

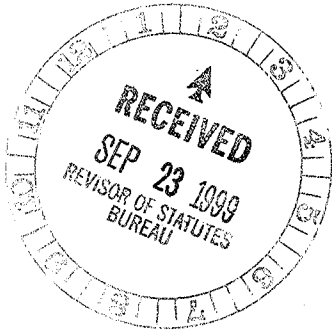
CERTIFICATE

**STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF REGULATION AND LICENSING**

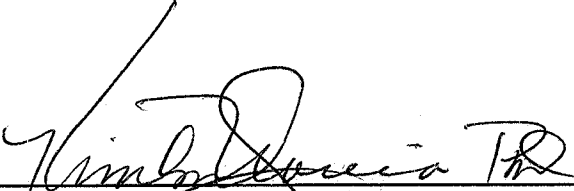
TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

I, Kimberly Nania, Director, Bureau of Health Service Professions in the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing and custodian of the official records of the Examining Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, do hereby certify that the annexed rules were duly approved and adopted by the Examining Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors on the 22nd day of September, 1999.

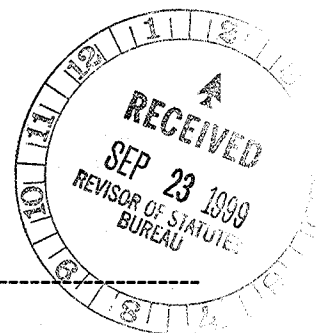
I further certify that said copy has been compared by me with the original on file in this office and that the same is a true copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the board at 1400 East Washington Avenue, Madison, Wisconsin this 22nd day of September, 1999


Kimberly Nania, Director, Bureau of Health Service Professions, Department of Regulation and Licensing

STATE OF WISCONSIN
EXAMINING BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS,
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS



IN THE MATTER OF RULE-MAKING : ORDER OF THE
PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE : EXAMINING BOARD OF SOCIAL
EXAMINING BOARD OF SOCIAL : WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY
WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND : THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL
FAMILY THERAPISTS AND : COUNSELORS ADOPTING RULES
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS : (CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 99-039)

ORDER

An order of the Examining Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors to *repeal* SFC 3.02, 3.03, 3.04, 3.06, 3.08, 3.10, 11.03, 16.01 (3), 16.02 (4) and 18.02; and to *amend* SFC 14.01 (2) (intro.), 14.02 (2), 16.01 (1) (c) and (2) (b), and 18.01 relating to repeal of outdated provisions, and academic equivalency requirements for certification as a professional counselor.

Analysis prepared by the Department of Regulation and Licensing.

ANALYSIS

Statutes authorizing promulgation: ss. 15.08 (5) (b), 227.11 (2) and 457.03 (1), Stats.

Statutes interpreted: s. 457.12 (3), Stats.

In 1993, the Examining Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors created rules to implement 1991 Wisconsin Act 160, relating to the certification of social workers, marriage and family therapists and professional counselors practicing within the state. Those rules set out the application procedures for applications made under the various non-statutory "grandfather" provisions waiving one or more of the requirements of the generally applicable eligibility criteria. Those rule provisions related to applications in each classification without the necessity of taking an examination, for applications filed on or before May 31, 1995; for applications for certification as a certified social worker on the basis of employment by a government agency as a social worker, and for applications for certification as a certified social worker on the basis of a bachelor's degree and a period of actual practice of social work.

In this proposed rule-making order the Examining Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors repeals those sections of the code as they are now outdated provisions. The following sections relate to social workers: Section SFC 3.02, application for social worker certification without examination by persons who have engaged in the practice of social work prior to May 1, 1993. Section SFC 3.03, application for social worker

certification without examination by persons who were employed as social workers after April 30, 1992 but before May 1, 1993. Section SFC 3.04, application for social worker certification without examination by persons employed as a social worker by a government agency between May 1, 1993 and May 31, 1994. Section SFC 3.06, application for certification as an advanced practice social worker without examination. Section SFC 3.08, application for certification as an independent social worker without examination. Section SFC 3.10, application for certification as an independent clinical social worker without examination.

The following section relates to professional counselors: Section SFC 11.03, exceptions to examination requirement for professional counselors. This section relates to applications filed on or before May 31, 1995.

