

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.)	CENSURE
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)	
JAIME MONTANO,)	
)	
Respondent)	

On December 17, 2012, the Chairperson of the North Carolina Substance Abuse Professionals Practice Board considered the grievance filed against you by Lynn Jones.

Pursuant to the statutory authority provided the Board, the Ethics Chairperson 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 and Complaint before the Committee, the Ethics Committee Chairperson found the Complaint was "with merit."

The rules provide that if after a finding of "with merit" to the Complaint, the Ethics Committee Chairperson may determine that a hearing before the Board is not required and the Ethics Committee Chairperson 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 Censure is a written form of discipline more serious than a Reprimand, issued in cases in which a Substance Abuse Professional has violated one or more provisions of the Rules of Ethics and has caused significant harm or potential harm to a client; the field of substance abuse prevention, intervention and treatment; the profession; or a member of the public; but the misconduct does not require a suspension of the Substance Abuse Professional's credential.

The Ethics Committee was of the opinion that a hearing before the Board is not required in this case and issues this Censure 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 Censure and I am certain that you will understand fully the spirit in which this duty is performed.

This Censure is based on your failure to receive supervision while providing substance abuse services as a Certified Substance Abuse Counselor in 2010.

You are hereby censured by the North Carolina Substance Abuse Professional Practice Board due to your professional misconduct. The Ethics Committee trusts that you will heed this Censure, 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 19th day of December, 2012.



Bert Bennett, Ph.D.
Chairperson, Ethics Committee
North Carolina Substance Abuse
Professional Practice Board