

GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
Rules Committee Meeting Minutes – March 4, 2014

The Rules Committee of the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met on Tuesday, March 4, 2014, by teleconference at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Arthur Williams, LPC
Richard Long, MFT
Tonya Barbee, CSW

GUEST ATTENDEES:

Terry I. Reece, Mercer University

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Hope Harrison, Board Support Specialist, HC 1

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:

Tricia Downing, Esq., Senior A.A.G.

Arthur Williams, Committee Chair, established that a quorum of the committee was present and called the meeting to order at 4:02 P.M.

Proposed Rule Amendments:

- 135-5-.01 Associate Professional Counselors. Amended.
- 135-5-.02 Professional Counselors.

The Committee members discussed the use of the word “assessment” in the definition of “The Practice of Professional Counseling” in rules 135-5-.01 and 135-5-.02. The recommendation was made to use the definition of “Professional Counseling” as written in O.C.G.A. § 43-10A-3 (10) as the definition of “The Practice of Professional Counseling” in rules 135-5-.01 and 135-5-.02. No additional changes or recommendations were made in regards to rules 135-5-.01 and 135-5-.02.

- Telemental Health Rule

The Committee discussed the Telemental Health Rule and made recommendations for a final draft.

The recommendations of the Committee will be included in the drafts of the rules. The LPC Professional Standards Committee will meet to discuss the proposed changes to rules 135-5-.01 and 135-5-.02 on March 6, 2014 by teleconference. The Telemental Health Rule draft will be presented to the full Board at the March 7, 2014 Board meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:54 P.M.

Minutes recorded by:

Hope Harrison, Board Support Specialist, HC1

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC 1

Tommy Black

Tommy Black, LPC, Chair



Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director HC1

These minutes were approved on: March 7, 2014