

1 3. On 03/21/18, the Board received a complaint and information from ADOC
2 indicating that Respondent and Inmate were involved in a romantic relationship.

3 4. During Respondent's communications with Board staff, Respondent
4 acknowledged being in a romantic relationship with Inmate from approximately 08/17 – 12/17.

5 5. As a result of her conduct, Respondent's security clearance was revoked and
6 she was involuntarily terminated from her position.

7 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

8 1. The Board has jurisdiction over Respondent pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3251 *et seq.*
9 and the rules promulgated by the Board relating to Respondent's professional practice as a
10 licensed behavioral health professional.

11 2. The conduct and circumstances described in the Findings of Fact constitute a
12 violation of A.R.S. § 32-3251(16)(y), engaging in a dual relationship with a client that could
13 impair the licensee's objectivity or professional judgment or create a risk of harm to the client.
14 For the purposes of this subdivision, "dual relationship" means a licensee simultaneously
15 engages in both a professional and nonprofessional relationship with a client that is avoidable
16 and not incidental.

17 **ORDER**

18 Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law, the parties agree to
19 the provision and penalties imposed as follows:

20 1. Respondent's license, LMSW-13881, shall be surrendered to the Board, effective
21 from the date of entry as signed below.

22 2. The surrender shall be considered a revocation of Respondent's license.


23 **PROFESSIONAL ACCEPTS, SIGNS AND DATES THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT**

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25 Nefertari E. White

3/27/2018
Date

1 **BOARD ACCEPTS, SIGNS AND DATES THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT**

2 Dated this 9th day of April, 2018.

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4 By: 
5 TOBI ZAVALA, Executive Director
6 Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners

7 **ORIGINAL** of the foregoing filed

8 This 9th day of April, 2018 with:

9 Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners
10 1740 West Adams Street, Suite 3600
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11 **COPY** of the foregoing mailed via Interagency Mail

12 This 9th day of April, 2018, to:

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14 Assistant Attorney General
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16 Certified mail no. 948900900027424186

This 9th day of April, 2018, to:

17 Nefertari E. White
18 Address of Record
Respondent