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

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

TIFFANY G. GAUMOND, S.A.C., L.P.C.,
RESPONDENT.

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: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
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: **ORDER 0006490**

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 18 CPC 017 & 19 CPC 007

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

Tiffany G. Gaumond, S.A.C., L.P.C.
4418 Hollow Ridge Road
Madison, WI 53704

Professional Counselor 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 Professional Counselor 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 Tiffany G. Gaumond, S.A.C., L.P.C., (DOB: November 2, 1977) is licensed to practice professional counseling in the state of Wisconsin, having license number 5496-125, first issued on December 4, 2014, and current through February 28, 2021. Respondent is licensed in the state of Wisconsin as a professional counselor in training, having license number 1563-226, first granted on October 11, 2012. This license expired on October 11, 2016, and has

not been renewed. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.08(3), Respondent retains the right to renew upon payment of a fee until October 10, 2021.¹

2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Department is 4418 Hollow Ridge Road, Madison, Wisconsin 53704.

3. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent was employed as a professional counselor at a counseling center (Center), located in Portage, Wisconsin.

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4. On June 5, 2018, the Center filed a complaint against the Respondent.

5. Respondent was terminated from her employment at the Center.

6. On June 6, 2018, Respondent self-reported an incident with a Client A to the Department.

7. Respondent admitted to engaging in a four (4) to six (6) week romantic relationship with Client A.

8. Respondent stated she understood the incident with the client constituted an ethical violation and that she began taking ethics classes.

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9. Subsequent to the above case, the Division opened this complaint which alleges general practice issues.

10. In resolution of these matters, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Professional Counselor 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).

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

¹Respondent is licensed to practice substance abuse counseling in the state of Wisconsin, having certificate number 15913-131, first issued on September 5, 2014, and current through February 28, 2021. Respondent is certified in the state of Wisconsin to practice substance abuse counseling in-training, having certificate number 16506-130, first granted on February 13, 2012. This certificate expired on February 28, 2015, and has not been renewed. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.08(3), Respondent retains the right to renew upon payment of a fee until February 27, 2020.

2. The SURRENDER of the license to practice professional counseling in the state of Wisconsin issued to Tiffany G. Gaumont, S.A.C., L.P.C., (license no. 5496-125) is hereby accepted.

3. The SURRENDER of the right to renew the professional counselor in-training license in the state of Wisconsin issued to Tiffany G. Gaumont, S.A.C., L.P.C., (license number 1563-226) is hereby accepted.

4. In the event Respondent petitions the Section for reinstatement as a professional counselor or professional counselor in-training in the future, the Section may enter an order denying such petition without further notice or hearing. Whether to grant a license and whether to impose any limitations or restrictions on any license shall be in the discretion of the Section.

5. In the event Respondent petitions the Section for reinstatement of her license to practice professional counseling or professional counselor in training in the state of Wisconsin or applies for another credential with the Department, Respondent shall pay the costs of this matter in the amount of \$477.00.

6. Respondent shall immediately return all indicia of Wisconsin licensure 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

You may also submit this information online via DSPS' Monitoring Case Management System, here:

<https://app.wi.gov/DSPSMonitoring>

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

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

by: Tammy H. Scherdyg
A Member of the Section

10/15/19
Date

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STIPULATION

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 18 CPC 017 & 19 CPC 007

Respondent Tiffany G. Gaumond, S.A.C., L.P.C., 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. Respondent is represented by Attorney Barbara Zabawa.

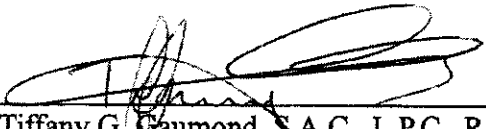
4. Respondent agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Professional Counselor Section of the Wisconsin Marriage and Family Therapy, Professional Counseling and Social Work Examining Board (Section). The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order without further notice, pleading, appearance

5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Department, 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 Department, the parties agree not to contend that the Department 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 Department ever assigned as an advisor in this investigation may appear before the Department 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 Department may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such advisor may vote on whether the Department should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

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

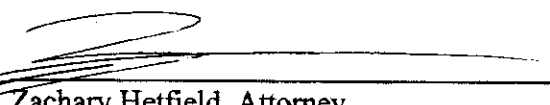
8. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending the Department adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.


Tiffany G. Gaumont, S.A.C., L.P.C., Respondent
4418 Hollow Ridge Road
Madison, WI 53704
License no. 5496-125

5/8/19
Date


Barbara Zabawa, Attorney for Respondent
Center for Health & Wellness, LLC
5104 Valley Dr
McFarland, WI 53558

5-13-19
Date


Zachary Hetfield, Attorney
Department of Safety and Professional Services
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
P.O. Box 7190

5/13/19
Date