



Board of Behavioral Sciences



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Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency
Department of Consumer Affairs

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RE: Peter Jason McGlynn, LMFT 36751, Complaint No. 2002026002975

Dear [REDACTED]:

The Board of Behavioral Sciences (Board) has completed the review process regarding your complaint. In your complaint, you alleged unprofessional conduct regarding his use of "Dr." and "PhD" titles.

When investigating any complaint, the Board must adhere to the statutes and regulations related to the practice of Marriage and Family Therapy, Administrative Law, and Rules of Evidence.

Evidence must meet the standard of clear and convincing evidence for the Board to possibly pursue formal disciplinary action against a licensee. This standard of evidence is a higher standard than that of preponderance of the evidence.

The reason evidence needs to be clear and convincing is because any case involving possible formal disciplinary action will potentially go to an administrative hearing.

An administrative law judge (Judge) presides over such a hearing. The Judge will rule whether any disciplinary action should occur. The Judge bases their ruling on the evidence presented during the hearing. Specifically, the Judge's ruling will be determined by if there is clear and convincing evidence or not.

The Board would be the complainant at the hearing. This means that the Board has the burden of proof in establishing that a licensee engaged in unprofessional conduct. The Board cannot achieve that objective unless it has sufficient clear and convincing evidence to present to the Judge.

Please note, the Board does not have the administrative authority or jurisdiction to investigate billing practices. Such concerns will need to be addressed with the insurance companies directly or the California Department of Insurance.

After reviewing the information you have provided, the Board has determined that there is not sufficient clear and convincing evidence to substantiate violation(s) of the statutes and regulations governing Mr. McGlynn's Licensed Marriage and Family Therapy license.

Based on the preceding information, the Board has closed the case regarding your complaint.

Sincerely,

Enforcement Analyst 116
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Board of Behavioral Sciences