

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA ADDICTIONS SEPCIALIST  
PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BOARD

NORTH CAROLINA ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST)  
PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BOARD, )

Petitioner )

v. )

ALEXANDER AVERELL, )

Respondent )

**ORDER**

**EC No. 589-19**

THIS CAUSE came on before the North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board ("the Board") on the petition of Respondent Alexander Averell to lift the suspension provided for in that Consent Order dated January 7, 2020.

The Board, having reviewed the pleadings of record, and Respondent's petition, makes the following FINDINGS OF FACT:

1. On January 7, 2020, Petitioner and Respondent resolved Ethics Complaint File No. 589-19 under the terms of a Consent Order which provided for suspension, of Respondent's license as Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist – Associate, LCAS No. 24967), through January 2, 2024.

2. The Consent Order further provides that, at any time after June 30, 2021, Respondent could petition the Board to lift the suspension upon (a) submission to a substance abuse assessment by a Board approved assessor; (b) compliance with recommendations made by the Board approved assessor, and (c) the assessor having the opinion that Respondent is fit to practice substance abuse counseling.

3. Respondent has petitioned the Board to lift the stay, has (a) submitted to a substance Abuse assessment by a Board approved assessor; (b) has complied and continues to comply with the recommendations made by the Board approved assessor; and (c) the assessor is of the opinion that Respondent is fit to practice substance abuse counseling.

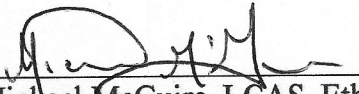
**BASED UPON THE FOREGOING FINDINGS OF FACT, THE COURT  
CONCLUDES AS A MATTER OF LAW:**

1. The suspension entered under the terms of the Consent Order should be lifted.

**BASED UPON THE FOREGOING FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF  
LAW, it is now, therefore, ORDERED ADJUDGED AND DECREED as follows:**

1. The suspension imposed under the Consent Order is lifted, effective as of the date of execution of this Order.

**It is so Ordered.**

  
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Michael McGuire, LCAS, Ethics Chair  
North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional  
Practice Board

8/15/21  
Date