

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH  
BUREAU OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS  
BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY  
DISCIPLINARY SUBCOMMITTEE

In the Matter of

BARBARA A. WOLF, Ph.D.  
License No. 6301005468 /

Complaint No. 63-06-102041  
CONSENT ORDER AND STIPULATION

CONSENT ORDER

A First Superseding Administrative Complaint was filed with the Disciplinary Subcommittee of the Board of Psychology on August 27, 2008, charging Barbara A. Wolf, Ph.D., (Respondent)<sup>1</sup> with having violated section 16221(a) of the Public Health Code, 1978 PA 368, as amended, MCL 333.1101 *et seq.*

The parties have stipulated that the Disciplinary Subcommittee may enter this consent order. The Disciplinary Subcommittee has reviewed the stipulation contained in this document and agrees that the public interest is best served by resolution of the outstanding First Superseding Administrative Complaint. Therefore, the Disciplinary Subcommittee finds that the allegations of fact contained in the First Superseding Administrative Complaint are true and that Respondent has violated section 16221(a) of the Public Health Code.

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<sup>1</sup> The superseding complaint, as well as the original complaint, also named Suzanne Dickson, Ph.D., as a Respondent

Accordingly, for this violation, IT IS ORDERED:

Respondent is FINED \$500.00 to be paid by check, money order or cashier's check made payable to the State of Michigan (with complaint number 63-06-102041 clearly indicated on the check or money order) within 60 days from the effective date of this order. The timely payment of the fine shall be Respondent's responsibility.

Respondent shall mail the fine required by the terms of this order to: Sanction Monitoring, Bureau of Health Professions, Department of Community Health, P.O. Box 30185, Lansing, Michigan 48909.

This order shall be effective on the date signed by the Chairperson of the Disciplinary Subcommittee or the Disciplinary Subcommittee's authorized representative, as set forth below.

Signed on Nov 13, 2008.

MICHIGAN BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

By Julie M Cowie  
Chairperson, Disciplinary Subcommittee

### STIPULATION

The parties stipulate as follows:

1. Respondent does not contest the allegations of fact and law in the First Superseding Administrative Complaint. Respondent understands that, by pleading no contest, she does not admit the truth of the allegations but agrees that the Disciplinary Subcommittee may treat the allegations as true for resolution of the complaint and may enter an order treating the allegations as true.

2. Respondent understands and intends that, by signing this stipulation, she is waiving the right under the Public Health Code, rules promulgated under the Public Health Code, and the Administrative Procedures Act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 *et seq*, to require the Department to prove the charges set forth in the complaint by presentation of evidence and legal authority, and to present a defense to the charges before the Disciplinary Subcommittee or its authorized representative. Should the Disciplinary Subcommittee reject the proposed consent order, the parties reserve the right to proceed to hearing.

3. The Disciplinary Subcommittee may enter the above consent order, supported by Board conferee Dane Ver Merris, Ed.D. Dr. Ver Merris or an attorney from the Licensing and Regulation Division are free to discuss this matter with the Disciplinary Subcommittee in order to recommend acceptance of this resolution.

4. Dr. Ver Merris and the parties considered the following factors in reaching this agreement:

Respondent currently is the Director of Behavioral Medicine Education at McLaren Regional Medical Center. A Health Psychologist by post-doctoral training, she heads a department that provides many services to the Medical Center, including clinical care at the Family Practice Program, at the McLaren Bariatric Institute, and at the McLaren Head Injury Program and Rehabilitation Unit, as well as providing consultation and liaison in the Medical Center itself. In her career, Respondent has provided important clinical services for low income and multicultural populations.

Respondent is an Associate Professor at Michigan State University's College of Human Medicine and its College of Osteopathic Medicine. Respondent is also Director of Graduate Medical Education-Psychiatry for both medical schools at Michigan State University. She has supervised many early career psychologists.

Respondent has taken steps in her supervision of psychologists to prevent any potential recurrence of the type of mistake that occurred in this matter. This includes instructing psychologists to dictate reports rather than "cutting and pasting" portions and using chart audits.

By signing this stipulation, the parties confirm that they have read, understand and agree with the terms of the consent order.

AGREED TO BY:

Jack Blumenkopf  
Jack Blumenkopf (P24042)  
Assistant Attorney General  
Attorney for Complainant

Dated: 10/1/08

AGREED TO BY:

Barbara A. Wolf  
Barbara A. Wolf Ph.D.  
Respondent

Dated: 9/25/08  
Carol L. Fossee  
Carol L. Fossee (P32307)  
Attorney for Respondent

Dated: 10-02-08