

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF OREGON

FRANK CANEPA,

Respondent,

v.

BOARD OF LICENSED
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS
AND THERAPISTS,

Petitioner.

Board of Licensed Professional Counselors
and Therapists No. 2023144

Appellate Court No. A188808

NOTICE OF ORDER ON
RECONSIDERATION

On May 12, 2026, pursuant to ORS 183.482(6) and ORAP 4.35, the Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists withdrew the Final Order and Final Order Assessing Costs for reconsideration.

On June 5, 2026, the Board issued its order on reconsideration and withdrew the Notice of Proposed Disciplinary Action. The order is attached to this notice.

Respectfully submitted,

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1 BEFORE THE BOARD OF LICENSED
2 PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS
3 STATE OF OREGON

4 In the Matter of)
5 FRANK CANEPA, LPC (C7920))
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Case No. 2023-144
WITHDRAWAL OF NOTICE OF
PROPOSED DISCIPLINARY ACTION

1.

9 The Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists (Board) is the state
10 agency responsible for licensing, regulating and disciplining licensed professional counselors (LPC),
11 licensed marriage and family therapists (LMFT) and registered associates in both professions in the
12 State of Oregon. Frank Canepa (Licensee) is an LPC in the State of Oregon.

2.

14 2.1 On October 9, 2024, the Board issued a Notice of Proposed Disciplinary Action
15 (Notice) in which it proposed to impose disciplinary and remedial action against Licensee pursuant to
16 ORS 675.745. Licensee timely requested hearing and a hearing was held.

17 2.2 On August 5, 2025, the Board issued a Final Order finding that Licensee had violated
18 ACA Ethical Standard A.4.b. Personal Values and ordering him to take six (6) hours of continuing
19 education and pay costs. On December 5, 2025, the Board issued a Final Order Assessing Costs in
20 the amount of \$89,636.43.

21 2.3 On October 2, 2025, Licensee filed a petition for judicial review to the Oregon Court
22 of Appeals, challenging the Board's Final Order. That was later extended to include the Board's
23 Final Order Assessing Costs.

24 2.4 On May 12, 2026, pursuant to ORS 183.482(6), the Board withdrew the Final Order
25 and Final Order Assessing Costs for reconsideration in light of the United States Supreme Court's
26 March 31, 2026, decision in *Chiles v. Salazar*, 607 US ___, 146 S Ct 1010 (2026).

2.5 Having reconsidered the matter, on June 5, 2026, the Board voted to withdraw the Notice of Proposed Disciplinary Action without prejudice.

3.

The Board hereby WITHDRAWS its Notice of Proposed Disciplinary Action in this matter without prejudice.

DATED this 05 day of June 2026.

Oregon Board of Licensed Professional
Counselors and Therapists

By 
Daniel Reeser, LMFT
Board Chair

NOTICE OF FILING AND PROOF OF SERVICE

I certify that on June 9, 2026, I directed the original Notice of Order on Reconsideration to be electronically filed with the Appellate Court Administrator, Appellate Records Section, and electronically served upon Matthew A. Wand, attorney for petitioner, and Andrew S. Mathers, attorney for amicus curiae Samaritan's Purse, by using the court's electronic filing system.

I further certify that on June 9, 2026, I directed the Notice of Order on Reconsideration to be served upon Philip Andrew Sechler and Paul Logan Spena, attorneys for petitioner, by mailing a copy, with postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to:

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