1 MARK BRNOVICH RE(JEIVED Attorney General 2 (Firm State Bar No. 14000) FEB 1 5 2018 3 SABRINA KHAN Assistant Attorney General State Bar No. 032409 4 2005 N. Central Avenue 5 Phoenix, AZ 85004-1592 Tel: (602) 542-7985 Fax: (602) 364-3202 Attorneys for the Arizona State Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners 7 8 BEFORE THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY 9 In the Matter of Complaint No. 18-OTA-4974 10 CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR ANGEL CHAYREZ, LETTER OF CONCERN 11 Renewal Applicant as an Occupational 12 Therapist Assistant in the State of Arizona. (Non-Disciplinary) 13 14 RECITALS 15 The Arizona State Board of Occupational Therapy ("Board") pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3401 et seg., and Angel Chayrez ("Applicant") enter into the following Recitals, 16 17 Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order ("Consent Agreement"). 18 **CONSENT AGREEMENT** 19 Applicant has read and understands this Consent Agreement and has had 1. 20 the opportunity to discuss this Consent Agreement with an attorney, or has waived the opportunity to discuss this Consent Agreement with an attorney. 21 Applicant understands that she has a right to a public administrative hearing 22 2. 23 concerning this matter, at which hearing she could present evidence and cross-examine 24 witnesses. By entering into this Consent Agreement, Applicant knowingly and

voluntarily relinquishes all right to such an administrative hearing, as well as rights of

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rehearing, review, reconsideration, appeal, judicial review or any other administrative and/or judicial action, concerning the matters set forth herein.

- 3. Applicant affirmatively agrees that this Consent Agreement shall be irrevocable.
- 4. Applicant understands that this Consent Agreement or any part of the agreement may be considered in any future disciplinary action by the Board.
- 5. Applicant understands this Consent Agreement deals with this matter involving allegations that Applicant engaged in conduct that would subject her to discipline and/or denial of licensure pursuant to Board's statutes and rules. The investigation into these allegations against Applicant shall be concluded upon the execution of this Consent Agreement.
- 6. Applicant understands that this Consent Agreement does not constitute a dismissal or resolution of any other matters currently pending before the Board, if any, and does not constitute any waiver, express or implied, of the Board's statutory authority or jurisdiction regarding any other pending or future investigation, action or proceeding.
- 7. Applicant also understands that acceptance of this Consent Agreement does not preclude any other agency, subdivision, or officer of this State from instituting any other civil or criminal proceedings with respect to the conduct that is the subject of this Consent Agreement.
- 8. Applicant acknowledges and agrees that, upon signing this Consent Agreement and returning this document to the Board's Executive Director, she may not revoke her acceptance of the Consent Agreement or make any modifications to the document regardless of whether the Consent Agreement has been signed by the Executive Director. Any modification to this original document is ineffective and void unless mutually agreed by the parties in writing.

- 9. This Consent Agreement becomes effective when signed by the Executive Director on behalf of the Board.
- 10. If a court of competent jurisdiction rules that any part of this Consent Agreement is void or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the Consent Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
- 11. Applicant understands that this Consent Agreement is a public record that may be disseminated as a formal action of the Board.
- 12. Applicant agrees that the Board adopts the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED BY APPLICANT

ANGEL CHAYREZ
Applicant

Dated: <u>48/18</u>

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Applicant was issued an Occupational Therapist Assistant's License, License Number 4974 on November 21, 2015 that expired on November 20, 2017, if not timely renewed.
- 2. Applicant applied to the Arizona Occupational Therapy Board Examiners as a renewal applicant, and her application was complete as of January 5, 2018.
- 3. At the January 12, 2018 Regular Meeting, the Board reviewed Applicant's application and supporting documentation.
- 4. Applicant disclosed that she had practiced as an occupational therapist assistant for a period of five (5) days while her license was expired \(\bigcirc \bigcir \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc

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5. Upon deliberation and review, the Board voted to issue a Letter of Concern, which is non-disciplinary, as the final resolution of this matter.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for licensing and regulating the practice of Occupational Therapy in the State of Arizona pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3401, et seq.
- 2. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter and the Applicant pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3401, *et seq*.

LETTER OF CONCERN

(Non-Disciplinary)

Based upon the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and under the authority granted to the Board, it hereby issues the following:

The Arizona Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners is charged with the responsibility of regulating the practice of occupational therapy in the State of Arizona pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3401, et seq. At its meeting on January 12, 2018, the Board voted to issue you a Letter of Concern, pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3442, as the final resolution in this matter, for practicing while your license was expired for five (5) days.

A Letter of Concern, as defined in A.R.S. § 32-3401(4), is a non-disciplinary advisory letter to notify a licensee that, while there is insufficient evidence to support disciplinary action, the licensee should modify or eliminate certain practices and that continuation of the activities that led to the information being submitted to the board may result in future action against the licensee's license. (Citations Omitted).

Board Matter Number 18-OTA-4974 is now resolved with the issuance of this non-disciplinary Letter of Concern.

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7	By: Karen White
8	KAREN WHITEFORD Executive Director
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11	ORIGINAL OF THE FORGOING FILED this Ath day of March, 2018, with:
12	Arizona State Board of Occupational Therapy 1740 West Adams Street, Suite 3407
13	Phoenix, AZ 85007
14	EXECUTED COPY OF THE FOREGOING MAILED BY CERTIFIED MAIL
15	this 9th day of March, 2018, to:
16	Angel Chayrez
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18	COPY OF THE FOREGOING EMAILED
19	this of March, 2018, to:
20	Sabrina Khan Assistant Attorney General
21	2005 N. Central Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85004-1592
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