

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF WAKE

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

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IN THE MATTER OF )  
EC-248-13 )  
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MIRANDA RICKER, ) REPRIMAND  
LCAS ASSOCIATE )  
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On June 14, 2013, the Ethics Panel of the North Carolina Substance Abuse Professional Practice Board met and considered the grievance filed against you by Ms. Dolly Van Wy, and Mr. Spencer Clark.

Pursuant to Chapter 150B-22 of the North Carolina General Statutes, the Ethics Panel, in an effort to resolve this matter informally, conducted a preliminary hearing. After considering the information available to it, including your response to the letter of notice and appearance before the panel, the Ethics Panel found this matter with merit.

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 grounds for professional discipline found in Section 90-113.44 of the North Carolina General Statutes and Rules found in Chapter 68 of the North Carolina Administrative Code and caused harm or potential harm to a client, the profession, or a member of the public but the misconduct does not require a censure.

The Ethics Panel 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.

The fact that you, while serving as Executive Director of Lexington Treatment Associates, LLC; became aware or should have become aware (due to the termination of employment of the physician responsible for the medication regimen) that for a period of approximately a week the Medical Director would not be working at the facility to review the "detoxification" orders as required and in such an instance as to cause or potentially cause harm or injury to the public and the profession in violation of G.S. 90-113.44(a)(9).

Your cooperation with this investigation is considered a mitigating circumstance.

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 legal profession.

Done and Ordered, this the 11 day of July, 2013.



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