

The Supreme Court of Ohio

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Toledo Bar Association,
Relator,
v.
Raye-Lynn Abreu,
Respondent.



Case No. 2015-1955

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ORDER

CLERK OF COURT
SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

The Board on the Unauthorized Practice of Law filed its final report in this court on December 8, 2015, recommending that, pursuant to Gov.Bar R.VII(5b), the Supreme Court of Ohio issue an order approving the consent decree proposed by relator, Toledo Bar Association, and respondent, Raye-Lynn Abreu.

On consideration thereof, consistent with the opinion rendered herein, this court finds that respondent has engaged in the unauthorized practice of law and approves the proposed consent decree submitted by the parties.

It is ordered by the court that respondent is enjoined from all activities that constitute the unauthorized practice of law, including (1) rendering advice or providing a strategy for the appropriate way to reduce resources in order to achieve Medicaid, including rendering advice or providing strategy for spending down and arranging assets and income to meet Medicaid eligibility requirements, and (2) marketing or advertising in any fashion that respondent will provide advice or strategy for the appropriate way to reduce resources in order to achieve Medicaid, including marketing or advertising in any fashion that respondent will provide advice or strategy for spending down and arranging assets and income to meet Medicaid eligibility requirements. It is further ordered that respondent shall make restitution to Susan Heasley in the amount of \$7,275.00.

It is further ordered that respondent provide reimbursement of costs and expenses incurred by the board and relator in the amount of \$1,877.90, which costs shall be payable to this court by cashier's check or money order, on or before 30 days from the date of this order. It is further ordered that if these costs are not paid in full on or before 30 days from the date of this order, interest at the rate of 10% per annum shall accrue on the balance of unpaid board costs, effective 30 days from the date of this order. It is further ordered that if costs are not paid in full on or before 30 days from the date of this order, this matter will be referred to the Attorney General for collection, and respondent may be found in contempt.

It is further ordered that the clerk of this court issue certified copies of this order as provided for in Gov.Bar R. VII(19)(E); that publication be made as provided for in Gov.Bar R. VII(19)(F); and that respondent bear the costs of publication.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Maureen O'Connor".

Maureen O'Connor
Chief Justice