BEFORE THE  
NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

In Re:  
Robert Mark Sturdivant, LPC  
RESPONDENT  

)                     )                 ) CONSENT ORDER

A complaint having been filed against Respondent with the North Carolina Board of Licensed Professional Counselors, and after investigation, the Board having found probable cause to believe that Respondent had violated a provision of the North Carolina Licensed Professional Counselor’s Act, Chapter 90 Article 24 of the North Carolina General Statutes, specifically, by violating provisions of the American Counseling Association’s Code of Ethics. The Respondent has agreed that it would serve the ends of justice that a Consent Order be entered which will resolve this matter without a formal hearing, and to that end, with the consent of all parties, the Board hereby enters the following Order:

IT IS, BY CONSENT, HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREE;

1. Respondent may continue to provide counseling services, but must do so under the following terms and conditions:

   A. Respondent’s license will be in probationary status for a period of 1 month to begin when the consent order is signed and dated by the Board Chairperson.

   B. Respondent shall find a supervisor that meets the Board requirements and submit the supervisor’s name to the Board for approval within 20 days of signing this Consent Order. Supervision shall begin as soon as the Board has approved the supervisor and has notified
Respondent of its approval. If the supervisor is not approved by the Board, Respondent shall submit another name for approval within 20 days of the notification by the Board.

C. Respondent shall be under supervision for a period of 12 months, which begins on the date the supervisor is approved by the Board. The supervision must be provided by a Board Approved Supervisor, who shall supervise Respondent for one hour per forty (40) hours of client contact. The Board Approved Supervisor shall provide quarterly reports to the Board on or before the 15th day of the month after the end of the quarter. These reports should address any issues concerning client welfare.

D. Respondent shall obtain twelve (12) additional continuing education hours, of which 6 must relate to client welfare and 6 must relate to professional ethics. These 12 hours are in addition to the hours of continuing education required for renewal of licensure, and must be completed within 12 months of the date this order is signed and dated by the Board Chairperson.

2. The Board retains jurisdiction over this matter. Respondent’s non-compliance with this order may lead to further disciplinary action. Once Respondent has complied with this order, he will be in good standing, and no further actions taken on this complaint.

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This 2nd day of November, 2011.

CONSENTED TO BY:

NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

BY: 
Lori Ann Stretch, LPC
Board Chairperson

Robert Mark Sturdivant, LPC, PH.D
Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 2nd day of November, 2011.

Kirsti E. Hole
(NOTARY PUBLIC)
My Commission Expires: 5-20-2014