

**BEFORE THE MINNESOTA  
BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY**

In the Matter of  
Jill M. Ajao, Psy.D., L.P.  
License No. LP3557



IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by Jill M. Ajao, Psy.D., L.P. (Licensee), and the Minnesota Board of Psychology (Board) as follows:

1. Licensee has been and now is subject to the jurisdiction of the Board from which she holds a license to practice psychology in the State of Minnesota for all times material herein.

**FACTS**

2. For the purpose of this stipulation, the Board may consider the following facts as true:

a. On October 10, 2008, the Board issued a Stipulation and Consent Order (2008 Consent Order), which indefinitely suspended Licensee's license to practice psychology in the State of Minnesota, based on impairment. The 2008 Consent Order required that Licensee undergo a multidisciplinary assessment evaluation at Resurrection Health Center (RHC). A true and correct copy of the 2008 Consent Order is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference in its entirety except as provided in paragraph 4 below.

b. On November 5, 2008, Licensee underwent a Comprehensive Assessment conducted by RHC, through its Multidisciplinary Assessment Program (MAP). As a result of the Comprehensive Assessment, MAP is of the opinion that Licensee is unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety without conditions and restrictions on her practice.

## REGULATIONS

3. The Board views Licensee's practices as described above to be in violation of statutes and rules enforced by the Board. Licensee agrees that the conduct cited above constitutes a violation of Minn. Stat. § 148.941, subds. 2(a)(1) (2006) (statute, rule, or order Board is empowered to enforce); 2(a)(2) (fraudulent, deceptive, or dishonest conduct); 2(a)(3) (unprofessional conduct), and Minn. R. 7200.5700 (2005); 2(a)(10) (mental or physical illness or condition); § 148.98 (2006) and Minn. R. 7200.4500 (2005) (conduct/ethics); Minn. R. 7200.4810, subps. 1 (2005) (impaired objectivity), and 2.D. (severe physical or mental health problem); and Minn. R. 7200.5600 (2005) (conduct likely to deceive or defraud the public or Board); and constitutes a reasonable basis in law and fact to justify the disciplinary action provided for in the order.

## REMEDY

4. Upon this stipulation and all of the files, records, and proceedings herein, and without any further notice or hearing herein, Licensee does hereby consent that until further order of the Board, made after notice and hearing upon application by Licensee or upon the Board's own motion, the Board may make and enter an order amending the 2008 Consent Order. The 2008 Consent Order is incorporated by reference in its entirety with the exception of paragraph 4, which is rescinded and replaced with the following language:

- a. Licensee's license is **INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED**.
- b. Licensee shall not practice, attempt to practice, offer to practice, or advertise or hold out as authorized to practice as a psychologist in the State of Minnesota for which licensure is required, nor shall she engage in the provision of mental health services as an unlicensed mental health practitioner as defined by Minn. Stat. § 148B.60, subd. 3 (2008).

c. Licensee is hereby referred to the Health Professionals Services Program (HPSP) and shall enter into a Participation Agreement and Monitoring Plan which shall incorporate at least the following provisions:

1) Licensee shall abstain completely from alcohol, testosterone, and all mood-altering chemicals unless they are prescribed by a physician or dentist with whom Licensee has a formal patient-doctor relationship and who has been provided a copy of this Amended Stipulation and Consent Order. Licensee shall also abstain completely from using precursors to testosterone, such as those that can be purchased in health supplement stores.

2) Licensee shall be subject, without notice, to unannounced blood and urine tests at the request of HPSP, in accordance with HPSP's established testing protocols. The screens shall include standard drugs of abuse, alcohol, testosterone, progesterone, and estrogen.

3) Licensee shall come under the care of a treatment team in order to become stabilized medically and address behavioral and emotional problems. This treatment team shall consist of an endocrinologist, a primary care physician, a psychiatrist, and a psychotherapist, all of whom shall be approved in advance by HPSP. Licensee shall provide all necessary records releases to enable Licensee's treatment team to obtain Licensee's medical, mental health, or chemical abuse/dependency records from any treating professional or facility to communicate with one another and with HPSP and the Board. Each member of the treatment team shall be provided with a copy of this Amended Stipulation and Consent Order and the RHC MAP assessment. Each member of the treatment team shall provide quarterly reports to HPSP summarizing medical or other care provided to Licensee and addressing Licensee's progress

under any terms of this Amended Stipulation and Consent Order relating to Licensee's health status and recovery.

