BEFORE THE INDIANA STATE
PSYCHOLOGY BOARD
CAUSE NO. 98 PB 004

STATE OF INDIANA,)
)
Petitioner,)
)
v.)
)
LOWELL H. LINDER, Ph.D.,)
License Number: 20040197,)
)
Respondent.)

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FINDINGS OF FACT AND ORDER

The ("Board") held an administrative hearing on November 20, 1998, in Room 1 of the Conference Center, Indiana Government Center South, 302 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, concerning a disciplinary complaint filed against Lowell H. Linder, Ph.D. ("Respondent").

The State of Indiana was represented by Deputy Attorney General James R. Oliver. Respondent did not appear, but submitted a signed copy of the proposed disposition. The Board, after considering the proposed disposition and evidence, and taking official notice of its file in this case, by a vote of 5-1-0, issues the following Findings of Fact and Order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent is a duly licensed psychologist in the State of Indiana holding Indiana license number 20040197.

2. Respondent is a duly licensed psychologist in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

3. On or about October 21, 1997, Respondent entered into a Settlement Agreement with the Kentucky Board of Examiners of Psychology in which Respondent admitted he had sexual contact with a former patient within two years after the termination of the professional relationship, in violation of Kentucky law. Respondent agreed that his license to practice psychology in Kentucky would be suspended for two years, that he would pay $10,000 for mental health services for the patient he had sexual contact with, and that he would pay $1,500 for investigative costs.

4. On or about October 31, 1997, the Kentucky Board of Examiners of Psychology accepted the Settlement Agreement, and suspended Respondent's license effective January 1, 1998.

5. Respondent's conduct constitutes a violation of Indiana Code 25-1-9-4(7) in that Respondent has had disciplinary action taken against him or his license to practice in another state or jurisdiction on grounds similar to Indiana statute.

ORDER

Based upon the above Findings of Fact, the Board now **ORDERS**:

Respondent's license to practice psychology in Indiana is hereby **SUSPENDED INDEFINITELY**. Respondent shall not petition for reinstatement until his Kentucky license is reinstated.

SO ORDERED this 30th day of Nov., 1998.

INDIANA STATE PSYCHOLOGY BOARD

By: Laura Langford
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