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To Whom It May Concern,

On the 7th of July 2014, I became a North Carolina Fee-Based Practicing Pastoral Counselor (NCFBPPC). I was number 98. Though it's only been eight years ago, it seems to have been much longer. Maybe that's because since 2006, I knew I wanted to be a pastoral psychotherapist more than anything in the world. I was halfway through divinity school at Wake Forest University, in my third year as Associate Pastor/Minister of Youth and Children at First Baptist Church of Pilot Mountain, and realizing that I was being "called" to the work of spiritually integrated psychotherapy. In 2013, I entered a residency program at CareNet Counseling through Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist which provided specialized training/education in spirituality and psychotherapy.

Currently, I am employed by Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist where I work through an entity within the hospital known as BestHealth. I provide behavioral health consultation to the employees of both Forsyth County Government and Flow Automotive. This translates into an accessibility and availability that approximately 4000 employees have to me 24 hours per day, 7 days a week. I have also maintained an outpatient counseling practice in Mt. Airy through our CareNet location there. In addition to these clinical responsibilities, I serve as minister to the congregations of both Collinstown and Francisco Presbyterian Churches. Regardless of what the future holds for our profession, I will remain indebted to the supervisors, professors, and colleagues who softly nudged me towards this "home" of practice and profession. As a NCFBPPC, I love what I do but even more so, I am grateful for the way I have been trained and groomed to be a pastoral counselor. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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