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April 27, 2000

Manuel J. Manolios, Chairman
State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists
and Professional Counselors
116 Pine Street
Harrisburg, PA 17105

Re: IRRC Regulation #16A-693 (#2023)
State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists
and Professional Counselors
Verification Fee

Dear Chairman Manolios:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation at its April 27, 2000 public meeting. Our Order is enclosed and is available on our website at <http://www.irrc.state.pa.us>.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that met the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

John R. McGinley, Jr.
Chairman

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Enclosure
cc: Joyce McKeever
Robin Stanley
Dorothy Childress
Honorable Kim Pizzingrilli

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Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held April 27, 2000

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Regulation No. 16A-693

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

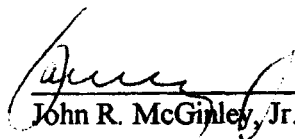
On March 29, 1999, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors. This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code § 47.4. The authority for this regulation is Section 18(c) of the Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors Act (63 P.S. § 1918(c)). The proposed regulation was published in the April 10, 1999 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on March 27, 2000.

This regulation represents a cost allocation adjustment for two types of fees. It increases the fee for verification of licensure from \$10 to \$15. It creates a new fee of \$25 for certification of license, scores or hours.

This regulation meets the criteria of the Regulatory Review Act.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Regulation No. 16A-693 from the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, as submitted to the Commission on March 27, 2000, is approved; and
2. The Commission will transmit a copy of this Order to the Legislative Reference Bureau.



John R. McGinley, Jr., Chairman

