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I, Dana Butcher, have received a copy of the proposed letter from the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Speech-Language, Pathology, and Audiology concerning the complaint made against me on August 3, 2009. I have reviewed the proposed letter, and have had the opportunity to seek legal counsel concerning the letter, but have chosen not to. I agree with the language in the letter, and I understand that it will be made a part of my file at the West Virginia Board of Examiners for Speech-Language, Pathology and Audiology office.

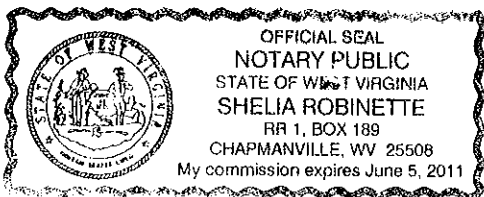

Dana Butcher

State of West Virginia
County of Logan

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged be for me this 4th day of January, 2010
by Dana Butcher.

My commission expires: June 05, 2011


Notary Public



West Virginia Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology

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January 6, 2010

Dana J. Butcher, SLP-0889
41 Mallory Avenue
Logan, West Virginia 25601

Dear Ms. Butcher:

The WV BSLPA met on 10/28/09 and one of the items on the agenda was a discussion of the complaint that had been filed against you regarding your supervision of Alicia Workman.

After a careful review of the law and the supporting documentation that was provided, the Board unanimously decided that no laws had been broken in regards to your WV Speech Pathology license. We did, however, feel that you showed a significant lack of professional responsibility in your handling of this matter.

When you agreed to act as a clinical supervisor one of your responsibilities was to model proper professional conduct and ethical behavior. It is imperative that newcomers to the field understand that what we do is important and we must act like professionals in the delivery of our services. Whether through intent or negligence you did not model what we would consider to be exemplary professional conduct. As a result this young woman was delayed in completing her requirements for licensure and ASHA certification through no fault of her own. In addition she was subjected to a significant amount of unnecessary stress.

It is the decision of this board that no action will be taken in regards to your WV Speech Pathology license. A copy of this letter will be placed in your file and will be taken into consideration in the event of any future complaints that might be lodged against you.

If you have not already done so, we would expect you to send a letter of apology to Alicia Workman for the grief and aggravation that you have caused her.

Sincerely,



Dr. Michael J. Zagarella, Au.D., CCC/A
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