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**N.J.A.C. 13:34-10.2**

**Text**

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**Notice of Receipt of Petition for Rulemaking**

**Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners**

**Professional Counselor Examiners Committee**

Petitioner: Doreen Consulmagno, LPC.

**Take notice** that on June 25, 2024, the Professional Counselor Examiners Committee (Committee) of the Board of Marriage and Family Therapy Examiners received a petition for rulemaking from Doreen Consulmagno, LPC, requesting that the Committee amend the definition of "qualified supervisor" at N.J.A.C. 13:34-10.2 to remove licensed clinical social workers from the list of individuals eligible to supervise licensed associate counselors. In addition, if the petition is granted, the petitioner recommends that the Committee reject any proposed plan of supervision submitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:8B-50 that includes a licensed clinical social worker as a qualified supervisor once the amended definition goes into effect.

Currently, the definition of "qualified supervisor" at N.J.A.C. 13:34-10.2 includes individuals licensed to practice professional counseling, marriage and family therapy, psychology, psychiatry, and social work. The petitioner states that the experience, education, and training social workers receive does not meet the experience, education, and training criteria to become a licensed professional counselor. Consequently, the petitioner believes that licensed associate counselors supervised by licensed clinical social workers may not get the full benefit from supervision, as their supervisors may lack the training and experience necessary to guide and support them. Lastly, the petitioner notes that applicants for licensure as clinical social workers are not permitted to be supervised by licensed professional counselors and believes that the reverse should be true.

In accordance with the provisions at N.J.A.C. 1:30-4.2, a copy of this notice has been mailed to the petitioners, and the Executive Director of the Committee will subsequently mail to the petitioners and file with the Office of Administrative Law a notice of action on the petition.

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