# State of California Office of Administrative Law

In re:

**Board of Behavioral Sciences** 

**Regulatory Action:** 

Title 16, California Code of Regulations

Adopt sections:

Amend sections: 1805.05, 1850.6, 1850.7,

1854

Repeal sections: 1832 NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF REGULATORY **ACTION** 

**Government Code Section 11349.3** 

OAL Matter Number: 2022-1123-01

OAL Matter Type: Regular (S)

This rulemaking action by the Board of Behavioral Sciences amends regulations relating to education and degree requirements for licensure, examinations, and requirements when forming a professional corporation.

OAL approves this regulatory action pursuant to section 11349.3 of the Government Code. This regulatory action becomes effective on 4/1/2023.

Date:

January 10, 2023

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#### For use by Secretary of State only STATE OF CALIFORNIA-OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW **NOTICE PUBLICATION/REGU** EMERGENCY NUMBER REGULATORY ACTION NUMBER 3 -01 NOTICE FILE NUMBER OAL FILE **7.** 2022-0906-12 NUMBERS For use by Office of Administrative Law (OAL) only ENDORSED - FILED in the office of the Secretary or State of the State of California JAN 1 0 2023 OFFICE OF ADMIN. LAW 1:57 PM 2022 NOV 29 AM9:55 NOTICE REGULATIONS AGENCY FILE NUMBER (If any) AGENCY WITH RULEMAKING AUTHORITY **Board of Behavioral Sciences** A. PUBLICATION OF NOTICE (Complete for publication in Notice Register) FIRST SECTION AFFECTED 2. REQUESTED PUBLICATION DATE 1. SUBJECT OF NOTICE TITLE(S) Exam Waiting Periods; Corporations; Accreditation 1805.05 September 16, 2022 16 TELEPHONE NUMBER FAX NUMBER (Optional) 3. NOTICE TYPE Notice re Proposed 4. AGENCY CONTACT PERSON **Christy Berger** 916-574-7995 Regulatory Action ACTION ON PROPOSED NOTICE NOTICE REGISTER NUMBER PUBLICATION DATE OAL USE Approved as Approved as Disapproved 2022.37-2 9/16/2022 ONLY B. SUBMISSION OF REGULATIONS (Complete when submitting regulations) 1a. SUBJECT OF REGULATION(S) 1b. ALL PREVIOUS RELATED OAL REGULATORY ACTION NUMBER(S) Exam Waiting Periods; Corporations; Accreditation 2. SPECIFY CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE(S) AND SECTION(S) (Including title 26, if toxics related) ADOPT SECTION(S) AFFECTED (List all section number(s) AMEND individually. Attach additional sheet if needed.) 1805.05, 1850.6, 1850.7 and 1854 REPEAL TITLE(S) 16 1832 3. TYPE OF FILING Regular Rulemaking (Gov. X Certificate of Compliance: The agency officer named Emergency Readopt (Gov. **Changes Without Regulatory** Code §11346) below certifies that this agency complied with the Code, §11346.1(h)) Effect (Cal. Code Regs., title Resubmittal of disapproved or provisions of Gov. Code §§11346,2-11347,3 either 1, \$100) withdrawn nonemergency before the emergency regulation was adopted or File & Print Print Only filing (Gov. Code §§11349.3, within the time period required by statute. 11349.4) Resubmittal of disapproved or withdrawn Emergency (Gov. Code, Other (Specify) §11346.1(b)) emergency filing (Gov. Code, §11346.1) 4. ALL BEGINNING AND ENDING DATES OF AVAILABILITY OF MODIFIED REGULATIONS AND/OR MATERIAL ADDED TO THE RULEMAKING FILE (Cal. Code Regs. title 1, \$44 and Gov. Code \$11347.1) 5. EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGES (Gov. Code, §§ 11343.4, 11346.1(d); Cal. Code Regs., title 1, §100) Effective January 1, April 1, July 1, or Effective on filing with §100 Changes Without Effective October 1 (Gov. Code §11343.4(a)) Secretary of State Regulatory Effect other (Specify) 6. CHECK IF THESE REGULATIONS REQUIRE NOTICE TO, OR REVIEW, CONSULTATION, APPROVAL OR CONCURRENCE BY, ANOTHER AGENCY OR ENTITY Fair Political Practices Commission State Fire Marshal Department of Finance (Form STD, 399) (SAM §6660) Kimberly Kirchmeyer, Director, Department of Consumer Affairs Other (Specify) 7. CONTACT PERSON TELEPHONE NUMBER FAX NUMBER (Optional) E-MAIL ADDRESS (Optional) Christy Berger (916) 574-7995 christy.berger@dca.ca.gov For use by Office of Administrative Law (OAL) only I certify that the attached copy of the regulation(s) is a true and correct copy of the regulation(s) identified on this form, that the information specified on this form ENDORSED APPROVED is true and correct, and that I am the head of the agency taking this action, or a designee of the head of the agency, and am authorized to make this certification. SIGNATURE OF AGENCY HEAD OR DESIGNEE JAN 1 0 2023 11/22/2022 Stave Sodengeen TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNATORY Steve Sodergren, Executive Officer Office of Administrative Law

## **BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES**

#### ORDER OF ADOPTION

The Board of Behavioral Sciences of the Department of Consumer Affairs hereby adopts regulations in Division 18 of Title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, as follows:

