

**BEFORE THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO
BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS**

IN THE MATTER OF:

**WAYNE ELMER WITTKOP
APPLICANT**

Respondent.

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CASE NO. SW-10-07-12-APP

DECISION AND ORDER

THIS MATTER came before a quorum of the Board of Social Work Examiners ("Board") during their meeting on August 12, 2011 for a decision in the above referenced case.

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Board, having familiarized themselves with the record of the proceedings, including the Hearing Officer's Report, hereby makes the following findings of fact:

The Hearing Officer's Recommended Findings of Fact, numbered 1-7 are adopted in their entirety by unanimous vote. A copy of the Hearing Officer's Report is attached hereto.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the findings of fact, the Hearing Officer's Recommended Conclusions of Law, numbered 1-5 are adopted in their entirety by unanimous vote.

As such, the Board finds that Respondent's New Mexico application shall be denied on the grounds that he improperly practiced social work without a license.

ORDER

Based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Board unanimously votes in the affirmative and renders this Decision and Order:

IT IS ORDERED that Respondent's application to practice as a social worker in the State of New Mexico is hereby denied. Respondent shall be penalized in the amount of \$1,000. Respondent may subsequently reapply for licensure by the Board of Social Work Examiners and must meet all current qualifications for licensure.

**FOR THE NEW MEXICO
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DATE: 09/13/11



Alfredo Garcia, Chairman