## BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BOARD

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THIS CAUSE came on to be heard before the North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board ("the Board") on January 28, 2022, on the Notice of Hearing dated December 16, 2021.

The Board, having received the evidence and having heard the arguments of counsel, makes the following FINDINGS OF FACT:

- 1. Petitioner North Carolina Addictions Specialist 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 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. On May 19, 2019, Respondent Jennifer Griffin Boeyinga registered with the Board for the Certified Alcohol And Drug Counselor ("CADC") credential (CADC-R No. 25785). Respondent's status will expire on May 18, 2024, if not renewed.
- 3. On October 12, 2021, the Board received an Ethics Complaint ("the Complaint") against Respondent. The substance of the Ethics Complaint is that Respondent was engaged in a dual relationship with client "SS".
- 4. On or about October 13, 2021, the Board's Ethics Chair sent a letter to Respondent, demanding a response, within thirty (30) days, to the allegations contained within the Complaint.

- 5. On November 22, 2021, Respondent having failed to respond to the Ethic's Chair's October 13, 2021 letter, counsel for the Board sent a letter to Respondent, demanding a response, by December 15, 2021, to the allegations contained within the Ethics Complaint. Respondent received the November 22, 2021 letter on November 24, 2021.
- 6. Respondent has failed to respond to the November 22, 2021 letter; and that failure to respond constitutes a failure to cooperate with the Board's investigation, in violation of 21 NCAC 68 .0510, and grounds for discipline under 21 NCAC 68 .0601(7)(e).
- 7. Respondent is subject to the North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Act and the rules promulgated thereunder. The Board has jurisdiction over the person of the Respondent and the subject matter of this proceeding.
- 8. Pursuant to 21 NCAC 68. 0601 and other provisions of the 21 NCAC 68.0101 et seq., grounds exist to discipline Respondent relating to the facts and circumstances set forth above, up to and including permanent revocation of Respondent's registration as a CADC.
- 9. On December 16, 2021, the Board issued a Notice of Hearing, which was served on Respondent on December 18, 2021.
- 10. Respondent did not appear at the properly noticed hearing, and has not responded to the Ethics Complaint.

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

- 1. Respondent is subject to the North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Act and the rules promulgated thereunder. The Board has jurisdiction over the person of the Respondent and the subject matter of this proceeding.
- 2. Pursuant to 21 NCAC 68. 0601 and other provisions of the 21 NCAC 68.0101 *et seq.*, grounds exist to discipline Respondent relating to the facts and circumstances set forth above, and particularly for failure to cooperate with the Board's investigation of the Complaint, up to and including permanent revocation of Respondent's status as a CADC-R.
- 3. The appropriate discipline to impose, with respect to the actions alleged above, is permanent revocation of Respondent's status as a CADC-R.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED as follows:

- 1. Respondent's status as an CADC-R (CADC-R No. 25785) is permanently revoked.
  - 2. Each party shall bear their own costs.

## NOTICE

To obtain judicial review of this Final Decision, the entity or individual seeking review must file a petition, within thirty (30) days of service of a written copy of this Order, with the Clerk of Superior Court of the North Carolina County where the individual resides, or the entity is headquartered, or in Wake County, North Carolina.

This the Ash day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

NORTH CAROLINA ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE **BOARD**