4) Any other requirements deemed appropriate by HPSP.

d. Upon notification from HPSP that Licensee has entered into the Participation Agreement and Monitoring Plan referenced in paragraphs 4.c. above and with HPSP's assessment that Licensee is ready to return to the practice of psychology, Licensee may petition the Committee for a stay of the suspension of her license. The Committee, by its own written order, may impose the stay of suspension. The stay of suspension will remain in effect, so long as Licensee complies with this Amended Stipulation and Consent Order.

e. After the stay is imposed, in addition to complying with all of the terms of this Amended Stipulation and Consent Order, Licensee shall comply with the following requirements:

1) ***Group-Setting Practice.*** Licensee shall only work in a group setting, approved in advance by the Complaint Resolution Committee. For purposes of compliance with this provision, "group setting" is defined as an agency, clinic, or private practice setting in which Licensee is an employee and not an independent contractor and works with other licensed mental health professionals.

2) ***Supervision of Licensee by Board-Approved Psychologist.*** Following the stay of suspension of Licensee's license, Licensee shall practice psychology only under the supervision of a supervising psychologist, approved in advance by the Committee. Licensee shall have no previous personal or professional relationship with the supervisor, except that with the Committee's approval, the supervisor may also serve as Licensee's work-site monitor, if one is required by HPSP. Licensee shall obtain a supervising psychologist prior to

petitioning for a stay of the suspension of her license. Licensee shall meet with the supervising psychologist no less than one hour per week for a minimum of one year. After one year, and with the recommendation of her supervisor, Licensee may petition the Committee for a reduction in supervision to two hours per month. The Committee, by its own written order, may grant this petition. After two years of supervised practice, and with the recommendation of her supervisor, Licensee may petition the Committee for a removal of the supervision requirement. The Committee, by its own written order, may grant this petition and remove this requirement.

3) ***Supervisor's Reports.*** The supervising psychologist shall provide a report to the Committee every three months and at the time Licensee petitions to have the conditions removed from her license. The first report is due three months from the date supervision begins, and all subsequent reports shall be submitted on the first day of the month in which they are due. Each report shall provide and/or address:

- a) In the first report, evidence Licensee's supervisor has received and reviewed a copy of this Amended Stipulation and Consent Order;
- b) Dates on which supervision took place with Licensee;
- c) The method by which supervision was conducted;
- d) A statement that all cases have been reviewed, a description of any problems discovered in the review, and the resolution of the problems;
- e) The supervisor's opinion as to Licensee's ability to provide competent services;
- f) Any other information the supervisor believes would assist the Board in its ultimate review of this matter; and

g) At the time Licensee petitions for removal of the above-referenced conditions, the supervisor's report shall include an assessment of Licensee's ability to conduct herself in a fit, competent, and ethical manner in the practice of psychology as well as whether Licensee exhibits an acceptable comprehension and knowledge of ethical issues encountered in practice and the ability to apply this knowledge.

5. Upon completion of all terms, provisions, and conditions of this Amended Stipulation and Consent Order, including but not limited to discharge from HPSP for successful completion of her Participation Agreement and Monitoring Plan, Licensee may petition the Board for an unconditional license. The Board may, at any regularly scheduled meeting at which Licensee has made a timely petition, take any of the following actions:

- a. Remove the conditions attached to the license of Licensee;
- b. Amend the conditions attached to the license of Licensee;
- c. Continue the conditions attached to the license of Licensee upon her failure to meet her burden of proof; or
- d. Impose additional conditions on the license of Licensee.

**CONSEQUENCES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE OR ADDITIONAL VIOLATIONS**

6. It is Licensee's responsibility to ensure all reports and documentation required to be filed with the Board pursuant to this Amended Stipulation and Consent Order are timely filed by those preparing the report or documentation. Failure to file reports and documentation on or before their due date is a violation of this Amended Stipulation and Consent Order.

**NONCOMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR STAY OF SUSPENSION**

7. If the Committee has probable cause to believe Licensee has failed to file timely reports or otherwise failed to comply with any of the requirements for staying the suspension of

her license as set forth in paragraph 4 above, the Committee may remove the stay of suspension pursuant to the procedures outlined in paragraph 8 below, with the following additions and exceptions:

The removal of the stay of suspension shall take effect upon service of an Order of Removal of Stay of Suspension (Order of Removal). Licensee agrees that the Committee is authorized to issue an Order of Removal, which shall remain in effect and shall have the full force and effect of an order of the Board until the Board makes a final determination pursuant to the procedures outlined in paragraph 8 below. The Order of Removal shall confirm the Committee has probable cause to believe Licensee has violated one or more of the requirements for staying the suspension of Licensee's license. Licensee further agrees an Order of Removal issued pursuant to this paragraph shall be deemed a public document under the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act. Licensee waives any right to a hearing before removal of the stay of suspension.

