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# OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALASKA

#### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Victoria Caltagirone

Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development

FROM: April Simpson, Office of the Lieutenant Governor

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**DATE:** August 12, 2022

RE: Filed Permanent Regulations: The Board of Socail Work Examiners

Board of Social Work Examiners regulations re: temporary military courtesy licenses and

licensing requirements (12 AAC 18)

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cc with enclosures:

Colleen Bailey, Department of Law

Judy Herndon, LexisNexis

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## ORDER CERTIFYING THE CHANGES TO REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

The attached three pages of regulations, dealing with temporary military courtesy license and supervision of experience for clinical social work license, are hereby certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Board of Social Work Examiners adopted at its April 26, 2022 videoconference meeting, under the authority of AS 08.01.062, AS 08.01.063, AS 08.01.075, AS 08.95.030, AS 08.95.050, and AS 08.95.110, and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

On the record, in considering public comments, the Board of Social Work Examiners paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes described in this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

DATE:	4/29/2022	
		CocuSigned by:
		Brandon Ercanbrack
		Brandon Ercanbrack, LCSW, Chair Board of Social Work Examiners

Kevin Meyer, Lieutenant Governor

Effective: September 1, 2022.
Register: 243, October 2022.

#### FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, KEVIN MEYER, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, designate the following state employees to perform the Administrative Procedures Act filing functions of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor:

Josh Applebee, Chief of Staff
Kady Levale, Notary Administrator
April Simpson, Regulations and Initiatives Specialist

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed the Seal of the State of Alaska, in Juneau, on December 11th, 2018.

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KEVIN MEYER LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

#### Chapter 18. Board of Social Work Examiners.

12 AAC 18 is amended by adding a new section to read:

12 AAC 18.108. Temporary military courtesy license. (a) The board will issue a temporary military courtesy license to an active duty military member or spouse of an active duty military member of the armed forces of the United States to practice as a baccalaureate social worker, master social worker, or clinical social worker who meets the requirements of AS 08.01.063 and this section not later than 30 days after the board receives a completed application.

- (b) An applicant for a temporary military courtesy license under this section
  - (1) must submit a completed application on a form provided by the department;
- (2) must pay the temporary license application fee and fee for a temporary license set out under 12 AAC 02.105;
  - (3) must submit a copy of
  - (A) the applicant's current active duty military orders showing assignment to a duty station in this state; or
  - (B) if the applicant is the spouse of an active duty military member, the applicant's spouse's current active duty military orders showing assignment to a duty station in this state;
- (4) must submit documentation showing the applicant is currently licensed in another licensing jurisdiction and the applicant's license in the other jurisdiction is not suspended, revoked, or otherwise restricted except for failure to apply for renewal or failure to obtain the required continuing education requirements; and

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- (5) may not have been convicted of a crime that affects the applicant's ability to practice social work competently and safely, as determined by the board.
- (c) A temporary military courtesy license issued to an active duty military member or spouse of an active duty military member under this section will be issued for a period of 180 days and may be renewed for one additional 180-day period, at the discretion of the board.
- (d) While practicing under a temporary military courtesy license issued under this section, the holder of the temporary military courtesy license must comply with the standards of practice set out in AS 08.95 and this chapter.
- (e) The board may refuse to issue a temporary military courtesy license for the same reasons that it may deny, suspend, or revoke a license under AS 08.01.075 and AS 08.95.050.

(Eff. 9 / 1\ / 2022, Register 243)

**Authority:** AS 08.01.062 AS 08.01.075 AS 08.95.050

AS 08.01.063 AS 08.95.030 AS 08.95.110

#### 12 AAC 18.115(a) is amended to read:

(a) To meet the requirements of AS 08.95.110(a)(2), an applicant for a clinical social work license must document at least 100 hours of direct clinical supervision equitably distributed throughout the supervised period. No more than 50 hours required by this subsection may be in group supervision. For good cause shown, the board <u>may</u> [WILL, IN ITS DISCRETION,] grant a written request from an applicant for an exception to the limitation on the number of group supervision hours.

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The introductory language of 12 AAC 18.115(b) is amended to read:

(b) The board <u>may</u> [WILL, IN ITS DISCRETION,] approve the supervision of experience of an applicant for a clinical social work license to satisfy the requirements of AS 08.95.110(a)(2) if the clinical supervisor

. . .

12 AAC 18.115(d) is repealed:

(d) Repealed 9 / 11 /2022.

12 AAC 18.115 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(f) In this section, "face-to-face meetings" are meetings in which a supervisor and an applicant can speak and hear simultaneously. Face-to-face meetings may occur in person or via any electronic means of communication that allows the supervisor and applicant to speak and hear simultaneously. (Eff. 10/14/99, Register 152; am 10/31/2008, Register 188; am

9 / 11 / 2022, Register 243

**Authority:** AS 08.95.030 AS 08.95.110