

Michael Mossburg  
License Number SC001926

Mary N. Drotleff, M.S. LCMFT  
Board Chair  
Maryland State Board of  
Professional Counselors and Therapists  
4201 Patterson Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215

Re: Surrender of License to Practice as a  
Certified Supervised Counselor – Alcohol and Drug  
License Number: SC001926  
Case Numbers: 2021-023 & 2022-045

Dear Ms. Drotleff and Members of the Board:

Please be advised that, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 17-508 (2021 Repl. Vol. & 2022 Supp.) I have decided to **SURRENDER** my license to practice as a Certified Supervised Counselor – Alcohol and Drug, in the State of Maryland, License Number SC001926, effective immediately. I understand that upon the surrender of my license, I may not provide alcohol and drug counseling, with or without compensation, and cannot otherwise engage in the practice of alcohol and drug counseling in Maryland as it is defined in the Maryland Professional Counselors and Therapists Act (the “Act”), Health Occ. §§ 17-101 *et seq.* and other applicable laws. In other words, as of the effective date of this Letter of Surrender, I understand that the surrender of my license means that I am in the same position as an unlicensed and non-certified individual in the State of Maryland.

I understand that this Letter of Surrender is a **PUBLIC DOCUMENT**, and upon acceptance by the Maryland State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists (the “Board”), becomes a **FINAL ORDER** of the Board.

I acknowledge that the Board initiated an investigation into my practice, and, on December 16, 2022, the Board issued a *Notice of Intent to Revoke License to Practice as a Certified Supervised Counselor* (the “Notice”) against me under Health Occ. § 17-509(3)(ii) (provides professional services while using any narcotic or controlled dangerous substance, as defined in § 5-101 of the Criminal Law Article, or other drug that is in excess of therapeutic amounts or without valid medical indication) and (11) (is professionally, physically, or mentally incompetent). The Board’s investigation found that I provided professional services while using a controlled dangerous substance without a valid medical indication when I tested positive for opiates while working at my place of employment on more than one occasion. I admit that I failed drug tests required by my employer, failed to maintain sobriety at work, and failed to perform my duties in a professional manner.

I wish to make it clear that I have voluntarily, knowingly, and freely chosen to submit this Letter of Surrender to avoid any further investigation and prosecution of the allegations set forth in the Notice. I agree that if the Board were to proceed with an evidentiary hearing in this matter,

the State would be able to prove the foregoing violations of the Act by a preponderance of the evidence. I acknowledge that for the purposes related to my license, the charges and allegations of fact in the Notice shall be treated as if proven and that these allegations support a conclusion that I violated the Act as detailed herein.

I understand that by executing this Letter of Surrender I am waiving my right to a hearing to contest the disciplinary charges. In waiving my right to contest the charges, I am also waiving the right to be represented by counsel at the hearing, to confront witnesses, to give testimony, to call witnesses on my own behalf, and all other substantive and procedural protections provided by law, including the right to appeal to circuit court.

I understand that the Board will release this Letter of Surrender to any appropriate database regulating certified supervised counselors – alcohol and drug. I also understand in the event I would apply for licensure in any form in any other state or jurisdiction that this Letter of Surrender may be released or published by the Board to the same extent as a final order that would resolute from disciplinary action, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Gen. Prov. § 4-101 *et seq.* (2014), and that this Letter of Surrender constitutes disciplinary action by the Board.

I further recognize and agree that by submitting this Letter of Surrender, my license will remain surrendered unless and until the Board grants reinstatement. In the event that I apply for reinstatement of my Maryland license, I understand that the Board is not required to grant reinstatement; and, if it does grant reinstatement, may impose any terms and conditions the Board considers appropriate for public safety and the protection of the integrity and reputation of the profession. I further understand that if I file a petition for reinstatement, I will approach the Board in the same position as an individual whose license has been revoked.