8. If Licensee shall fail, neglect, or refuse to fully comply with each of the terms, provisions, and conditions herein, the Committee shall schedule a hearing before the Board. The Committee shall mail Licensee a notice of the violation alleged by the Committee and of the time and place of the hearing. Licensee shall submit a response to the allegations at least three days prior to the hearing. If Licensee does not submit a timely response to the Board, the allegations may be deemed admitted.

At the hearing before the Board, the Committee and Licensee may submit affidavits made on personal knowledge and argument based on the record in support of their positions. The evidentiary record before the Board shall be limited to such affidavits and this Amended Stipulation and Consent Order. Licensee waives a hearing before an administrative

law judge and waives discovery, cross-examination of adverse witnesses, and other procedures governing administrative hearings or civil trials.

At the hearing, the Board will determine whether to impose additional disciplinary action, including additional conditions or limitations on Licensee's practice, or suspension or revocation of Licensee's license.

9. This Amended Stipulation and Consent Order constitutes a disciplinary action against Licensee.

10. This Amended Stipulation and Consent Order is a public document and will be sent to all appropriate data banks.

11. This stipulation contains the entire agreement between the parties there being no other agreement of any kind, verbal or otherwise, which varies this stipulation.

BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

COMPLAINT RESOLUTION  
COMMITTEE



JILL M. AJAO, Psy.D., L.P.  
Licensee

Dated: 6/16/09



LISA NGUYEN-KELLY, Ph.D., L.P.  
THANH SON T. NGUYEN-KELLY, Ph.D., L.P.

Dated: 7 August 2009



MARGARET FULTON, Ph.D., L.P.

Dated: 8/7/09



SUSAN WARD

Dated: 7 August 2009

**ORDER**

Upon consideration of this stipulation and all the files, records, and proceedings herein,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Licensee's license to practice as a psychologist is **INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED** and that all other terms of this amended stipulation are adopted and implemented by the Board this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2009.

MINNESOTA BOARD

OF PSYCHOLOGY



ANGELINA M. BARNES  
Executive Director

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**STIPULATION AND  
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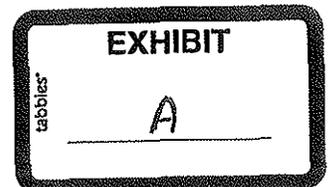
**FACTS**

2. For the purpose of this stipulation, the Board may consider the following facts as true:

a. Licensee was licensed by the Board in 1996. As of October 2006, Licensee was in solo practice in an office building on Selby Avenue in St. Paul, Minnesota. Since about November 2006, Licensee has been practicing psychology at [redacted], a mental health agency in Woodbury, Minnesota. Licensee specializes in the treatment of clients with eating disorders. Her clientele consists mainly of women.

b. Licensee filed a police report in which she falsely claimed that a prospective client had raped her. Licensee also implicated another psychologist as a possible suspect in her alleged rape. Licensee's conduct during the police investigation is further described below:

1) On October 26, 2006, Licensee reported to police that on October 24, 2006, she had been raped in her Selby Avenue office by a man who had contacted



her asking to be seen as a client. Licensee stated the alleged rapist made her perform various sexual acts on him and that he performed various sexual acts on her.

2) In or before early 2007, Licensee admitted to the police investigator assigned to her case that she had not met her alleged rapist as a new client. Rather, she had met him online and then met with him in person to discuss how she might go about creating a fantasy for her husband. Licensee told the police investigator that, although the circumstances of her contact with the man were different from what she originally reported, her statement about having been raped was true and she considered the alleged rapist to be a significant public safety threat.

3) Licensee's report of being raped in her Selby Avenue office building resulted in media coverage and great concern in the surrounding neighborhood. Police resources were expended to investigate Licensee's report and pictures/sketches of the suspected rapist were publicized. On January 5, 2007, Licensee submitted to the police a "Voluntary Request To Terminate An Investigation," requesting that no further action be taken regarding her report of being raped.

4) On January 31, 2007, the police investigator sent a letter to Licensee enclosing a criminal citation for Obstructing Legal Process and Falsely Reporting Crime. The letter states that the police investigator would hold the citation for one week before submitting it to the City Attorney in the event Licensee had information that might identify the suspect. "CXL" was subsequently written over the copy of the citation, apparently meaning it was cancelled.

5) Licensee helped the police locate her alleged rapist by sending an e-mail message to him under a false e-mail identity she created. However, she also sent e-mail messages to her alleged rapist under her real name asking him to destroy evidence by erasing his

computer history and telling him she would reimburse him for his legal fees and that she was trying to protect her professional career.