# § 1805.05. REEXAMINATION.

- (a) A 90-day waiting period is required between attempts for applicants retaking a California law and ethics examination.
- (b) A 180120-day waiting period is required between attempts for applicants retaking a clinical examination, except as indicated in subdivision (c)(d).
- (c) A 180-day waiting period is required between attempts for applicants retaking the licensed educational psychologist examination.
- (e)(d) Waiting periods for national examinations that are accepted by the board shall be determined by that national testing entity.
- (d)(e) The Board's Executive Officer may allow for a lesser waiting period, as long as the integrity of the examination or examination security is not compromised.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 4980.60 and 4990.20(a), Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4980.50, 4984.72, 4989.22, 4992.1, 4996.4, 4999.52, 4999.54 and 4999.64, Business and Professions Code.

#### § 1850.6. NAME OF CORPORATION.

The wording or abbreviation denoting corporate existence shall be limited to one of the following: "Professional Corporation," "Prof. Corp.," "Corporation," "Corp.," "Incorporated," or "Inc."

Note: Authority cited: Sections 4980.60 and 4990.20, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4987.7, and 4998.2, and 4999.125, Business and Professions Code.

# § 1850.7. SHARES: OWNERSHIP AND TRANSFER.

- (a) The shares of a marriage and family therapist therapist, licensed clinical social worker, or licensed professional clinical counselor corporation may be issued or transferred only to the issuing corporation or to an appropriately licensed person in accordance with Section 13401.5 of the Corporations Code.
- (b) The shares of a licensed clinical social worker corporation may be issued or transferred only to the issuing corporation or to an appropriately licensed person in accordance with Section 13401.5 of the Corporations Code.

- (e)(b) Where there are two or more shareholders in a corporation and one of its shareholders dies, or becomes a disqualified person as defined in Section 13401(d) of the Corporations Code, for a period exceeding ninety (90) days, his or her the person's shares shall be sold and transferred to a licensed person or to the issuing corporation, on such terms as are agreed upon. Such sale or transfer shall not be later than six (6) months after any such death and not later than ninety (90) days after the date the shareholder became a disqualified person.
- (d)(c) A corporation and its shareholders may, but need not, agree that shares sold to it by a person who becomes a disqualified person may be resold to such person if and when he or she the person again ceases to become a disqualified person.
- (e)(d) The restrictions of subdivisions subdivision (a) or (b) where appropriate and, if appropriate, subdivision (e)(b) of this section shall be set forth in the corporation's bylaws or articles of incorporation.
- (f)(e) The income of the corporation attributable to professional, licensed services rendered while a shareholder is a disqualified person shall not in any manner accrue to the benefit of such shareholder or his or her the person's shares.
- (g)(f) The share certificates of the corporation shall contain either:
- (1) An appropriate legend setting forth the restriction of subdivision (a) or (b) where appropriate, and where applicable, the restriction of subdivision (e)(b), or
- (2) An appropriate legend stating that ownership and transfer of the shares are restricted and specifically referring to an identified section of the by-laws or articles of incorporation of the corporation wherein the restrictions are set forth.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 4980.60, 4988.2 and 4990.20, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4987.8, 4988, 4998.3, 4998.4, 4998.5, and 4999.126 and 4999.127, Business and Professions Code; and Sections 13401, 13401.5, 13403 and 13407, Corporations Code.

### § 1832. EQUIVALENT ACCREDITING AGENCIES.

The following accrediting agencies are essentially equivalent to Western College Association, which has been renamed the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, and Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools:

- (a) Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.
- (b) New England Association of Schools and Colleges.
- (c) North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.
- (d) Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.
- (e) The Credentials Evaluation Service of the International Education Research Foundation, Inc. when it evaluates the foreign degree as being equivalent to the required degrees, and those foreign degree programs meet the educational requirements for equivalent degrees and the specific course content and educational requirements as set forth in sections 4980.40 and 4980.41 of the Code.
- (f) State of California, Department of Education, Bureau of School Approvals with respect to its functions under Education Code section 29023(a)(2), when applied to

master's degree and/or doctoral programs which meet the requirements for an equivalent degree pursuant to section 1830 of these regulations, and the specific course content and educational requirements as set forth in sections 4980.40 and 4980.41, of the Code.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 4980.60 and 4990.20, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 4980.40, 4980.41 and 4999.12, Business and Professions Code.

# § 1854. EQUIVALENT DEGREES APPROVED EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Educational institutions approved by the board are defined as a college or university accredited by a regional or national institutional accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education. The board shall accept a degree deemed equivalent to that required by section 4989.20 of the Code by a foreign educational credentials evaluation service that is a member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services. one of the following agencies:

- (a) Western Association of Schools and Colleges.
- (b) Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.
- (c) Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.
- (d) New England Association of Schools and Colleges.
- (e) North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.
- (f) Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.
- (g) The Credentials Evaluation Service of the International Education Research Foundation, Inc., where it evaluates the foreign degree as being equivalent to the required degree.

Note: Authority cited: Section 4990.20(a), Business and Professions Code. Reference: Section 4989.20(a)(1), Business and Professions Code.

Signed: Steve Sodergren

Steve Sodergren, Executive Officer Dated: 1/06/2023