

December 19, 2023

Sent via Certified Mail and Electronic Mail

Joshua D. Gregory 7833 Waterwillow Drive Leland, NC 28451 **Reply To:**

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RE: North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board; Board Quality Assurance No. 50-23

Dear Mr. Gregory:

As you know, our firm represents the North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board (the "Board"). This letter is in reference to the enclosed Consent Order, in relation to your application for registration before the Board as a Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor Registrant ("CADC-R"). *Enclosed*.

Per the terms of the Consent Order, executed on May 4, 2023, you were required to provide documentation to the Board from the Department of Veteran Affairs, on a quarterly basis, confirming your continued participation in therapy throughout your registration as a CADC-R.

We previously requested you submit the above-referenced documentation on or before Friday, December 8, 2023. *Copy of November 13, 2023 letter and Consent Order enclosed*. It has come to our attention that you have still not submitted the documentation required pursuant to the Consent Order.

As you did not submit the required documentation on or before the above-referenced deadline, per the terms of the Consent Order, your registration before the Board as a CADC-R is revoked.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Carolyn E. Duhon Counsel for the Board

cc: Mr. Barden Culbreth, Senior Administrative Director, NCASPPB Ms. Donna Strickland, Administrative Director, NCASPPB



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It has come to our attention that you have not submitted the documentation required pursuant to the Consent Order.

Please submit the documentation identified in the Consent Order on or before Friday, December 8, 2023. All responses must be transmitted to the Board and addressed as follows:

> NCASPPB, Attn: QA Committee P.O. Box 10126 Raleigh, NC 27605

Please also email the above-referenced documentation to me. at cduhon@hedrickgardner.com, and carbon copy ("cc") my paralegal, Bonnie Raddatz, at braddatz@hedrickgardner.com.

In the event you do not submit the required documentation on or before the abovereferenced deadline, your registration as a CADC-R before the Board will be terminated.

Letter to Mr. Joshua D. Gregory (QA-50-23) Re: Documentation Request Per Consent Order November 13, 2023 Page 2

If you have any questions, please call me at (984)-279-3480. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Carolyn E. Duhon Counsel for the Board

cc: Mr. Barden Culbreth, Executive Director, NCASPPB Ms. Donna Strickland, Administrative Director, NCASPPB

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF WAKE

NORTH CAROLINA ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BOARD, Petitioner,

JOSHUA DALE GREGORY (CADC-R Applicant), Respondent.

v...

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BOARD QA CASE NO. 50-23

CONSENT ORDER

THIS MATTER is before the North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board ("the Board"), pursuant to Chapter 150B, Article 3A of the North Carolina General Statutes; the North Carolina Substance Use Disorder Professional Practice Act; and Chapter 68 of the North Carolina Administrative Code. The Board and Respondent stipulate and agree to the entry of the following Consent Order:

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FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Petitioner Board was established by the North Carolina General Assembly to credential and regulate substance use disorder professional in North Carolina, in accordance with Chapter 90, Article 5C, of the North Carolina General Statutes.
- 2. Respondent currently is a citizen and resident of Brunswick County, North Carolina; and is neither a minor nor an incompetent person.
- 3. Respondent currently is an applicant for registration with the Board as a Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor Registrant ("CADC-R").

- In considering the Respondent's application for registration and in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 90-113.44, 90-113.46A, 93B-8.1, and 21 N.C.A.C. 68 .0202, the Board received and reviewed the Respondent's criminal history.
- 5. Due to the nature of Respondent's criminal history, which includes a felony conviction for Possession with Intent to Distribute a Schedule I Controlled Substance (Heroin) in 2016 and felony larceny in 2015, the Respondent was invited to, and voluntarily met with, the Board's Quality Assurance ("QA") Committee on Friday, April 21, 2023. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Respondent's criminal record and current circumstances as an applicant before the Board.
- At the QA Committee meeting, Respondent indicated his support system includes his family and friends, as well as mental health counseling through the Department of Veterans Affairs.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- Respondent is subject to the North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Act and the rules promulgated pursuant to that Act.
- 8. The Board has jurisdiction over Respondent and the subject matter of this proceeding.
- 9. Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-113.46A, the Board has the authority to deny Respondent's application for registration as a CADC-R with the Board.

BASED upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and in lieu of further proceedings, Respondent wishes to resolve this matter by consent and agrees that Board staff and counsel may discuss this Consent Order with the Board *ex parte* whether or not the Board accepts this Consent Order as written.

Whereas Respondent acknowledges that he read this entire document and understands it;

Whereas Respondent acknowledges that he enters into this Consent Order freely and voluntarily;

Whereas Respondent acknowledges that he had full and adequate opportunity to confer with legal counsel in connection with this matter;

Whereas Respondent understands that this Consent Order must be presented to the Board

for approval; and

Whereas the Board has determined that the public interest is served by resolving this matter as set forth below.

THEREFORE, with the consent of Respondent, it is ORDERED that:

- Respondent's pending application for registration as a CADC-R with the North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board is approved, contingent on the following:
 - a. Before obtaining registration, Respondent must provide documentation to the Board from the Department of Veterans Affairs, confirming the Respondent currently is receiving therapeutic services;
 - b. Respondent must continue therapy with the Veterans Association throughout his registration as a CADC-R and provide documentation demonstrating his continued participation in said therapy to the Board on a quarterly basis. In the event that Respondent ceases therapeutic services during his registration as a CADC-R without advance written approval from the Board, his registration as a CADC-R will be automatically terminated by the Board;

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- c. If Respondent is charged or convicted of any criminal offenses while registered as a CADC-R, his registration shall be automatically terminated by the Board.
- 2. The Board shall retain jurisdiction under Article 3A, Chapter 150B for all administrative hearings held in connection with or pursuant to this Consent Order. If the Board receives evidence that Respondent has violated any term of this Consent Order or any other law or rule enforced by the Board, the Board shall schedule a show cause hearing for a determination of the violations. If the Board determines that a violation has occurred, the Board may impose such disciplinary action as it determines is appropriate and is authorized by law.
- 3. This Consent Order shall take effect immediately upon its execution by the Board and Respondent and reflect the entire agreement between Respondent and the Board, there being no agreement of any kind, verbal or otherwise, which varies, alters, or modifies this Consent Order.
- 4. No modification or waiver of any provision of this Consent Order shall be effective unless it is in writing, adopted and approved by the Board, and signed by the parties affected.
- 5. Both the Board and Respondent participated in the drafting of this Consent Order. Any ambiguities herein shall not be construed against either party in any future civil or administrative proceeding.
- 6. Each party to this proceeding shall bear their own costs, and the Board shall bear its own costs of investigation.
- 7. Upon its execution by the Board and Respondent, this Consent Order shall become a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the North Carolina General Statutes and shall

be subject to public inspection and dissemination pursuant to the provisions thereof.

CONSENTED TO:

JOSHUA DALE GREGORY

____ Date: 26-APR-2023 ~

By Order of the North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board, this the

4th day of ____ May , 2023. MSW, LGSW, LCAS, CCS By: Anita Daniels, MSW, LCSW, CAS, CCS

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that the undersigned has this date served the foregoing Consent Order upon the following Respondent by email and US Mail, postage prepaid, First Class, and addressed as follows:

Joshua Dale Gregory 7833 Waterwillow Dr Leland, NC 28451 Email: joshgregory8796@outlook.com

This the <u>K</u> day of May, 2023.

De

Catherine E. Lee