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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY	:
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:
	: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
LINDSAY E. DANFORTH, PSY.D.,	:
RESPONDENT.	: URDER UU U7 U 4 5

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 20 PSY 010

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

Lindsay E. Danforth, Psy.D. Neenah, WI 54956

Wisconsin Psychology 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 Psychology Examining Board (Board). The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Lindsay E. Danforth, Psy.D., (DOB xx/xx/1987) is licensed in the state of Wisconsin to practice psychology, having license number 3590-57, first issued on August 10, 2018 and current through September 30, 2021. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is in Neenah, Wisconsin.

2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent was employed as a psychologist with an agency in Winnebago, Wisconsin.

3. On April 20, 2020, the Department received a complaint credibly alleging that Respondent had been cohabitating with a former client at the time of that former client's death.

4. In lieu of providing a defense to the allegations, Respondent informed the Department that she had moved to Massachusetts and wished to surrender her Wisconsin license to practice psychology.

5. As of July 16, 2020, Respondent has not updated her address with the Department.

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

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Psychology Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 455.09(1), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

<u>ORDER</u>

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. The voluntary SURRENDER of the license to practice psychology in the state of Wisconsin issued to Respondent (No. 3590-57) is hereby accepted.

3. In the event Respondent petitions the Board for reinstatement of her license to practice psychology in the state of Wisconsin, the Board 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 Board.

4. In the event Respondent petitions the Board for reinstatement of her license to practice psychology in the state of Wisconsin or applies for another credential with this Department, Respondent shall pay costs of this matter in the amount of \$325.00 before any petition or application is considered.

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

WISCONSIN PSYCHOLOGY EXAMINING BOARD

By:

A Member of the Board

_14 October 2020 Date

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	
LINDSAY E. DANFORTH, PSY.D., RESPONDENT.	:	STIPULATION
	:	URDEKUU07045

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 20 PSY 010

Respondent Lindsay E. Danforth, Psy.D., 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 Daniel Icenogle.

4. Respondent agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Wisconsin Psychology Examining Board (Board). 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 Board's order, if adopted in the form as attached.

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

Respondent is informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's 7. 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 Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

indsay E. Danforth, Psy. D., Respondent

Neenah, WI 54956 License No. 3590-57

Daniel Icenogle, Attorney for Respondent Icenogle & Associates S7563 Riley Road Readstown, WI 54652

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

8/30/2020

8/31/2020 Date