

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
BUREAU OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES
BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY
DISCIPLINARY SUBCOMMITTEE

In the Matter of

BEATRIZ ISABEL ASCANI, PH.D., M.F.T.

License Numbers: 63-01-013124
41-01-006316

File Number: 63-11-122063

CONSENT ORDER AND STIPULATION

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, an Administrative Complaint, hereafter Complaint, was issued on May 24, 2012, charging Beatriz Isabel Ascani, Ph.D., M.F.T., hereafter Respondent, with having violated section 16221(b)(x) of the Public Health Code, 1978 PA 368, as amended; MCL 333.1101 et seq; and

WHEREAS, Respondent has admitted, by Stipulation submitted herewith, that the facts alleged in the Complaint are true and constitute a violation of the Public Health Code; and

WHEREAS, the Disciplinary Subcommittee of the Michigan Board of Psychology, hereafter Disciplinary Subcommittee, has reviewed the Stipulation and, based upon the matters asserted therein, agrees that the public interest is best served by resolution of the outstanding Complaint; now, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY FOUND that facts alleged in the Complaint are true and constitute a violation of section 16221(b)(x) of the Public Health Code, supra.

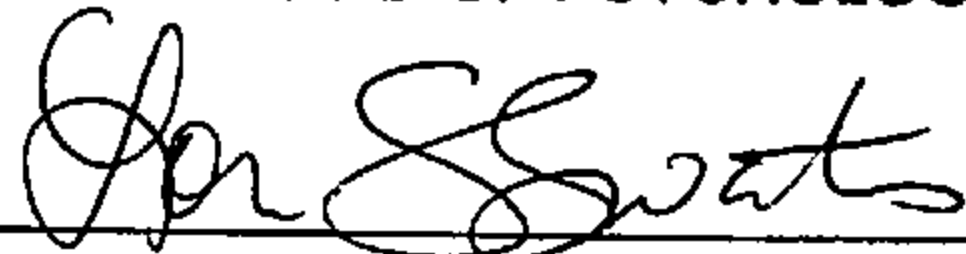
Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that for the aforesaid violation of the Public Health Code, Respondent is REPRIMANDED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall be effective 30 days from the date signed by the Disciplinary Subcommittee, as set forth below.

Dated: 4-18-13

MICHIGAN BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

By 
Chairperson, Disciplinary Subcommittee

STIPULATION

1. The facts alleged in the Complaint dated May 24, 2012, are true and constitute a violation of section 16221(b)(x) of the Public Health Code, supra.

2. Respondent understands and intends that by signing this Stipulation Respondent is waiving the right, pursuant to the Public Health Code, the rules promulgated thereunder, and the Administrative Procedures Act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, as amended; MCL 24.201 et seq, to require the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs,

hereafter Department, to prove the charges set forth in the Complaint by presentation of evidence and legal authority, and Respondent is waiving the right to appear with an attorney and such witnesses as Respondent may desire to present a defense to said charges.

3. Factors taken into consideration in the formulation of the within Consent Order were as follows:

During a compliance conference regarding the matter, Respondent stated that the disciplinary action was based on Respondent's employer billing for services that were performed by graduate students and not licensed professionals. Respondent stated that she worked at one of the satellite locations and was not responsible for any of the billing and was unaware of the billing inaccuracies.

Respondent further stated that, due to financial constraints, she accepted a surrender of her California license to avoid lengthy court cost. Respondent had been living in Michigan since 2005 and stated she did not realize the repercussions that the surrender of her California license would have on her Michigan license.

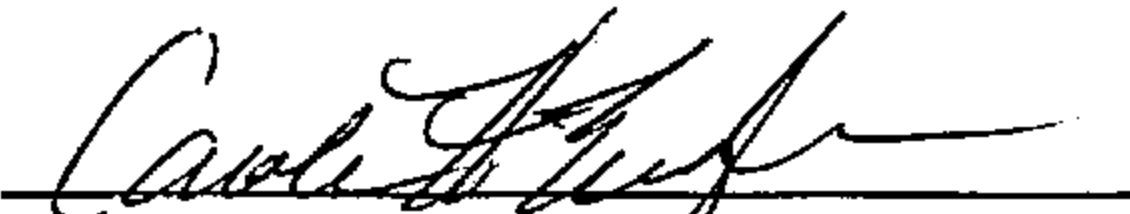
Respondent was fully cooperative in the resolution of this matter. Respondent has been licensed in Michigan since 2005 and has no other complaints against either of her licenses.

4. Alan Warbelow, M.A., L.L.P., a member of the Michigan Board of Psychology who supports this proposal, and the Department's representative are both free to discuss this matter with the Disciplinary Subcommittee and recommend acceptance of the resolution set forth in the foregoing Consent Order.

5. The foregoing Consent Order is approved as to form and substance by Respondent and the Department and may be entered as the final order of the Disciplinary Subcommittee in said cause.


6. The foregoing proposal is conditioned upon acceptance by the Disciplinary Subcommittee, Respondent and the Department expressly reserving the right to further proceedings should the Consent Order be rejected.

AGREED TO BY:


Carole H. Engle, Director
Bureau of Health Care Services
Department of Licensing and
Regulatory Affairs


Dated: 3-11-13

AGREED TO BY:


Beatriz Isabel Ascani, Ph.D., M.F.T.
Respondent

Dated: 02/18/2013

Approved as to form by:


Scott L. Feuer (P38185)
Attorney for Respondent

This is the last and final page of a Consent Order and Stipulation in the matter of Beatriz Isabel Ascani, Ph.D., M.F.T., File Number 63-11-122063, before the Disciplinary Subcommittee of the Michigan Board of Psychology, consisting of four pages, this page included.

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