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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

MICHAEL E. GUISLEMAN, L.C.S.W.,  
RESPONDENT.

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FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 14 SOC 036

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

Michael E. Guisleman, L.C.S.W.  
5424 W Pomeroy Rd.  
Edgerton, WI 53534

Social Worker Section of the Wisconsin Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional  
Counseling, and Social Work Examining Board  
P.O. Box 8366  
Madison, WI 53708-8366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance  
Department of Safety and Professional Services  
P.O. Box 7190  
Madison, WI 53707-7190

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 Michael G. Guisleman, L.C.S.W., (dob Sept 11, 1952) is licensed in the state of Wisconsin to practice clinical social work, having license number 3998-123, first granted on August 7, 1995 and current through February 28, 2015. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 5424 West Pomeroy Road, Edgerton, Wisconsin 53534.

2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent was employed as a mental health specialist at the Rock County Jail, located in Janesville, Wisconsin.

3. Patient A was an inmate at the Rock County Jail from September 25, 2013 through November 18, 2013.

4. On or about October 14, 2013, Respondent began treating Patient A.

5. After Patient A was released from the Rock County Jail, Respondent visited her at a group home located in Madison, Wisconsin, bringing her cigarettes and arranging for her to transfer to another group home in Janesville, Wisconsin.

6. Respondent admitted to beginning a personal relationship with Patient A in March 2014.

7. Respondent admitted to giving Patient A money and to paying her rent since April 2014.

8. Respondent admitted that the personal relationship with Patient A became romantic in April 2014.

9. 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, 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, Michael E. Guisleman, L.C.S.W., engaged in unprofessional conduct as defined by Wis. Admin. Code § MPSW 20.02(11), by engaging in a sexual relationship, sexual conduct, or any other behavior with a client which could reasonably be construed as seductive. For purposes of this rule, a person shall continue to be a client for 2 years after the termination of professional services

3. As a result of the above violation(s), Michael E. Guisleman, L.C.S.W., is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 457.26(2).

#### ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. The license of Michael E. Guisleman, L.C.S.W., (license number 3998-123), to practice clinical social work in the state of Wisconsin is SUSPENDED as follows:

- a. Respondent's license to practice clinical social work in the state of Wisconsin shall be suspended for a continuous period of one (1) year from the date of this Order.
- b. During the period of suspension, Respondent may not engage in the practice of social work.
- c. Respondent's period of suspension shall terminate automatically one (1) year from the date of this Order.

3. Within 120 days from the date of this Order, Respondent Michael E. Guisleman, L.C.S.W., shall, at his own expense, take and successfully complete six (6) hours of education in professional boundaries as follows:

- a. Each course attended in satisfaction of this Order must be pre-approved by the Board or its designee. Licensee shall be responsible for locating course(s) satisfactory to the Board and for obtaining the required approval of the courses from the Board or its designee. Licensee must take and pass any exam offered for the course(s).
- b. Licensee 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 Board or Department.

4. Within 90 days from the date of this Order, Respondent Michael E. Guisleman, L.C.S.W., shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$550.00.

5. Payment of costs shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services and 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 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190  
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264  
[DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov](mailto:DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov)

6. Violation of any of the terms of this Order, including practicing during the period of suspension, failure to complete remedial education as ordered or failure to pay costs as ordered 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.

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

Date

10/28/14

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  
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STIPULATION

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 14 SOC 036

Respondent Michael E. Guisleman, L.C.S.W., and the Division of Legal Services and Compliance, Department of Safety and Professional Services stipulate as follows:

1. This Stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation by the Division of Legal Services and Compliance. Respondent consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.

2. Respondent understands that by signing this Stipulation, Respondent voluntarily and knowingly waives the following rights:

- the right to a hearing on the allegations against Respondent, at which time the State has the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence;
- the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against Respondent;
- the right to call witnesses on Respondent's behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
- the right to testify on Respondent's own behalf;
- the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to present briefs or oral arguments to the officials who are to render the final decision;
- the right to petition for rehearing; and
- all other applicable rights afforded to Respondent under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.

3. Respondent is aware of Respondent's right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation.

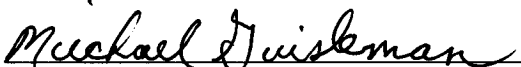
4. Respondent agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Social Worker Section of the Wisconsin Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling, and Social Work Examining Board (Section). The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties. Respondent waives all rights to any appeal of the Section's order, if adopted in the form as attached.

5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Section, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that the Stipulation is not accepted by the Section, the parties agree not to contend that the Section has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.


6. The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney or other agent for the Division of Legal Services and Compliance and any member of the Section ever assigned as an advisor in this investigation may appear before the Section in open or closed session, without the presence of Respondent or Respondent's attorney, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that any member of the Section may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such advisor may vote on whether the Section should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

7. Respondent is informed that should the Section adopt this Stipulation, the Section's Final Decision and Order is a public record and will be published in accordance with standard Department procedure.

8. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending the Section adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

  
Michael E. Guisleman, L.C.S.W., Respondent  
5424 W. Pomeroy Rd.  
Edgerton, WI 53534  
License no. 3998-123

09/05/14  
Date

  
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