STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING

BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY DISCIPLINARY SUBCOMMITTEE

In the Matter of

RONALD ALLEN FENTON, PH.D.

License Number: 63-01-001421

File Number: 63-15-137853

CONSENT ORDER AND STIPULATION

CONSENT ORDER

On March 1, 2016, the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

(Department) executed an Administrative Complaint (Complaint) charging Ronald Allen

Fenton, Ph.D. (Respondent) with violating section(s) 16221(b)(vi) and 16221(b)(xi) of

the Public Health Code, MCL 333.1101 et seq.

Respondent has admitted that the facts alleged in the Complaint are true

and constitute violation(s) of the Public Health Code. The Disciplinary Subcommittee of

the Michigan Board of Psychology has reviewed this Consent Order and Stipulation

(Order) and agrees that the public interest is best served by resolution of the

outstanding Complaint.

Therefore, IT IS FOUND that the facts alleged in the Complaint are true

and constitute violation(s) of section(s) 16221(b)(vi) and 16221(xi) of the Public Health

Code, supra.

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IT IS ORDERED that for the cited violation(s) of the Public Health Code, Respondent is FINED \$500.00 to be paid to the State of Michigan within 60 days of the effective date of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fine shall be mailed to the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Legal Affairs Division, Compliance Section, P.O. Box 30189, Lansing, MI 48909. The fine shall be paid by check or money order, made payable to the State of Michigan, and the check or money order shall clearly display file number 63-15-137853.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if Respondent fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this Order, Respondent's license to practice as a psychologist shall be automatically suspended for a minimum of one day. If, within six months of the suspension of the license, Respondent complies with the terms of this Order, the license shall be automatically reinstated.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if Respondent's license to practice as a psychologist remains suspended for more than six months, Respondent must apply for reinstatement of the license. If Respondent applies for reinstatement of the license, application for reinstatement shall be in accordance with sections 16245 and 16247 of the Public Health Code, <u>supra</u>.

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

MICHIGAN BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

Bv:

Chairperson, Disciplinary Subcommittee

Dated:

## **STIPULATION**

- 1. The facts alleged in the Complaint are true and constitute violation(s) of section(s) 16221(b)(vi) and 16221(xi) 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, 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 Respondent is waiving the right to appear with an attorney and such witnesses as Respondent may desire to present a defense to the charges.
- 3. This matter is a public record required to be published and made available to the public pursuant to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, MCL 15.231 et seq., and this action will be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank

and any other entity as required by state or federal law, in accordance with 42 USC 11101-11152.

4. Factors taken into consideration in the formulation of this Order are as follows:

Respondent provided substantial assistance to the United States Government in the investigation and prosecution of all parties involved in the matter, which resulted in the United States Government filing a Government's Motion for Downward Departure, which assisted the government in securing a faster resolution of the matter.

Respondent has been licensed in Michigan practicing as a psychologist since 1985 and has had no prior disciplinary actions.

- 5. Eric D. Ozkan, Ph.D., a member of the Board 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 this Order.
- 6. This 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 this matter.

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7. This proposal is conditioned upon acceptance by the Disciplinary Subcommittee. Respondent and the Department expressly reserve the right to further proceedings without prejudice should this Order be rejected.

AGREED TO BY:	AGREED TO BY:
Kim Gaedeke, Director Bureau of Professional Licensing Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs	Ronald Allen Fenton, Ph.D. Respondent
Dated: 7/22/2016	Dated: 7/21/16
	Approved as to form by:  James W. Burdick (P11397)  Respondent's Attorney

This is the final page of a <u>Consent Order and Stipulation</u> in the matter of Ronald Allen Fenton, Ph.D., File Number 63-15-137853, before the Disciplinary Subcommittee of the Michigan Board of Psychology, consisting of five pages, this page included.

Dated: 07/2/

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