

# STATE CREDENTIALING BOARD

## RESEARCH PROJECT

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## PART 1

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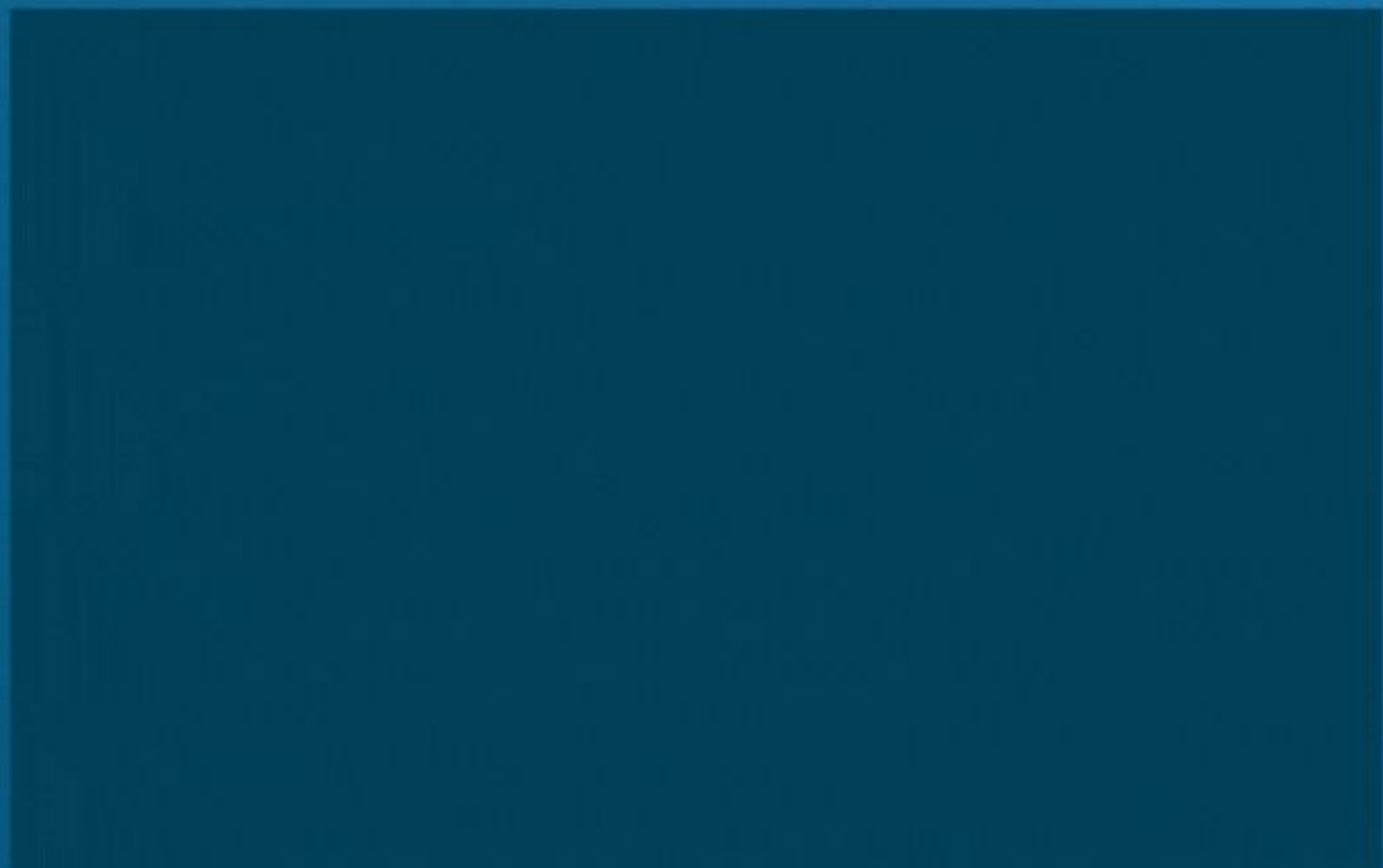
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## PART 2

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# STATUTES THAT GOVERN BOARD ACTIVITY

LAWS TITLE 32 CHAPTER 33



# POWERS AND DUTIES

## Board Rules:

- Therapists can obtain continuing education credits
- Meets at least every June to elect officers
- Adopts rules
- Issues licenses after examination
- Keeps records, including complaints
- Conducts investigations
- Takes disciplinary actions
- Accepts, expends, and accounts for money

## ARTICLE 1

**The appointment to the board; qualifications to be a board member; necessary trainings; powers and duties, complaint processes, board reviews; written communications; and methods of communication transmission (AZBB, 2019).**

Article 1: 32-3253 - Qualifications

## ARTICLE 2

**Academic review committees, controlling the appointment of new applicants, terms of board membership,: board member compensation; immunity to legal action; and necessary trainings (AZBBHE, 2021).**

32-3253: Academic Review

## ARTICLE 3

**The licensure process, required licensing fees; educational requirements for board members; membership withdrawal; and required change of address notifications (AZBBHE, 2021).**

