



**Mississippi State Board of Examiners
for Licensed Professional Counselors**

March 8, 2021

Lou Anna Claveau, LPC
20005 Sunshine Drive
Long Beach, MS 39560

RE: 2018-50

Dear Ms. Claveau:

This Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors (Board) reviewed the documentation submitted by you in the matter of Lou Ann Claveau – cause no. 2018-50. After review, the Board finds that you have met all the requirements of the Order of the Board for the purpose of settling the disciplinary proceeding.

If you have any questions, please contact the Board office at (601) 359-1010.

Sincerely,

Dr. Richard Strebeck, PhD, LPC-S, NCC, CSAT
Chair

Cc: File Copy
Alexis E. Morris, Special Assistant Attorney General and Board Attorney

**BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR LICENSED
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS**

IN THE MATTER OF:

LOU ANNA CLAVEAU

CAUSE NO. 2018-50

CONSENT ORDER

This matter comes before the Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed professional counselors concerning an entry of a consent order regarding Lou Anna Claveau.

Upon recommendation of the board's representative in this matter, and with consent of the respondent, the parties stipulate and agree to the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Board is a duly constituted authority existing within the executive branch of the government of the State of Mississippi and is charged with licensure and regulation of the practice of licensed professional counseling under Title 73, Chapter 30, of the Mississippi code of 1972, as amended. The main executive offices are located at 239 North Lamar Street, Suite 402, Jackson, MS 39201.
2. Lou-Ann Claveau, the Respondent, is a Licensed Professional Counselor holding license Number 1256 issued by the Board. This license was initially issued on or about January 25, 2007 and is set to expire June 30, 2021.
3. Respondent was sent the Notice of Hearing and Complaint and was advised that a hearing was set in this matter for September 28, 2020. Due to the Board attorney's scheduling conflict, however, the hearing was rescheduled.
4. By entering into this Consent Order, Respondent waives any defect in proceedings before the Board and any further right to notice and hearing under Title 73, Chapter 30 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, or any other governing laws, rules and regulations at this time.
5. Respondent had the opportunity at all times to seek advice from competent counsel of her choice. No coercion has been exerted upon the Respondent nor have any promises been made other than those reflected in this Consent Order. The Respondent has freely and voluntarily entered into this Consent Order after the opportunity to consult with legal counsel and being motivated only by the desire to resolve the issues addressed herein and for the purpose of avoiding further administrative or judicial action with respect to this cause.
6. Respondent is fully aware of her right to contest charges made against her in a formal hearing. These rights include: representation by an attorney at the Respondent's expense,

the right to a public hearing on the charges filed, the right to confront and cross examine witnesses, to receive written findings of fact and conclusions of law supporting the decision of the merits of the accusations, and the right to obtain judicial review of the Board's decision.

7. Respondent expressly waives all further procedural steps, and expressly waives all rights to seek judicial review of or to otherwise challenge or contest the validity of any action taken by the Board and/or its representative(s) in this matter, the Consent Order and/or the stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and penalty imposed by the Consent Order.

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Board makes the following:

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Board has jurisdiction over the subject matter and the Respondent under Section 73-30-7 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended. Venue is likewise properly placed before this Board to hear this matter in Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi.
2. The Board gave Respondent due, proper and timely notice of the charges against her and has fulfilled all relevant procedural legal requirements.
3. Under Sections 73-30-11 and 73-30-21, the Board is authorized to revoke, suspend, assess a civil penalty (fine), place a license holder on probation, refuse to renew a license and/or take other appropriate action with respect to any license for a violation of the laws, rules and regulations governing licensed professional counselors.
4. The Respondent is charged with violating the following American Counselor Association (ACA) provisions:
 - i) B.5.a. – Responsibility to Clients
 - ii) B.5.b. – Responsibility to Parents and Legal Guardians
 - iii) A.6.b. – Extending Counseling Boundaries
 - iv) B.1.b. – Respect for Privacy
5. While the Respondent does not admit to the charges alleged herein, she agrees to this consent agreement to amicably resolve the matter.

Based upon the foregoing Conclusions of Law, the Board makes the following:

ADJUDICATION

1. The Respondent will complete 12 hours of continuing education in ethics and boundaries within the next twelve months. At least 6 hours must be in-person, if available. If in-person hours are unavailable, the continuing education hours must be preapproved by the

Board. These 12 hours of CEs are in addition to the regular continuing education yearly requirements.

2. If the Respondent does not complete the requirements within one year, the Board may take further action against her up to and including suspension of her license.

SO ORDERED this the 2nd day of November 2020.

**MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF
EXAMINERS FOR LICENSED
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS**

By: 
For and on behalf of the Board

AGREED AS TO FORM AND CONSENT:



Lou Anna Claveau



Lisa McKay, Attorney for Respondent