IN THE MATTER OF WINFIELD WHITE

BEFORE THE MARYLAND

License Number: 03540

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BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL

Case Number: 2023-016 / 2023-017

THERAPY PRACTICE

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CONSENT ORDER OF REPRIMAND

On March 9, 2023 the Maryland Board of Occupational Therapy Practice (the "Board") received two complaints regarding Winfield White (the "Respondent"). The Board opened an investigation into the complaints and held a Case Resolution Conference on February 23, 2024.

Based on the Board's investigation into the Respondent's conduct the Board voted to offer a Consent Order of Reprimand to the Respondent in lieu of issuing Charges for violating the Maryland Occupational Therapy Practice Act (the "Act"), Md. Code Ann., Health Occupations ("H.O.") §§10-101 et seq. As a result of that offer the Respondent and the Board agreed to the following Consent Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Board finds that:

On October 3, 1996 the Maryland Board of Occupational Therapy Practice (the "Board")
issued the Respondent license number 03540 to practice Occupational Therapy in the
State of Maryland,

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- In November 2022 the Respondent employed two temporary occupation therapy licensees at his practice,
- 3. Between November 23, 2022 and March 3, 2023 the Respondent allowed temporary occupational therapy licensees to treat patients at his practice without maintaining constant on-site supervision.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Board concludes that the Respondent violated Md. Code Ann., H.O.. §10-315 which allows the Board to "suspend or revoke a license if the…holder…"

"(5) Violates any rule or regulation of the Board, including any code of ethics adopted by the Board..."

H.O. $\S10-313(b)(1)$ holds that:

"A temporary license issued to an occupational therapist authorizes the holder to practice occupational therapy **only under the on-site supervision** of an occupational therapist who is authorized to practice in this State." (*Emphasis added*)

ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, it is hereby:

ORDERED that the license of the Respondent to practice Occupational Therapy in the State of Maryland is hereby REPRIMANDED and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent will be placed on a PERIOD OF PROBATION FOR

A MINIMUM OF ONE YEAR from the date the effective date of this order and until the

Respondent complies with the terms and conditions set forth in this order; and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent shall provide any and all occupational therapy employers with a copy of this Order during the probationary period; and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent shall ensure that any occupational therapy employers notify the Board in writing that the employer has received a copy of this Order and it is further

ORDERED that during the probationary period the Respondent shall submit monthly logs confirming he maintained on-site supervision with any temporary occupational therapy licensees he employs pursuant to H.O. §10-313, and that the log shall contain both the Respondent's signature and the temporary licensee's signature; and it is further

ORDERED that if the Respondent violates any of the terms and conditions of probation,

the Board will offer the Respondent an opportunity for a show cause hearing before the Board

and may impose any sanctions which it may have imposed in this matter, including any

probationary terms and conditions, reprimand, suspension, revocation and/or monetary penalty;

and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent may petition for a termination of probation after a

minimum of one year; and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent shall comply with the Maryland Occupational Therapy

Practice ACt, Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. §§10-101 et seq., and all Federal and State laws and

regulations governing the practice of occupational therapy in Maryland; and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent is responsible for all costs associated with the Consent

Order; and it is further

ORDERED that this Consent Order is considered a PUBLIC DOCUMENT pursuant to

Md. Code Ann., General Provisions §§4-101 et seq.

3/15/2024

Date

Daniel Martin, Board Chair

Maryland Board of Occupational Therapy Practice

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CONSENT

By this Consent, I acknowledge that I have read this Consent Order in its entirety and I hereby admit the truth of the Findings of Fact, and accept and submit to the foregoing Consent Order and its conditions. I acknowledge the validity of this Consent Order as if entered into after the conclusion of a formal evidentiary hearing in which I would have had the right to legal counsel authorized to practice law in Maryland, to confront witnesses, to give testimony, to request subpoenas for witnesses, to call witnesses on my own behalf, to introduce testimony and evidence on my own behalf, and to all other substantive and procedural protections provided by law. I waive these rights, as well as any appeal rights under Maryland Code Annotated, State Government Article § 10-222.

I sign this Consent Order after having an opportunity to consult with an attorney, voluntarily and without reservation, and I fully understand and comprehend the language, meaning, terms, and effect of this Consent Order.

Winfield White, License Number 03540

<u>NOTARIZATION</u>

STATE OF MARYLAND CITY/COUNTY of Mantaome

6 day of March I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this me, a Notary Public of the State and City/County aforesaid, WINFIELD WHITE personally appeared, and declared and affirmed under penalties of perjury that signing the foregoing Consent Order was her voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: ルーろいん

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