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BY EMAIL: benwarren.bohrer@gmail.com AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

Mr. Benjamin W. Bohrer 506 Bowen Road Bath, NC 27808

Re: EC File No. 579-19

Dear Mr. Bohrer:

Enclosed please find a duplicate original of the Consent Order - Admonition, entered with respect to the above referenced matter.

When you believe that you are ready to practice in the field, please contact the Executive Director of the Board; he/she will provide you with the name of a Board approved assessor, and you can have the assessment/fitness to practice evaluation performed.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

HARRIS & HILTON, P.A.

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cc:

Mr. Barden Culbreth (by email)(w/ Enclosure)

Ms. Elizabeth Ramos (by email) (w/ Enclosure)

NORTH CAROLINA

BEAUFORT COUNTY

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BOARD

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BENJAMIN W. BOHRER.) ·	
Respondent		ì	

THIS MATTER is before a Panel of the Ethics Committee ("the Panel") of the North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board ("the Board"), pursuant to Chapter 150B of the North Carolina General Statutes; 21 N.C.A.C. 68.0600, and N.C. Gen. Stat. §90-113.44; with the consent of Respondent Benjamin W. Bohrer ("Bohrer"), in lieu of a formal hearing on issues raised in that ethics complaint filed against him, on September 16, 2019 (EC No. 579-19). The Board, with the consent of Bohrer, makes the following FINDINGS OF FACT:

- Petitioner North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board, formerly known as "North Carolina Substance Abuse Professional Practice Board" ("the Board"), was established by G.S. 90-113.32, and is recognized as the registering, certifying, and licensing authority for substance abuse professionals described in the Practice Act. The Board was established to safeguard the public health, safety, and welfare, to protect the public from being harmed by unqualified persons, to assure the highest degree of professional care and conduct on the part of credentialed substance abuse professionals, to provide for the establishment of standards for the education of credentialed substance abuse professionals, and to ensure the availability of credentialed substance abuse professionals of high quality to persons in need of these services. The Board, under authority granted by the Practice Act regulates Board-credentialed persons offering substance abuse counseling services, substance abuse prevention services, or any other substance abuse services for which the Board may grant registration. certification or licensure.
- 2. Bohrer is a citizen and resident of Beaufort County, North Carolina; and is neither a minor nor an incompetent person.
- 3. On October 30, 2017. Bohrer applied for certification as a Certified Substance Abuse Counselor, and received the status of CSAC Intern, (CSAC-I No. 23996), which will expire on August 10, 2022 if not renewed. As of January 1, 2020, Certified

Substance Abuse Counselors have been renamed "Certified Alcohol And Drug Counselors".

- 4. On September 16, 2019, the Board received an Ethics Complaint against Bohrer; alleging in general that he had suffered a relapse from sobriety. Bohrer acknowledges a two (2) day relapse from sobriety, on August 12, 2019 and August 13, 2019.
- 5. Bohrer has taken appropriate action with respect to his relapse, including satisfactory completion of an intensive inpatient program in South Caronna; and has been crean and sober since August 14, 2019.
- 6. Bohrer's relapse could constitute grounds for discipline by the Board; however, the parties have agreed, rather than proceed with a Contested Case with respect to the issues raised in the Ethics Complaint, to the informal resolution contained herein.
- 7. Bohrer has specifically agreed that he will not practice in the field until (a) he submits to a Board approved assessor and complies with any recommendations made; (b) until a Board approved assessor concludes that Bohrer is fit to practice; and (c) Bohrer has completed six (6) Board approved Ethics hours. Breach of this agreement is grounds for further discipline.
- 8. Bohrer and the Board agree that the appropriate discipline to impose, is an ADMONITION for the relapse.

BASED UPON THE FOREGOING FINDINGS OF FACT. THE BOARD CONCLUDES AS A MATTER OF LAW:

- 1. The Board has the power and authority to impose discipline on Bohrer, and the resolution contained herein is an appropriate resolution of this case.
- 2. Each party should bear its own costs incurred in connection with the Board's investigation.

WHEREFORE, based upon the foregoing FINDINGS OF FACT and CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, and with the consent of the parties, pursuant to the authority set forth in N.C.G.S. § 90-113.33, et seq., it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. Bohrer is ADMONISHED with respect to his relapse.
- 2. Bohrer shall not practice in the field until (a) he submits to a Board approved assessor and complies with any recommendations made; (b) until a Board approved assessor concludes that Bohrer is fit to practice; and (c) Bohrer has completed six (6) Board approved Ethics hours,
- 3. Bohrer shall seek identification of an assessor from Barden Culbreth, Executive Director of the Board, and prior approval of the required Ethics Hours.

- 4. Bohrer shall provide a copy of this Consent Order to his supervisor; and the Board is permitted to send a copy of the Consent Order to any supervisor identified by Bohrer.
 - 5. Each party to this proceeding shall bear their own costs, and the Board shall bear its own costs of investigation.

This the H day of Jessuary. 2020.

SPECIALIST

NORTH CAROLINA ADDICTIONS

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BOARD

Elizabeth Ramos, Ethics Chair

STATEMENT OF CONSENT

I, Benjamin Bohrer, do hereby certify that I have read the foregoing Consent Order in its entirety, that I have consulted with counsel concerning the contents and effect of the same (or have had the opportunity to consult with counsel and have not done so), and that I voluntarily accept that there is a factual basis for the findings of fact set forth herein; and that those findings of fact are legally sufficient to support the findings, conclusions and discipline provided for therein, and that I assent to the terms of the Consent Order. I further express my understanding that the contents of this Consent Order shall become a part of my record with the Board, and are a public record under North Carolina law.

This the 10 day of February. 2020.

Beniamin Bohrer