

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

In the Matter Of:

APRIL SEAL

Cause No. 2020-05

REMAND ORDER

This matter having come for the Mississippi State Board Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors (Board) and the Board, having been advised in the premise, does hereby find as follows:

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 Board has full, complete, and proper jurisdiction over APRIL SEAL, and the subject matter of these proceedings.

That at all times relevant hereto APRIL SEAL was a provisional licensed professional counselor in the State of Mississippi, having been issued license number P-0252 and was subject to the requirements of the *Mississippi Board of Examiners of Licensed Professional Counselors Law* and its implementing rules and regulations.

Under Section 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.

On or about October 20, 2020, the Board sent APRIL SEAL a letter notifying her that a complaint had been filed against her as a licensed professional counselor. The Board received the return receipt from APRIL SEAL on or about November 6, 2021. After an investigation


conducted by the investigating Board member assigned to the complaint, the Board sent a notice of hearing and complaint to APRIL SEAL on or about April 20, 2021 to appear for a hearing on May 21, 2021. To date, the Board has not received the return receipt acknowledging receipt of the notice of hearing and complaint in this matter.

That based upon the fact that APRIL SEAL no longer holds a valid and current license to practice as a Provisional-Licensed Professional Counselor in the State of Mississippi, the Board voted to remand this matter to the file on the condition set forth below.

This matter therefor was, and is hereby REMANDED to the files with the condition that prior to having her license reissued or reinstated, APRIL SEAL must, in addition to meeting the statutory and regulatory requirements existing at the time of any such licensure application, resolve with the Board the complaint against her docketed as Complaint Number 2020-05.

SO ORDERED this the 21st day of May 2021.

**MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF
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BY:  Dr. Richard Strebeck, Chair
For and on Behalf of the Board