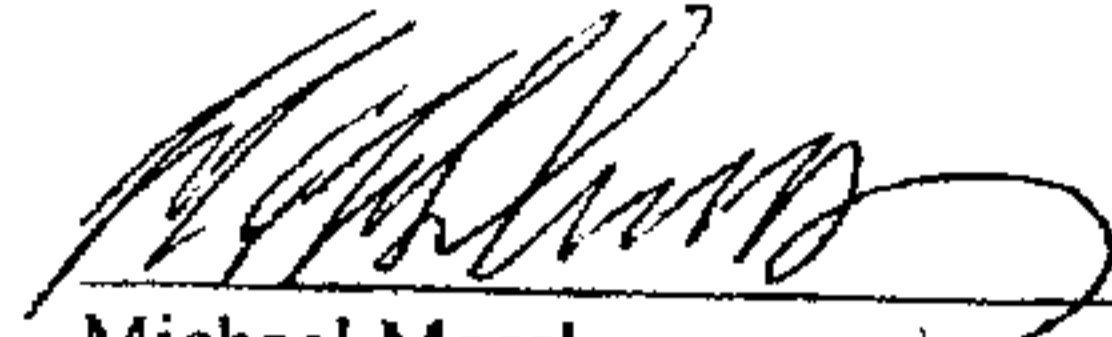
I hereby affirm that I have terminated any employment as an alcohol and drug counselor in the State of Maryland.

I agree that on or before the effective date of this Letter of Surrender, I shall present to the Board my original Maryland certificate (License Number SC001926), including any wall certificates, renewal certificates, and/or any wallet-sized renewal cards.

I acknowledge that I may not rescind this Letter of Surrender in part or in its entirety for any reason whatsoever. Finally, I wish to make clear that I have been advised of my right to be represented by an attorney of my choice throughout proceedings before the Board, including the right to consult with an attorney prior to signing this Letter of Surrender. **I have knowingly and willfully waived my right to be represented by an attorney before signing this letter permanently surrendering my license to practice in Maryland.** I understand both the nature of the Board's actions and this Letter of Surrender fully. I acknowledge that I understand and comprehend the language, meaning and terms, and effect of this Letter of Surrender. I make this decision knowingly and voluntarily.

Sincerely,

5/25/2023  
Date

  
Michael Mossburg


**NOTARY**

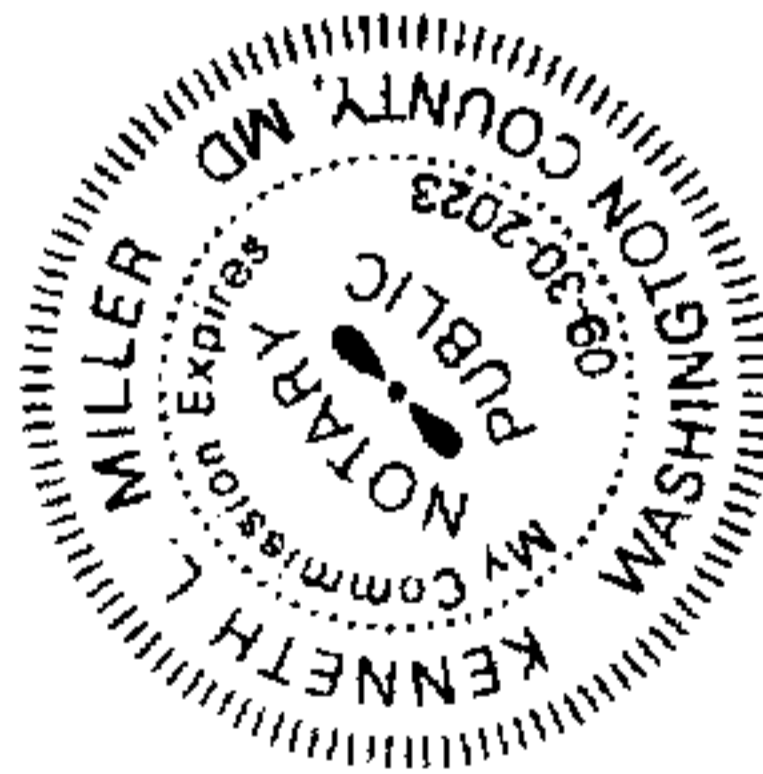
STATE OF MARYLAND

CITY/COUNTY OF WASHINGTON

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023 before me, a Notary Public of the City/County aforesaid, personally appeared Michael Mossburg, and declared and affirmed under the penalties of perjury that the signing of this Letter of Surrender was their voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESS my hand and Notarial seal.

  
Notary Public  
My commission expires: 9/30/27



**ACCEPTANCE**

On behalf of the Maryland State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists, on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023, I hereby accept the **PUBLIC SURRENDER** of Michael Mossburg's license to practice in the State of Maryland as a Certified Supervised Counselor – Alcohol and Drug.



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Winnie Moore, LCPC  
Board Chair  
Maryland State Board of Professional  
Counselors and Therapists