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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE SOCIAL WORKER SECTION OF THE  
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY, PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING,  
AND SOCIAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY  
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

KELLY C. BRAGG,  
RESPONDENT.

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FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance<sup>1</sup> Case No. 12 SOC 133

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

Kelly C. Bragg  
940 Oak Street  
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494

Social Worker Section  
Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling, and  
Social Work Examining Board  
P.O. Box 8935  
Madison, WI 53708-8935

Division of Legal Services and Compliance  
Department of Safety and Professional Services  
P.O. Box 8935  
Madison, WI 53708-8935

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Social Worker Section of the Wisconsin Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling, and Social Work Examining Board (Section). The Section has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Section in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Kelly C. Bragg (dob August 2, 1978) is licensed in the State of Wisconsin as a social worker, having license number 8223-120, first issued on December 4,

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<sup>1</sup> The Division of Legal Services and Compliance was formerly known as the Division of Enforcement.

2002 and current through February 28, 2015. Ms. Bragg's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 940 Oak Street, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin 54494.

2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent worked as a juvenile court intake social worker with Wood County Human Services Department ("WCHSD").

3. In her position, Respondent has access to the Wisconsin Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information System ("eWiSACWIS"), which contains treatment and case management information on WCHSD clients.

4. Authorized eWiSACWIS users are permitted to access eWiSACWIS only for information that is directly related to the case or work the authorized user is assigned to do. Respondent is prohibited from accessing eWiSACWIS for unauthorized reasons.

5. Respondent admits that she accessed information from eWiSACWIS that she did not have proper authorization to access. Respondent's employer states that from September 1, 2012 through November 5, 2012, Respondent accessed eWiSACWIS to look up information of approximately 154 individuals that Respondent did not have an authorized case or work reason to look up. Respondent did not share any of the confidential information that she looked up with any third party.

6. As a result of these unauthorized uses, Respondent was disciplined by her employer, which included a thirty day suspension without pay, and the requirement to keep a log of all her eWiSACWIS searches and use that her supervisor reviews weekly.

7. In resolution of this matter, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Social Worker Section of the Wisconsin Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling, and Social Work Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 457.26(2), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Kelly C. Bragg violated Wis. Admin. Code § MPSW 20.02(10) by engaging in unauthorized use of eWiSACWIS.

3. As a result of the above violations, Kelly C. Bragg is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 457.26(2)(f).

#### ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. Respondent Kelly C. Bragg is REPRIMANDED.

3. The social worker license issued to Kelly C. Bragg (license number 8223-120) is LIMITED as follows:

a. Within 90 days of the date of this Order, Respondent shall successfully complete three (3) hours of education on the topic of ethics relating to patient confidentiality, offered by a provider pre-approved by the Section's monitoring liaison, including taking and passing any exam offered for the courses.

b. Respondent shall submit proof of successful completion of the education in the form of verification from the institution providing the education to the Department Monitor at the address stated below. None of the education completed pursuant to this requirement may be used to satisfy any continuing education requirements that have been or may be instituted by the Section or Department, and also may not be used in future attempts to upgrade a credential in Wisconsin.

c. This limitation shall be removed from Respondent's license after satisfying the Section or its designee that Respondent has successfully completed all of the ordered education.

4. Within 90 days from the date of this Order, Kelly C. Bragg shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$200.00.

5. Request of approval of courses, proof of successful course completion and payment of costs (made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services) shall be sent by Respondent to the Department Monitor at the address below:

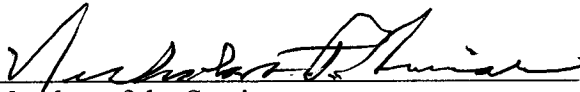
Department Monitor  
Division of Legal Services and Compliance  
Department of Safety and Professional Services  
P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935  
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264  
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

6. Violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Respondent's license. The Section in its discretion may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations or other additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. In the event Respondent fails to timely submit payment of the costs as ordered or fails to submit proof of successful completion of the ordered education as set forth above, Respondent's license (no. 8223-120) may, in the discretion of the Section or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with payment of the forfeiture and costs and completion of the education.

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

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

by:

  
A Member of the Section

9-25-13  
Date