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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION FOR :
SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELOR-IN- :
TRAINING FOR : **ORDER GRANTING**
 : **LIMITED LICENSE**
CORTLAND WATTERS :
APPLICANT : **0005465**

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

CORTLAND WATTERS
205 E RAMSDELL STREET #B
MARION WI 54950

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
1400 E. WASHINGTON AVENUE
P.O. BOX 8935
MADISON, WI 53708-8935

FINDINGS OF FACT

- I. CORTLAND WATTERS (Applicant) has filed an application for a credential to practice as a substance abuse counselor-in-training in Wisconsin.
- II. Information received in the application process reflects the following violations and convictions:
 - a. On or about October 29, 2009 – Disorderly Conduct, an ordinance violation.
 - b. On or about November 8, 2011 – Theft-Moveable Property, a misdemeanor.
 - c. On or about November 8, 2011 – Disorderly Conduct, a misdemeanor.
 - d. On or about November 8, 2011 – Bail Jumping, a misdemeanor.
 - e. On or about June 13, 2013 – Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, an ordinance violation.
 - f. On or about October 1, 2015 – Manufacture/Deliver Cocaine (>1-5G), a felony.
- III. Information received in the application process also reflects that, on October 1, 2015, the applicant was sentenced to three years of probation and is currently on probation.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- I. The Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. §440.88.

- II. The facts and circumstances of these convictions are substantially related to your request for licensure as a substance abuse counselor-in-training.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that CORTLAND WATTERS is GRANTED A SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING LICENSE, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING LIMITATIONS, TERMS, AND, CONDITIONS:

Practice Limitations

- I. Applicant shall provide a copy of this Order to all prospective employers.
- II. Applicant shall commit no new violations of law, and shall report all law enforcement contacts leading to arrest, charge or conviction to the Department Monitor within 48 hours of any such event.

Reporting Requirements

- III. It is Applicant's responsibility to arrange for his supervisor(s) to provide work reports to the Department Monitor on a quarterly basis, as directed by Department Monitor. These reports shall describe the Applicant's activities and verify that he is in compliance with the laws governing the practice of a substance abuse counselor-in-training and the terms of this Order.
- IV. Applicant shall file with the Department quarterly reports at the direction of the Department Monitor commencing ninety (90) days after Applicant commences employment. Each report shall include the following:
 - a. The name, address, and telephone number of the Applicant, and name, address and telephone number of the Applicant's employer;
 - b. A statement from the Applicant as to whether he has had any law enforcement contacts leading to arrest, charge, or conviction (including DWI/OWI) during the term of the Order;
 - c. Applicant shall report to the Department Monitor any change of employment status, residence, address or telephone number within five (5) days of the date of a change.
- V. Applicant is responsible for compliance with all of the terms and conditions of this Order, including the timely submission of reports by others. Applicant shall promptly notify Department Monitor of any suspected violations of any of the terms and conditions of this Order by Applicant.

DEPARTMENT MONITOR

- VI. The Department Monitor is the individual designated by the department as its agent to coordinate compliance with the terms of this Order. Any requests, petitions, reports, or other information required by this Order shall be mailed, faxed, or delivered to:

DEPARTMENT MONITOR
Department of Safety and Professional Services
Division of Legal Services & Compliance
1400 East Washington Ave., P.O. Box 7190
Madison, WI 53707-7190
Fax: (608) 266-2264
Telephone: (608) 267-3817

Petitions for Modification

- VII. Applicant may petition the Department Monitor for modification of the terms of this Order after completion of one year of practice in compliance with all terms and conditions of this Order. Applicant's petition must include Applicant's history of employment from the effective date of this Order that states the dates and names of any employer, such employment in total equaling one year of practice. Any such petition shall be accompanied by a written recommendation from Applicant's current employer that includes, among other things, the dates of employment and scope of responsibility during such employment. A denial of such a petition for modification shall not be deemed a denial of license under Wis. Stat. §§ 227.01(3), or 227.42, or Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 1, and shall not be subject to any right to further hearing or appeal.
- VIII. In the event that the Applicant applies for renewal of a substance abuse counselor-in-training license, the renewed license will be subject to the same terms and conditions of this Order, not to exceed one renewal period (one year).


Costs

- IX. Applicant shall be responsible for all costs and expenses associated with compliance with the terms of this Order.

Suspension

- X. In the event that the Applicant violates any term of this Order, Applicant's license may, in the discretion of the Department or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Applicant has provided proof, which is determined by the Department or its designee to be sufficient, that Applicant is in compliance with the terms of the Order. The Department may, in addition and/or in the alternative, refer any violation of this Order to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further investigation and action.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin this 12th day of October, 2017

Acting 
Chief Legal Counsel
On behalf of the Department of Safety and Professional Services

STATE OF WISCONSIN
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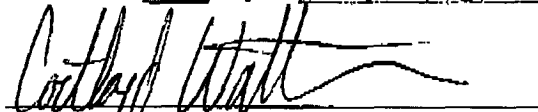
STIPULATION

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It is hereby stipulated between the above-referenced Applicant and the State of Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services as follows:

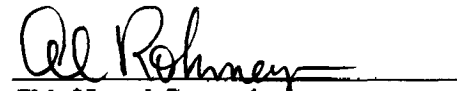
The Applicant has filed an application for a Substance Abuse Counselor-In-Training. Information received by the Department reflects a basis for denial of the application for a credential. Based upon the information of record herein, the Department agrees to issue and the Applicant agrees to accept an Order Granting a Limited License as a Substance Abuse Counselor-In-Training subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the attached Order Adopting Stipulation.

Dated this 11 day of October, 2017


Cortland Watters, Applicant

STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Dated this 12th day of October, 2017

By: 
Acting Chief Legal Counsel
On Behalf of the Department of Safety and Professional Services