

WAKE COUNTY
NORTH CAROLINA

BEFORE THE
ETHICS COMMITTEE
OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA SUBSTANCE ABUSE
PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BOARD

THE NORTH CAROLINA)	
SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROFESSIONAL)	
PRACTICE BOARD,)	
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)	Petitioner
v.)	REPRIMAND
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ANNA E RESPESS,)	
)	
)	Respondent

On April 22, 2013 the Ethics Committee Chair and attorney of the North Carolina Substance Abuse Professionals Practice Board considered the grievance filed against you by "self-report."

Pursuant to the statutory authority provided the Board, the Ethics Committee conducted a meeting for the purpose of seeking an informal resolution. After considering the information available to it, including your response to the Letter of Notice, the Ethics Committee found the Complaint was "with merit."

The rules provide that if after a finding of "with merit" to the Complaint, the Ethics Committee may determine that a hearing before the Board is not required and the Ethics Committee may issue various levels of discipline depending upon the misconduct, the actual or potential injury caused, and any aggravating or mitigating factors. The Ethics Committee may issue an Admonition, Reprimand, or Censure to the Respondent Substance Abuse Professional.

A Reprimand is a written form of discipline more serious than an Admonition issued in cases in which a Substance Abuse Professional has violated one or more provisions of the Rules of Ethics and has caused harm or potential harm to a client; the field or substance abuse prevention, intervention and treatment; the profession; or a member of the public; but the misconduct does not require a Censure.

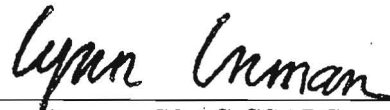
The Ethics Committee Chair was of the opinion that a Censure is not required in this case and issues this Reprimand to you. As Chairperson of the Ethics Committee of the North Carolina Substance Abuse Professional Practice Board, it is now my duty to

issue this Reprimand and I am certain that you will understand fully the spirit in which this duty is performed.

On September 7, 2012 you were convicted of a DUI, Misdemeanor Assault, and Criminal Contempt of Court. You promptly reported this to the NCSAPPB and completed the appropriate treatment recommendations.

You are hereby reprimanded by the North Carolina Substance Abuse Professional Practice Board due to your professional misconduct. The Ethics Committee trusts that you will heed this Reprimand, that it will be remembered by you, that it will be beneficial to you, and that you will never again allow yourself to depart from adherence to the high ethical standards of the profession.

Done and ordered, this the 22 day of April, 2013



Lynn Inman, CSAC CSAPC
Chairperson, Ethics Committee
North Carolina Substance Abuse
Professional Practice Board