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 WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND : FAMILY THERAPISTS AND FAMILY THERAPISTS AND : PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS : ADOPTING RULES

: (CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 01-151)

ORDER

An order of the Examining Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors to amend SFC 16.03, relating to supervised clinical practice.

Analysis prepared by the Department of Regulation and Licensing.

<u>ANALYSIS</u>

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

Statutes interpreted: 457.10 (3), Wis. Stats.

In this proposed rule-making order the Examining Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors amends the supervision requirement for persons obtaining supervised clinical practice prior to applying for certification as a marriage and family therapist. Current rules require a minimum annual number of hours of supervision during a period of pre-certification supervised practice. The minimum number of hours may be excessive if a person is working part-time. This rule change will eliminate a logical inconsistency in the supervision requirement.

TEXT OF RULE

SECTION 1. SFC 16.03 is amended to read:

SFC 16.03 **Supervised clinical practice.** For purposes of meeting the postgraduate supervised practice requirement, 2 years of clinical practice of marriage and family therapy consists of 1,000 hours of client contact over a period of not less than 24 months. The person whose practice is being supervised shall receive a minimum of 50 hours one hour of face-to-face supervision within each 12 month period for each 10 hours of supervised practice. Practice of marriage and family therapy which occurs as part of the requirements for obtaining a master's or

doctoral degree in marriage and family therapy or a substantially related field shall not be considered to fulfill any part of the postgraduate supervised practice requirement.		
(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.), Wis. Stats.		
Dated	Agency	
<u> </u>		Chairperson Examining Board of Social Workers Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors
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