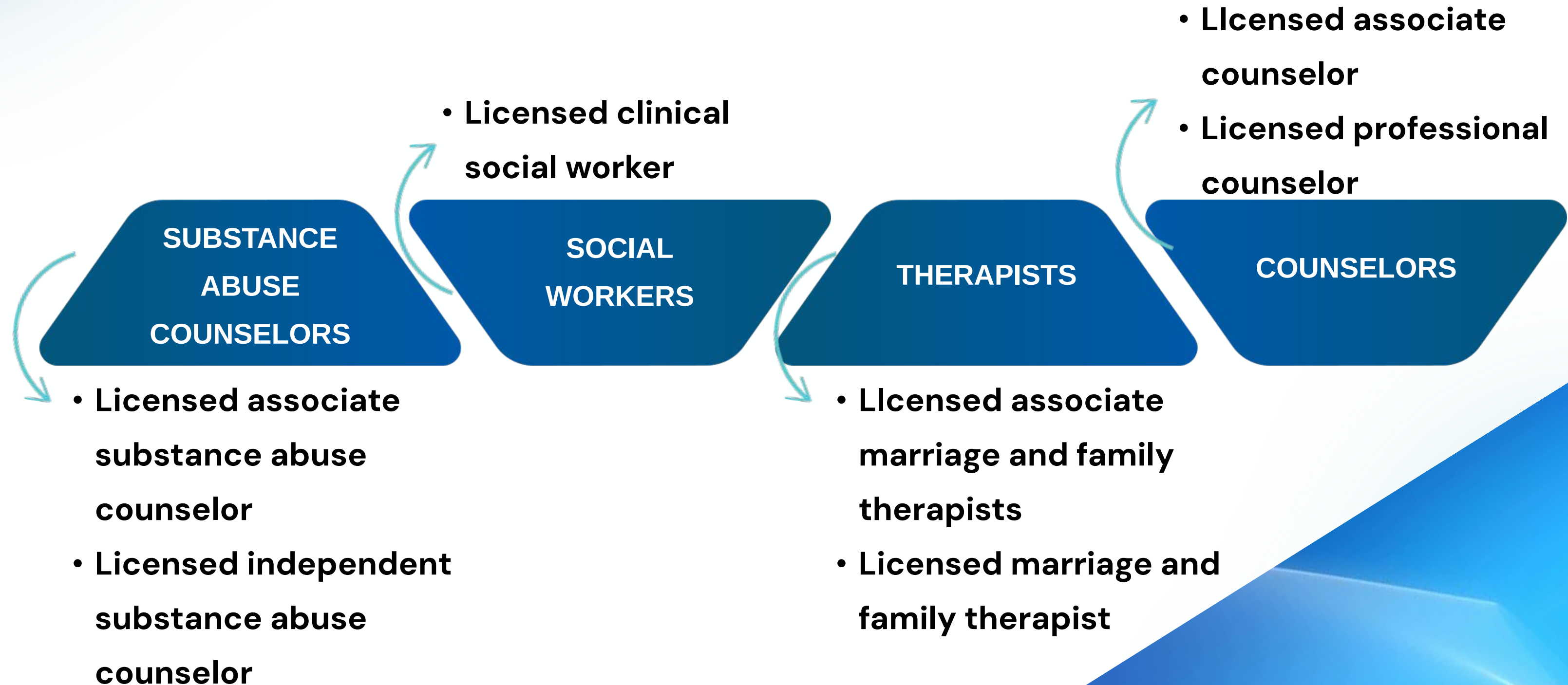
32-3253: Licensure

## ARTICLE 4

**The disciplinary process, filing complaints, the investigatory process, client confidentiality, and privacy regarding privileged communication. (AZBHHE, 2021).**

32-3253 - Regulation

# DISCIPLINES REGULATED BY THE AZBBHE



# COMMITTEES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

## Board Members:

- Twelve total members
- Eight mental health professionals
- Four public individuals

## Four Academic Credentialing committees:

- Review licensee applications
- Determine licensee qualification



## BOARD MEETINGS

include the following:

*Call to order*

*Roll call*

*Review of cases up for dismissal*

*Revidew of cases involved in complaints*

*Formal Interviews*

*Temporary license review*

*Staff reports*

# CURRENT MEMBERS:

- Tobi Zavala, Executive Director
- Erin Yabu, Deputy Director
- Elma Brambilla, Assistant Director
- Fawn Becker, Executive Assistant
- Chrystal Mackesy, Project Specialist
- Taylor Beck, Renewal Specialist
- Jarett Carver, Investigations Manager
- Flo Fragala, Senior Investigator
- Jimena Castillo-Casaus, Investigator
- Ale Findlay, Investigator
- Michelle Rassi, Investigator
- Theresa Mendoza, Investigative Assistant
- Zuri De Lucio, Credentialist
- Jenny Webb, Credentialist
- Laura Zaragoza, Credentialist
- Christine Arvizu, Credentialing Assistant
- Juleen Lino, Credentialing Assistant

