

**LOUISIANA BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR
SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY (LBESPA)**

IN THE MATTER OF

LBESPA ADMINISTRATIVE

LAURA TIRCUIT

#2011-03

PL-SLP LICENSE #5876

CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER

WHEREAS, Laura Tircuit is a licensed Provisional Speech-Language Pathologist subject to the jurisdiction and Rules, Regulations and Procedures of the Louisiana Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "Board"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an administrative investigation, the Provisional Speech-Language Pathologist, Laura Tircuit, has indicated her desire to resolve this matter through a Consent Agreement and Order as provided for in Rule No. 501(H) of the board's Rules, Regulations and Procedures and LA R.S. 49:955(D) of the Louisiana Administrative Procedures Act; and

WHEREAS, the Board is persuaded that it is in the best interest of the public to enter into this Consent Agreement and Order, the conditions of which are set forth hereafter;

WHEREAS, Laura Tircuit hereby formally waives any and all legal, administrative, procedural, or judicial remedies, appeals, or relief which might be available under the Administrative Procedure Act, the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Act, or any other law or statute;

WHEREAS, the Board and Licensee have entered into this Consent Agreement and Order by which the Board agrees to resolve the complaint. Licensee agrees to accept the following specified conditions in resolution of the complaint.

WHEREAS, Laura Tircuit admits to providing speech-language pathology services from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 without supervision, which is a violation of §125 of the Rules, Regulations and Procedures.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that in consideration of the foregoing and pursuant to the authority vested in the Board by LA R.S. 49:955(D), the Board orders and Laura Tircuit accepts the following administrative action which is a final decision pursuant to the LA R.S. 49:958:

1. Within ninety (90) days of the date all parties sign this Consent Agreement and Order, Licensee shall successfully complete an open book examination, and pay all related testing fees, regarding Louisiana Revised Statute 37:2650-2666 (The Practice Act); the Board's Rules, Regulations and Procedures; and Ethical Questions.
2. Licensee's request for upgrade is denied; and she must practice as a Provisional Speech-Language Pathologist under the supervision of a Speech-Language Pathologist until June 30, 2011. Licensee is eligible to apply for a license upgrade after June 30, 2011. Licensee agrees to remain under the supervision of a Speech-Language Pathologist until her upgrade is approved by the Board.

3. Licensee waives any and all legal, procedural, or judicial remedies, appeals, or relief which might be available under the Administrative Procedures Act, and the statutory and procedural rules of the Louisiana Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology.
4. Licensee specifically acknowledges that failure to comply with the terms of this Consent Agreement and Order in a timely manner without LBESPA's authorization shall result in **SUSPENSION** of licensure without further notice until such time as the Board receives and accepts documentation of Applicant's completion of the requirements set forth above. The admissions contained herein, will be considered proven and the only issue will be failure to follow the terms of the Consent Agreement and Order.

THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT AND ORDER is a matter of public record for violation of the above referenced sections of the Louisiana Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Practice Act and the Rules, Regulations and Procedures. Licensee is to be Publicly Reprimanded for violation of the above referenced sections in the Practice Act (LA R.S. 37:2650 et seq.) and the Rules, Regulations and Procedures. Such reprimand shall include publication by LBESPA, notification to the Louisiana Speech-Language Hearing Association (LSHA), American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA), Speech Pathologists and Audiologists in Louisiana Schools (SPALS), the Department of Education, and the Healthcare Integrity and Protection (HIP) Data Bank.

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IN WITNESS HEREOF, the Louisiana Board of Examiners for Speech-
Language Pathology and Audiology has entered into this Consent Agreement
and Order and executed same at Baton Rouge, Louisiana on this the
2nd day of October, 2010.

Stephen J. Harris
Stephen J. Harris, L-AUD/SLP, Chair

Theresa H. Rodgers
Theresa H. Rodgers, L-SLP, Vice Chair

Kerrilyn Phillips
Kerrilyn Phillips, L-SLP, Secretary-Treasurer

Jim Huilley
Board Member

IN WITNESS HEREOF, Laura Tircuit, PL-SLP, has entered into this
Consent Agreement and Order and executed same at
Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on this 28th day of
August, 2010.

Laura Tircuit
Laura Tircuit, PL-SLP

Kenesha Antoine
Notary

NOTARIZATION REQUIRED

KENESHA ANTOINE
NOTARY NO. 86023
BAR ROLL NO. 31019
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES AT DEATH

