## SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

## A. PARTIES

This Settlement Agreement is made by the North Dakota Board of Social Work Examiners ("Board") and Lindsey Miller ("Miller").

## B. RECITALS

The Board is authorized pursuant to North Dakota Century Code (N.D.C.C.) ch. 43-41 to license and regulate the profession of social work.

N.D.C.C. § 43-41-10 authorizes the Board to suspend, revoke, or place on probationary status any license issued by the Board on proof at a hearing that the licensed person has committed an act set forth in the law.

Miller is licensed to practice social work in North Dakota by the Board.

The Board found grounds to support allegations Miller violated North Dakota Century Code (N.D.C.C.) § 43-41-10(4) and (5) and North Dakota Administrative Code § 75.5-02-06.1-01(6)(b), (6)(c), (10), and (11), and decided to initiate a disciplinary action.

Miller acknowledges she has been informed and understands she has the right to seek the advice of legal counsel in this matter.

Miller acknowledges she has been informed and understands she has the right to a hearing and appeal pursuant to N.D.C.C. § 43-41-10 and N.D.C.C. ch. 28-32 prior to any adverse action being taken against her license.

## C. AGREEMENT

The Board and Miller agree to resolve this matter as follows:

- 1. Miller waives her right to an administrative hearing and appeal.
- Miller's license to practice social work will be revoked immediately.
- 3. Without an administrative hearing or appeal, the Board will determine if Miller meets the requirements for issuance of a new license.
- 4. The news release required by N.D.A.C. § 75.5-02-07-01 shall be the same as the news release attached as Exhibit 1.
- 5. There are no covenants, promises, undertakings, or understandings outside this Agreement other than as herein specifically set forth.
- 6. This Agreement shall be governed by the substantive laws of the State of North Dakota without regards to conflicts of law principles.

Dated this <u>a</u> day of <u>August</u>	, 2016.  Singley Miller
State of North Dakete.  County of Bwlewn  Subscribed and affirmed to before me this L day of August , 2016.  Notary Public	JONATHAN LEONARD Notary Public State of North Dakota My Commission Expires December 10, 2018
Dated this <u>B</u> day of <u>August</u>	NORTH DAKOTA BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS  Heidi Nieuwsma Chair

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To whom it may concern:

As required by North Dakota Century Code (N.D.C.C.) § 75.5-02-07-01, the North Dakota Board of Social Work Examiners notifies you that Lindsey Miller agreed to have her license to practice social work revoked for a violation of North Dakota Century Code § 43-41-10(4) and (5) and North Dakota Administrative Code § 75.5-02-06.1-01(6)(b), (6)(c), (10), and (11).

Sincerely,

Nikki Owings Board Administrator North Dakota Board of Social Work Examiners