6) Licensee's alleged rapist was identified based on information she supplied to the police. The alleged rapist was interviewed by the police investigator and stated that the sexual activity alleged by Licensee did occur but that it was consensual. The alleged rapist gave the police investigator copies of e-mail messages between him and Licensee which indicate Licensee corresponded with him about sexual domination/submissiveness, including her interest in having a forceful sexual encounter, and arranged to meet him the afternoon of October 24, 2006. Contrary to Licensee's statements to the police in October 2006 and January 2007 that she had been raped, several of Licensee's e-mail messages indicate the sexual activity between her and the alleged rapist was consensual.

7) On December 17, 2007, Licensee was charged with falsely reporting a crime, in violation of Minn. Stat. § 609.505, a misdemeanor crime. On April 1, 2008, Licensee pled guilty to falsely reporting a crime, a misdemeanor.

c. Licensee failed to maintain appropriate boundaries and was deceptive with one or more clients regarding her false report of a crime.

d. Licensee has a history of mental health problems and her conduct in reporting the alleged rape raises questions about her ability to practice psychology with reasonable skill and safety to clients. In addition, documentation from Licensee's mental health providers suggests Licensee has not been fully forthcoming in disclosing her mental health history and information about the events surrounding and following her alleged rape in October 2006. Such information may have been relevant to the diagnoses, conclusions, treatment recommendations, and treatment rendered by these providers. For example:

1) Licensee apparently had an eating disorder at some time in her past, although that history is not documented in records obtained by the Board from Licensee's mental health providers and is also not documented in a report discussing Licensee's psychological evaluation dated April 1, 2007. During her interview with an investigator from the Minnesota Attorney General's Office, Licensee also mentioned a history of sexual abuse, which is referenced in some but not all of her mental health records.

2) Licensee saw a therapist for six sessions in 2001 due to symptoms of anxiety and depression after the birth of her third child. Licensee reported to the therapist that she had been treated for depression at the age of 24 and had taken Prozac for a time. Licensee indicated her postpartum depression "turned out to be" a thyroid disorder. Licensee also saw the therapist on February 28, 2007. However, after listening to Licensee's situation, the therapist decided she lacked the expertise or necessary collateral professional network to treat Licensee and referred Licensee to two other psychologists.

3) Licensee saw psychologist #1 from October 5, 2006, through February 22, 2007, including her intake and therapy sessions on October 12 and 19, 2006. Licensee's next session with psychologist #1 was on November 21, 2006, when psychologist #1 documented that Licensee had been "raped 3 wks ago." Psychologist #1 also documented Licensee had called her about the rape, and she had recommended Licensee call her husband and the police. On December 7, 2006, Licensee reported to psychologist #1 that she was meeting with the police investigator; she was feeling unsettled; she was always looking for the rapist, who wore a baseball cap and had a goatee; she "didn't fight hard enough"; the rapist "was degrading"; and she felt she was not believed. Licensee continued to discuss the alleged rape with psychologist #1 in subsequent sessions. However, there is no indication Licensee ever

disclosed to psychologist #1 the truth about the consensual nature of the encounter or filing a false report.

4) Licensee saw psychologist #2 for marital counseling from early March through at least July 19, 2007. Psychologist #2's records contain an undated "Background" information form that appears to have been completed by Licensee, which states that Licensee has a pending difficulty with law enforcement: "false report of crime, obstruction of justice." The form also states Licensee is currently receiving counseling from a therapist, although as noted above, on February 28, 2007, the therapist had declined to treat Licensee. In response to the question about alcohol use, Licensee circled "Never." On March 6, 2007, psychologist #2 documented Licensee's disclosure that her husband has never been comfortable with her drinking and that she quit drinking when her mother was diagnosed with cancer. Licensee also reported to psychologist #2 her use of prescribed testosterone and that she had stopped taking testosterone until one month earlier. Licensee disclosed information about visiting a Web site for sexual partners and certain information about the alleged rape. There is no indication Licensee discussed with psychologist #2 the alleged rape incident, the consensual nature of the encounter, or her false report of a crime.

### REGULATIONS

3. The Board views Licensee's practices as described above to be in violation of statutes and rules enforced by the Board. Licensee agrees that the conduct cited above constitutes a violation of Minn. Stat. § 148.941, subds. 2(a)(1) (2006) (statute, rule, or order Board is empowered to enforce); 2(a)(2) (fraudulent, deceptive, or dishonest conduct); 2(a)(3) (unprofessional conduct), and Minn. R. 7200.5700 (2005); 2(a)(10) (mental or physical illness or condition); § 148.98 (2006) and Minn. R. 7200.4500 (2005) (conduct/ethics); Minn. R. 7200.4810, subps. 1 (2005) (impaired objectivity); and 2.D. (severe physical or mental health

problem); and Minn. R. 7200.5600 (2005) (conduct likely to deceive or defraud the public or Board); and constitutes a reasonable basis in law and fact to justify the disciplinary action provided for in the order.

