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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

JOHN S. CLARK,

RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0001935

Division of Enforcement Case No. 12SOC051

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

John S. Clark 9708 N. Raven Lane Hayward, WI 54843

Division of Enforcement
Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services
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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. John S. Clark, (DOB 02/16/1949), is credentialed as a social worker in the State Wisconsin pursuant to credential number 1994-120. Respondent's credential was first granted on November 24, 1993.

- 2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) 9708 N. Raven Lane, Hayward, WI 54843.
- 3. On or about January 20, 2011, Respondent renewed his social worker credential 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, as a result of a continuing education audit conducted on behalf of the Section, the Department requested that Respondent submit an attendance table, and proof of attendance, that included the continuing education hours he completed during the 2009-2011 credentialing period.
- 5. In August 2011, Respondent submitted his attendance table, which indicated that Respondent completed 42 hours of continuing education during the 2009-2011 biennium, all of which he earned through his employer.
- 6. In March 2011, Respondent retired and he is unable to obtain verification for the continuing education hours he earned through his employer.

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 voluntary SURRENDER of John S. Clark's social worker credential, no. 1994-120, is accepted.
- 3. John S. Clark will not reapply for certification 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 credential of John S. Clark.
 - 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:	En Ch	7/18/2012 -	
	A Member of the Section	Date	