BEFORE THE IOWA BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF:)	CASE NUMBER: 03-001
CYNTHIA QUINN,)	STATEMENT OF CHARGES
Respondent.)	

TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT:

The Iowa Board of Social Work Examiners has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 17A, 154C, and 272C.

Licenses issued by the Board are subject to the laws of the state of Iowa and to the administrative rules of the Board.

Respondent Cynthia Quinn was at all times during the following events a licensed social worker. Respondent was issued license number 05242 to practice as a social worker in the state of Iowa on November 9, 1998, as recorded in the permanent records in the office of the Board. Respondent's license to practice social work in Iowa is inactive.

Respondent's current address as reported to the Board is 1420 Penn Avenue, #8, Des Moines, IA, 50316.

COUNT I

Pursuant to Iowa Code section 272C.9(1) and 645 Iowa Administrative Code 283.2(12), 283.2(19) and 283.2(20), Respondent is charged with failing to comply with a Confidential Order for Evaluation issued by the Board.

COUNT II

Pursuant to 645 Iowa Administrative Code 282.2(13)"a"(2) and 283.2(29)"e", Respondent is charged with practicing social work while experiencing a mental impairment that adversely affects the ability of the licensee to perform professional duties in a competent and safe manner.

CIRCUMSTANCES OF COUNTS I and II

- 1. On February 14, 2005, the Board issued a Confidential Order for Evaluation, finding that probable cause existed to order Respondent to undergo a comprehensive mental status evaluation, based on information that Respondent had numerous difficulties performing her duties as a social worker due to mental health issues.
- 2. The information received by the Board indicates that Respondent repeatedly failed to report to work and repeatedly failed to keep scheduled appointments with clients without informing clients of her absence or making arrangements for her clients to receive necessary services. The information received by the Board indicates that Respondent's employer received several complaints from colleagues and other professionals regarding her behavior.
- 3. Respondent failed to comply with the requirements of the Confidential Order for Evaluation.

FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On November 14, 2005, the Iowa Board of Social Work Examiners found probable cause to file this Statement of Charges and to order that a hearing be set in this case.

This statement of charges is approved by the board on November 14, 2005.