

BEFORE THE ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT ) Case No.: No. 99-1918/B-04  
AGAINST )  
TAMMY N. BUCKNER )  
Respondent )  
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AGREEMENT TO INFORMAL SETTLEMENT

WHEREAS, the Disciplinary Investigative Committee (Committee) of the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners (Board) has investigated an Complaint filed against the Respondent TAMMY N. BUCKNER and has determined that probable cause exists to warrant filing formal charges against the Respondent Buckner for having violated rules of the Board, and

WHEREAS, Respondent Buckner has been notified of the Complaint and alleged violations, the Committee's determination of probable cause, and the right to have a formal hearing before the Board on the alleged violations, and

WHEREAS, Respondent Buckner has been notified of the Complaint and alleged violations, the Committee's determination of probable cause, the right to a formal hearing before the Board on the alleged violations, and

WHEREAS, Respondent Buckner has been notified of the alleged violations and the Committee's determination of probable cause and the right to have a formal hearing before the Board on the alleged violation, hereby waives her right to a

formal hearing and requests an informal disposition of the alleged violations presently pending before the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners, and

WHEREAS, the Respondent Buckner has agreed to an informal disposition of the alleged violations, and in consideration of the Committee's promise to informally dispose of the violations, the Respondent agrees to the following disciplinary measures:

- (1) Payment of an administrative fine of \$200.00
- (2) Agreement that the disciplinary measures will be reported by the Board as mandated by policy and required by law. (The reporting requirements are mandatory and cannot be waived by the Committee or the full Board).
- (3) Documentation of completion of at least ten (10) hours of continuing education in ethics within two years of the agreement to dispose of the charges.
- (4) Agreement to 100 percent chart audit for a period of six months.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED,

- (1) That by signing this document, the Respondent Buckner agrees that she has violated the Administrative rules of the Board

(2) That by agreeing to have the violations informally discharged by the Committee, the Respondent waives her right to a formal hearing before the full Board.

(3) That if Respondent does not accept this agreement or if agreement is or may be voided by law, the Respondent Buckner waives any right to request recusal by any Board member in the event she does not accept this agreement.

IN CONSIDERATION OF the Respondent's acceptance of the above-listed disciplinary measures and acknowledgment of a violation of the rules of the Administrative Code of the Board, the Committee, on behalf of the Board, agrees,

- (1) not to actively pursue the prosecution of the violations;
- (2) not to pursue action through the circuit court for the violations;

IT IS STIPULATED AND AGREED by the Respondent Buckner and the Committee that the above-stated terms represent the complete agreement, and that this Agreement, to be binding, must be signed by Respondent and representative of the Committee, and that if any term is illegal or unconstitutional, the agreement becomes void.

Tammy N. Buckner

SIGNED, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October 2000

Brenda W. Holden

Signed, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 2000