. Between July 2011 and February 2012, the Department attempted to contact Respondent three times regarding this audit, requesting an attendance table and proof of attendance for the continuing education hours he completed during the 2009-2011 credentialing period.
- 5. On March 8, 2012, Respondent contacted the Division of Enforcement to explain that while he did complete the required continuing education for the 2009-2011 credentialing period, he is not in possession of the certificates of attendance to verify the hours.
- 6. Respondent retired from the social work profession in January 2011 for health reasons. He does not intend to practice as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in the future.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Section has jurisdiction to act in this matter, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 457.26, and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation and Order, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

### **ORDER**

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The Stipulation of the parties is approved.
- 2. The SURRENDER of Bruce E. Baumann's license (no. 2785-123) to practice social work in the State of Wisconsin is accepted, effective the date of this order.
- 3. Bruce E. Baumann will not reapply for licensure in the State of Wisconsin at any time in the future and the Department of Safety and Professional Services will not process any application for renewal of the license of Bruce E. Baumann.
  - 4. This Order shall become effective on the date of its signing.

SOCIAL WORKER SECTION OF THE MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPY, PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING & SOCIAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

By:  $\frac{2}{\text{A Member of the Section}} \frac{5/17/2012}{\text{Date}}$