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MEMORANDUM

TO: Arne W. Owens
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DATE: November 7, 2022

SUBJECT: *Regulations Governing the Practice of Professional Counseling; Regulations Governing the Practice of Marriage and Family Therapy*
18VAC115-20; 18VAC115-50

I have reviewed the *Regulations Governing the Practice of Professional Counseling*, 18VAC115-20, and the *Regulations Governing the Practice of Marriage and Family Therapy*, 18VAC115-50, as adopted by the Board of Counseling on September 16, 2022. The Board has the statutory authority to adopt these regulations under Virginia Code §§ 54.1-2400, 54.1-3503, and 54.1-3505. The proposed amendments are constitutional and do not conflict with existing federal or state laws or regulations.