WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE ETHICS COMMITTEE

NORTH CAROLINA

OF THE

NORTH CAROLINA SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BOARD EC-316-14

THE NORTH CAROLINA)	
SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROFESSIONAL)	
PRACTICE BOARD,)	
Petitioner)	
)	CONSENT ORDER
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DELLA DELOATCH,)	
Respondent)	

This matter is before the Ethics Committee (the "Committee") of the North Carolina Substance Abuse Professional Practice Board (the "Board"), pursuant to Chapter 150B of the North Carolina General Statues and Title 21 of the North Carolina Administrative Code, Chapter 68, Section .0600, and with the consent of Della Deloatch (Respondent), Certified Substance Abuse Counselor (CSAC), #1753, to consider the entry of a Consent Order in lieu of an Administrative hearing.

Respondent is representing himself and has received a proposed Informal Resolution resulting from a review of this Complaint by the Ethics Committee Chairman. Committee Chairman, Lynn Inman, presented the findings of the Board's investigation into these matters to the Respondent. Both parties stipulate and agree to the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law recited in this Consent Order and to the discipline imposed. Based upon the consent of the parties the Ethics Committee hereby enters the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent Deloatch was credentialed by the Board as a Certified Substance Abuse Counselor on or about September 20, 2001.
- 2. At all times relevant to this Order, Respondent Deloatch was engaged in practice as a CSAC in Hertford County, North Carolina while providing services as a substance abuse professional at 415 Holloman Avenue, Ahoskie, N.C. 27910.
- 3. Respondent Deloatch admits in a statement given to the Board that she was performing services with a lapsed credential after December 31, 2013, in a state of noncompliance with requirements of approved ADETS curriculum and past due reauthorization with ADETS fees in the amount of nine hundred thirty-two dollars (\$932.00) while practicing, and needed to keep her clients better informed and follow up with services.
- 4. Respondent's conduct is mitigated by her willingness to take responsibility for her acts and omissions as well as take corrective action in addition to her cooperation with the Board in developing and accepting an informal resolution.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent is in violation of North Carolina General Statute 90-113.44 (a)(6), engaging in acts in violation of the Article 5C of the NCGS or rules; NCGS 90-113.44(a)(7), commission of an act of malpractice, gross negligence or incompetence; and NCGS 90-113.44 (a)(9), engaging in conduct that could result in harm or injury to the public; as well as Rule 21 NCAC 68 .0503(a) requiring competent practice; Rule 21 NCAC 68 .0503(h) requiring competent record keeping, and Rule 21 NCAC 68 .0507 requiring that the Counselor protect the safety and welfare of the client.

The Respondent admits that sufficient violations of the laws governing the substance abuse profession exist for the Board to take action as authorized by G.S. 90-113.33 (2).

The Respondent waives any further Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in these matters.

Based on the foregoing, and with the consent of the Respondent, IT IS THEREFORE THE

ORDER OF DISCIPLINE

That Respondent Deloatch's CSAC credential be suspended for period of one (1) year, however, that suspension shall be stayed for a period of three (3) years effective upon the date of signing by both parties of this Consent Order and on the following conditions:

1. The Respondent, in addition to the standard continuing education hours required for re-credentialing, shall complete six (6) hours of Board-approved training.

- 2. The Respondent shall notify her Supervisor in writing with a copy of this notice to the Board of the Complaint that is the subject of this Consent Order and its resolution as soon as it is practicable.
- 3. The Respondent shall violate no standards set by DWI Services of the Department of Health and Human Services governing Respondent's substance abuse practice.
- 4. That the Respondent shall violate no rules adopted by the Board or any provision of the Board's Practice Act during the period of suspension.

This the	5	day of _	Man	, 2015.
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Lynn Inman, CSAC, CSAPC

Ethics Chairperson

NCSAPPB

Della Deloatch

Respondent