STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF WAKE

NORTH CAROLINA ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BOARD, Petitioner,)))
V.))
SHEVONNA JETT (LCAS No. 24807),)
Respondent.)

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BOARD EC CASE NO. 803-23

CONSENT ORDER

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, Article 3A of the North Carolina General Statutes; the North Carolina Substance Use Disorder Professional Practice Act, North Carolina General Statute § 90, Article 5C; and Title 21, Chapter 68 of the North Carolina Administrative Code. The Board, with a quorum present, and Respondent stipulate and agree to the entry of the following Consent Order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Petitioner Board was established by the North Carolina General Assembly to credential and regulate substance use disorder professionals 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 Gaston County, North Carolina; and is neither a minor nor an incompetent person.
- 3. On May 4, 2022, Respondent was licensed by the Board as a Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist ("LCAS") (LCAS No. 24807), which will expire on May 3, 2026, if not renewed.

- Respondent is also certified by the Board as a Certified Clinical Supervisor Intern ("CCS-I"), pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 90-113.40(b) and 21 NCAC 68 .0211.
- 5. On November 9, 2023, Melissa Wagner ("Wagner"), Respondent's clinical supervisor at the time, filed a formal complaint with the Board alleging Respondent falsified documentation to indicate Respondent provided clinical services when, in fact, Respondent had not provided such services. The complaint was designated by the Board as Ethics Complaint ("EC") Case No. 803-23.
- 6. Upon investigation into EC Case No. 803-23, the Board determined the following:
 - During all times relevant to this matter, Respondent was employed as a counselor at New Season Treatment Center ("New Season"), an opioid addiction treatment and recovery center located in Charlotte, North Carolina.
 - During all times relevant to this matter, complainant Wagner was Respondent's direct clinical supervisor at New Season.
 - c. Respondent documented at least ten (10) clinical sessions purported to have been conducted by Respondent at New Season, in which Respondent did not conduct the counseling sessions as documented and/or billed.
- On December 23, 2023, Respondent submitted a response to the above-referenced Ethics Complaint in which Respondent did not contest the allegations contained within the Complaint.

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- Respondent is subject to the North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Act and the rules promulgated pursuant to the Act. The Board has jurisdiction over Respondent and the subject matter of this proceeding.
- 9. The acts and omissions of Respondent as described above constitute violations of the following:
 - a. N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-113.44(a)(6), (a)(7) and (a)(9);
 - b. 21 NCAC 68 .0503(a) and (h);
 - c. 21 NCAC 68 .0507(a); and
 - d. 21 NCAC 68 .0601(2)(a), (6)(a) and (7)(d).
- 10. Respondent committed one or more of the violations described above. Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-113.33(2), the Board has the authority to deny, suspend, or revoke Respondent's licensure, certification, or registration to practice in this State or reprimand or otherwise discipline Respondent's license, certificate, or registration in North Carolina. Respondent wishes to resolve this matter by voluntarily surrendering her license and the Board agrees to accept this resignation in lieu of further proceedings related to this matter.

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 she read this entire document and understands it;

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

Whereas Respondent acknowledges that she 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 hereby submits to the voluntary active suspension of her licensure as a Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist ("LCAS") (LCAS No. 24807), and the voluntary surrender of her Certified Clinical Supervisor Intern (CCS-I) certification from this Board.
 - a. The suspension of Respondent's LCAS shall remain in effect for a total period of five (5) years. The first two (2) years of suspension shall be active suspension, while the remaining three (3) years *may* transition to stayed suspension, contingent upon Respondent completing the requirements enumerated below.
 - b. Following the first two (2) years of suspension, which shall be active, Respondent's LCAS *may* transition to stayed suspension for the remaining three (3) years, contingent upon the following:
 - i. Respondent shall submit documentation to the Board as to an independent clinical assessment pertaining to fitness to practice and general mental health conducted by a Board approved assessor, at Respondent's cost,

deeming Respondent fit to practice; and

- ii. Following submission to the Board of the above-referenced assessment documentation, Respondent shall appear before the Board's Ethics Committee for consideration, prior to the Board lifting the active suspension of Respondent's LCAS.
- 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

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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:

SHEVONNA JETT Date:

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

4th day of March _____, 2024.

Nyi Myint, Ethics Chair By: