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STATE OF OHIO
Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Columbus

I, John R. Kasich, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, James G. Minikowski, Independent, from Solon, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, as a Member of the Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage and Family Therapist Board for a term beginning March 30, 2018 and ending at the close of business October 10, 2020, replacing John E. Heaton, who resigned.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I
have hereunto subscribed my name
and caused the Great Seal of the State
of Ohio to be affixed, at Columbus, this
30th day of March in the year of our
Lord, Two Thousand and Eighteen.

John R. Kasich
Governor

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OHIO SENATE

James G. Minikowski

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Independent Marriage and Family Therapist (IMFT-S), *Psychological and Behavioral Consultants*,
Beachwood and Willoughby Hills, OH *August 2009- Present*

- Lead Clinician for organization headquarters; develop and implement policies for administrative and clinical practices
- Provide individual and family systemic therapy to a diverse population of clients
- Conduct initial biopsychosocial assessment to formulate a psychological diagnosis and create an individualized treatment plan
- Respond to the critical psychological needs of clients by providing on-call coverage, urgent situation interventions, and emergency sessions
- Establish and maintain continuity of care communication with other psychological and/or healthcare providers
- Lead blog writer for community outreach program

Instructor/Independent Contractor, *Lakeland Community College*,
Kirtland, OH *August 2010- December 2012*

- Review proposals and provide feedback to instructors for continuing education units (CEU) intended for Marriage and Family therapists
- Provide approval of content for authorization of CEU's submitted to the Ohio State Counselor, Social Worker, and Marriage & Family Therapist Board

Psychotherapist/Marriage & Family Therapist, *Psychiatric Comprehensive Care, PC*,
Norwich, CT *November 2002-August 2009*

- Provided psychotherapy to a wide variety of clients in individual and family care
- Worked with both long and short term modalities of treatment
- Recognized for having the practice's highest rate of client visits, best client attendance, and highest recuperation of fees for five consecutive years
- Permanent member of the Quality Management Committee, which successfully completed the implementation of a new policy manual, oversaw the expansion of the staff and office facilities, and dealt with all manners of quality care
- Reason for leaving: moved to Northeastern Ohio

Primary Therapist, *Care Plus Partial Hospital Program (PHP), Saint Francis Hospital*,
Groton, CT *May 2001-February 2003*

- Facilitated clinical group therapy for rolling admissions, case load of substance abusing and psychologically diagnosed adult populations
- Provided educational group therapy in relapse prevention, psychological issues, goal planning, and men's groups.
- Maintained case management through managing clinical care, cooperative care with prescription providers, establishing aftercare, and clinical/insurance reviews
- Reason for leaving: greater opportunity to fulfill career goals

**Float Clinician, *Saint Francis Hospital*,
Portland, CT**

March 2001-May 2001

- Facilitated group therapy to adolescent populations in order to stabilize transitional programs
- Provided therapy in clinical school based care and acute residential care
- Reason for leaving: promoted to a new position within the hospital

**Mental Health Worker, *Saint Francis Care Partial Hospital Program (PHP)*,
Norwich and Groton, Connecticut**

August 1997-March 2001

- Worked with both adult and youth populations to manage decompensating behaviors in order to establish and return patients to an effective therapeutic milieu in a partial hospitalization (PHP) setting
- Quality assurance review of the documentation and charting of client information and care
- Updated and implemented administrative procedures to support administrative and therapeutic practices

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

- Approved Supervisor designation, State of Ohio (since January 2015)
- Licensed Independent Marriage and Family Therapist, State Of Ohio, #F0900003, (since 2009)
- Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist, State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health, #000983, (active 2002-2010)
- National Provider Identifier (NPI), #1235354101
- The Coalition for Affordable Quality Healthcare (CAQH), Provider ID #11491946

EDUCATION

**Masters of Marriage and Family Therapy, *St. Joseph's College*,
Hartford, CT**

January 1998-December 2000

- Program accredited by the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists (AAMFT)
- Student Internship, *Thames Valley PHP*, Norwich, CT; September 1999-August 2000
 - Facilitated group and family therapy care of adolescent population in a PHP level of care
 - Provided case management of clients with case load
 - Set school record for number of client contact hours provided in a one year internship

**Bachelors of Psychology, *University of Connecticut*,
Storrs, CT**

September 1991-May 1995

MEDIA COVERAGE

- Lead blog writer, *PsychBC Blog*, November 2009-present
 - Blog shared on *HuffParents*, March 2015
- Contributing writer, *The Beachwood Buzz*, May 2014
- Special guest TV appearance, *The Robin Swoboda Show*, January 2011

GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Date: 3/30/2018

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Term Begins: 10/11/2017
Term Ends: 10/10/2020
Party Affiliation: Independent
Senate Confirmation: Appointed by the Governor, confirmed by the Senate
Financial Disclosure: Public disclosure required
Vice: John E. Heaton