The following section relates to marriage and family therapists: Section SFC 16.01 (3), for individuals who do not possess a master's or doctoral degree in marriage or family therapy but have completed the educational and practice requirements. This section relates to applications filed on or before May 31, 1995.

Sections SFC 14.01 (2) (intro.) and 14.02 (2) are amended to identify the academic equivalency requirements for certification as a professional counselor. Requirements for certification include successful completion of a counseling theory course. Amending these sections will specify that the minimum number of 3 semester hours or 4 quarter hours are required for the counseling theory course.

Section SFC 16.01 (1) (c) and (2) (b) are amended to include the citation to the statutory examination requirement.

Section SFC 16.02 (4) is repealed as it relates to applications filed on or before May 31, 1995. Section SFC 18.01 is amended and s. SFC 18.02 is repealed, because there is no longer an exception to the examination requirement which applied to applicants applying on or before May 31, 1995.

TEXT OF RULE

SECTION 1. SFC 3.02, 3.03 and 3.04 are repealed.

SECTION 2. SFC 3.06 is repealed.

SECTION 3. SFC 3.08 is repealed.

SECTION 4. SFC 3.10 is repealed.

SECTION 5. SFC 11.03 is repealed.

SECTION 6. SFC 14.01 (2) (intro.) is amended to read:

SFC 14.01 (2) (intro.) The course work included successful completion of at least 3 semester hours or 4 quarter hours academic credit in a supervised counseling practicum; at least 3 semester hours or 4 quarter hours academic credit in a counseling theory course; and at least one course of at least 3 semester hours or 4 quarter hours academic credit in at least 6 of the following 8 topic areas; and the course work included a total of at least 42 semester hours or 63 quarter hours of academic credit in counseling related courses distributed among at least 6 of the following 8 topic areas:

SECTION 7. SFC 14.02 (2) is amended to read:

SFC 14.02 (2) The course work included successful completion of at least 3 semester hours or 4 quarter hours academic credit in a supervised counseling practicum; at least 3 semester hours or 4 quarter hours academic credit in a counseling theory course; and at least one course of at least 3 semester hours or 4 quarter hours academic credit in each of the 8 topic areas defined in s. SFC 14.01 (2); and the course work included at least 48 semester hours or 72 quarter hours of academic credit distributed among those 8 counseling related topic areas.

SECTION 8. SFC 16.01 (1) (c) and (2) (b) are amended to read:

SFC 16.01 (1) (c) Verification of successful completion of the examination required under s. 457.10 (4), Stats.

(2) (b) Verification of successful completion of the examination required under s. 457.10 (4), Stats.

SECTION 9. SFC 16.01 (3) is repealed.

SECTION 10. SFC 16.02 (4) is repealed.

SECTION 11. SFC 18.01 is amended to read:

SFC 18.01 ~~Unless the applicant is exempt under s. SFC 18.02 from the examination requirement, an~~ An applicant for a certificate as a marriage and family therapist shall successfully complete the examination consisting of the Wisconsin statutes and rules examination and the examination in marriage and family therapy of the association of marital and family therapy regulatory boards.

SECTION 12. SFC 18.02 is repealed.

(END OF TEXT OF RULE)

The rules adopted in this order shall take effect on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin administrative register pursuant to s. 227.22 (2) (intro.), Stats.

Dated 9/22/99

Agency Douglas V. Knight
Chairperson
Examining Board of Social Workers,
Marriage and Family Therapists and
Professional Counselors

8/5/99



State of Wisconsin

DEPARTMENT OF REGULATION AND LICENSING

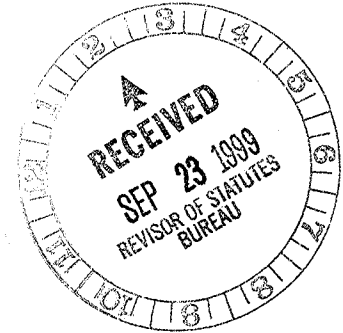
CORRESPONDENCE/MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 23, 1999

TO: Gary Poulson
Assistant Revisor of Statutes

FROM: Pamela A. Haack, Paralegal
Department of Regulation and Licensing
Office of Administrative Rules

SUBJECT: Final Order Adopting Rules



**Agency: EXAMINING BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY
THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS**

Clearinghouse Rule 99-039

Attached is a copy and a certified copy of a final order adopting rules.

Please stamp or sign a copy of this letter to acknowledge receipt.

Thank you.