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The Honorable John R. McGinley, Jr., Chairman INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION 14th Floor, Harristown 2, 333 Market Street Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17101

> Re: Proposed Regulation State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors 16A-698: Supervised Clinical Experience

Dear Chairman McGinley:

This letter is to inform you that the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors (Board) has decided to withdraw its regulation pertaining to Supervised Clinical Experience, 16A-698. After reviewing the public comments submitted on proposed rulemaking, the Board determined that its current regulations are adequate and that no further clarification is necessary.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Ronald E. Hays, Chairperson State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors

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