## SCOPE OF AUTHORITY

### The Board licenses and regulates:

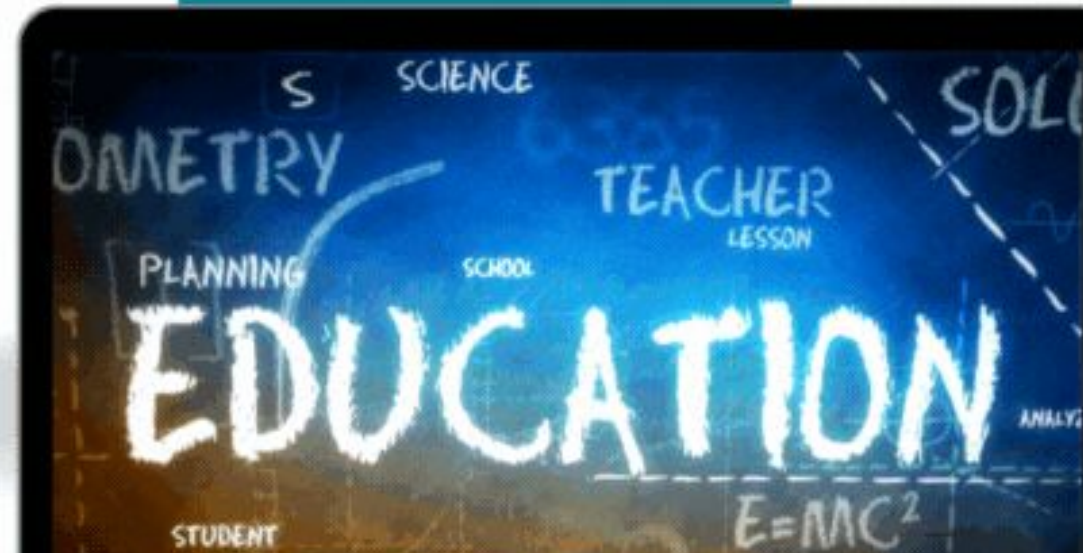
- **social workers**
- **counselors**
- **marriage and family therapists**
- **substance abuse counselors**



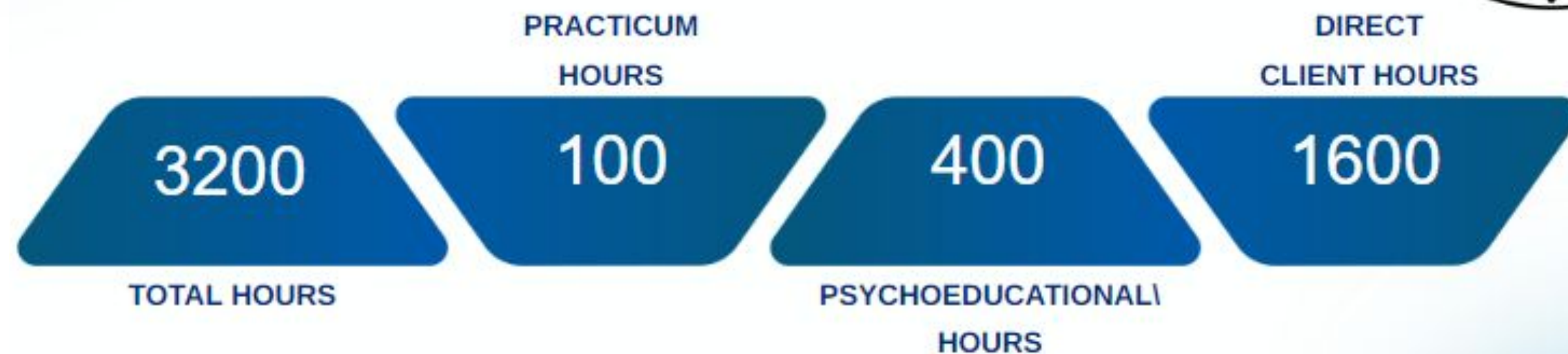
# EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

## Educational Requirements:

- The State of AZ requires professional counselors to obtain a Master's degree in counseling from a CACREP accredited program, to include 60 semester hours (AZBBHE, 2019).



## Hour Requirements before licensure:



# ADDITIONAL

## LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

### License seekers must

- **Pass the National Counselor Examination (NBCC, 2019).**
- **Submit an thoroughly completed application, including requested documentation**
- **Pay a license fee of \$250**
- **Obtain a fingerprint card for \$40**
- **Complete a background check**
- **Adhere to the ACA Code of Ethics (American Counseling Association, 2014)**



- The Board reviews complaints against licensed professional counselors in Arizona.
- The Board does not review complaints by a supervisee against a supervisor
- Handles unlicensed individuals performing counseling
- Complaints must not be anonymous
- Application may take up to six months

## POSSIBLE OUTCOMES

After review, the board recommends a course of action, which could include:

- Dismissing the complaint (or)
- Taking non-disciplinary actions (or)
- Possible disciplinary actions.

## POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES:

- Nondisciplinary order
- Consent Agreement
- Board-approved rehabilitation or retraining program
- Formal interview
- Suspension
- Dismissal
- Revocation of license

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