

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

A. PARTIES

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

B. RECITALS

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

N.D.C.C. § 43-41-10 authorizes the Board to refuse to renew, 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 that section of the law.

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

The Board found grounds to support allegations that Nelson violated 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.

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

Nelson acknowledges she has been informed and understands she has the right to a hearing and appeal under 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 Nelson agree to resolve this matter as follows:

1. Nelson waives her right to an administrative hearing and appeal.
2. Nelson voluntarily surrenders her license to practice social work effective immediately.
3. Without an administrative hearing or appeal, the Board will determine if Nelson meets the requirements for issuance of a new license if Nelson applies for licensure in the future.
4. There are no covenants, promises, undertakings, or understandings outside this Agreement other than as herein specifically set forth.

5. This Agreement shall be governed by the substantive laws of the State of North Dakota without regard to conflict of law principles.

Dated this 2 day of November, 2016.

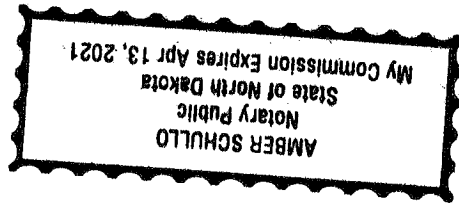
Janet Nelson
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State of North Dakota

County of Grand Forks

Subscribed and affirmed to before me
this 2nd day of November, 2016.

Amber Schullo
Notary Public



Dated this 13th day of Feb., 2016. 17 exp

NORTH DAKOTA BOARD OF
SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

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