#### **REMEDY**

4. Upon this stipulation and without any further notice or proceedings, Licensee consents until further order of the Board, made after notice and hearing upon application by Licensee or upon the Board's own motion, the Board may make and enter an order as follows:

a. Licensee's license is **INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED**.

b. Licensee shall not practice, attempt to practice, offer to practice, or advertise or hold out as authorized to practice as a psychologist in the State of Minnesota for which licensure is required, nor shall she engage in the provision of mental health services as an unlicensed mental health practitioner as defined by Minn. Stat. § 148B.60, subd. 3 (2008).

c. Licensee shall undergo a multidisciplinary assessment evaluation at an evaluation program designated by the Complaint Resolution Committee (Committee). Licensee is responsible for the cost of the evaluation, as well as all other expenses incidental to the evaluation; however, the results of the evaluation shall be sent directly to the Committee by the evaluator. The evaluation will include, but is not limited to, a general psychiatric evaluation, an assessment of the behaviors set forth in paragraph 2 above, a fitness-for-duty evaluation, and treatment recommendations. Licensee shall sign all necessary waivers and releases of information to allow the evaluator to communicate and exchange information regarding Licensee with the Committee and any other person who previously conducted an assessment of Licensee or was previously involved in the care and/or treatment of Licensee.

d. Following receipt of the evaluation by the Committee, Licensee shall meet with the Committee to discuss the results of the evaluation and the status of her license as a

Licensed Psychologist in Minnesota. If the Committee and Licensee are unable to agree on a resolution, the Committee shall initiate a contested case hearing within 30 days.

5. Licensee has been advised by Board representatives that she may choose to be represented by legal counsel in this matter. Licensee is represented by Philip G. Villaume, Esq. The Complaint Resolution Committee is represented by Nathan W. Hart, Assistant Attorney General.

6. Licensee waives all formal hearings on this matter and all other procedures before the Board to which Licensee may be entitled under the Minnesota or United States constitutions, statutes, or rules and agrees that the order to be entered pursuant to the stipulation shall be the final order herein.

7. Licensee hereby knowingly and voluntarily waives any and all claims against the Board, the Minnesota Attorney General, the State of Minnesota and their agents, employees and representatives which may otherwise be available to Licensee under the Americans With Disabilities Act or the Minnesota Human Rights Act relative to the action taken or authorized against Licensee's license to practice psychology under this stipulation.

8. Licensee hereby acknowledges that she has read, understands, and agrees to this stipulation and has freely and voluntarily signed the stipulation without threat or promise by the Board or any of its members, employees, or agents. When signing the stipulation, Licensee acknowledges she is fully aware the stipulation is not binding unless and until it is approved by the Board. The Board may either approve the Stipulation and Consent Order as proposed, approve the Stipulation and Consent Order subject to specified change, or reject it. If the changes are acceptable to Licensee, the stipulation will then take effect and the order as modified will be issued. If the changes are unacceptable to Licensee or the Board rejects the stipulation, it will be of no effect except as specified herein.

9. This Stipulation and Consent Order constitutes a disciplinary action against Licensee.

10. This Stipulation and Consent Order is a public document and will be sent to all appropriate data banks.

11. This stipulation contains the entire agreement between the parties there being no other agreement of any kind, verbal or otherwise, which varies this stipulation.

BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY  
COMPLAINT RESOLUTION  
COMMITTEE

*Jill M. AJAO, Psy.D., L.P.*  
JILL M. AJAO, Psy.D., L.P.  
Licensee

Dated: 10-8-08

*Myrka Seibold, Ph.D., L.P.*  
MYRKA SEIBOLD, Ph.D., L.P.

Dated: 10/10/08

*Margaret Fulton, Ph.D., L.P.*  
MARGARET FULTON, Ph.D., L.P.

Dated: 10/10/08

*Susan Ward*  
SUSAN WARD

Dated: 10 October 2008

**ORDER**

Upon consideration of this stipulation and all the files, records, and proceedings herein,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Licensee's license to practice as a psychologist is **INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED** and that all other terms of this stipulation are adopted and implemented by the Board this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2008.

MINNESOTA BOARD

OF PSYCHOLOGY

  
PAULINE WALKER-SINGLETON  
Executive Director

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