

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD
LEGAL DIVISION**

CONSENT ORDER

IN THE MATTER OF:

**Berean Assembly of God Church
Janet Parady, Legal Representative
989 New Haven Avenue
Milford, CT06460**

**Re: Little Eagles Pre-Kindergarten Center
1003 New Haven Avenue
Milford, CT 06460
Child Care Center License # 15824**

WHEREAS, Berean Assembly of God Church of Milford, Connecticut (“Operator”), has been issued license # 15824 to operate a Child Care Center named Little Eagles Pre-Kindergarten Center located at 1003 New Haven Avenue, Milford, Connecticut (“Facility”) by the Connecticut Office of Early Childhood (“Agency”) pursuant to General Statutes § 19a-80 (b);

WHEREAS, Janet Parady is the Legal Representative of the Operator and therefore is duly authorized and empowered to act on behalf of the Operator and to bind the Operator to the terms and conditions contained in this Consent Order;

WHEREAS, the Operator admits and acknowledges that the violations contained in the Statement of Charges dated September 2, 2022 (attached hereto as Exhibit A) did occur;

WHEREAS, the Operator provided the requested records on September 7, 2022, after its license was summarily suspended by the Agency. Following the receipt of the records, the Agency was able to complete the underlying investigation. The Agency closed its investigation of the complaint and did not substantiate the underlying allegations.

WHEREAS, the foregoing acts referenced in the Statement of Charges constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to General Statutes § 19a-84, taken in conjunction with §§ 19a-79-1a et seq. of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies;

WHEREAS, the parties desire to fully resolve the matter without further proceeding;

WHEREAS, this Consent Order embodies the entire agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter involved herein. All previous communications and agreements, with regard to the subject matter of this Consent Order, whether oral or written, between the parties are superseded unless expressly incorporated herein or made a part hereof; and,

WHEREAS, the Operator, in consideration of this Consent Order, has chosen not to contest the above admissions before a hearing officer and further agrees that this Consent Order shall have the same effect as if ordered after a full hearing pursuant to § 19a-84; and,

THEREFORE, pursuant to General Statutes § 4-177, the Operator hereby stipulates and agrees to the following:

1. This Consent Order fully and completely resolves the admissions referenced above without any further proceeding.
2. This Consent Order may be considered as evidence of the above admitted violations in any subsequent proceeding or determination before the Agency in which (1) the Operator's compliance with this same Consent Order is at issue, or (2) the Operator's compliance with any state or federal statute and/or regulation is at issue.
3. The Operator waives its right to a hearing on the merits of this matter.
4. This Consent Order and terms set forth herein are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack, or judicial review under any form or in any forum, including any right of review under the Uniform Administrative Procedure Act, Chapter 368a of the Statutes, or Regulations that exist at the time the Consent Order is executed or may become available in the future, provided that this stipulation shall not deprive the Operator of any other rights that it may have under the laws of the State of Connecticut or of the United States.
5. This Consent Order is a revocable offer of settlement that may be modified by mutual agreement or withdrawn at any time prior to its being signed by the Commissioner of Connecticut Office of Early Childhood or her designee.
6. This Consent Order is a matter of public record and will be reported in accordance with state and federal laws and/or regulations and Agency policy. The Consent Order may be posted on the Agency's website.
7. Any extension of time or grace period granted by the Agency for any condition of this Consent Order shall not constitute a waiver or preclude the Agency's right to take action at a later time. The Agency shall not be required to grant future extensions of time or grace periods.
8. If, within three years from the effective date of this Consent Order, the Agency determines, pursuant to its own investigation, without a hearing, that the Operator denied the Agency immediate access to the facility, staff, and/or records, the Agency may, at its sole discretion, revoke the license, without a hearing or other recourse or review, including judicial review in any forum or court. The Operator shall thereupon cease operation upon receipt of notice from the Agency.
9. The Operator shall pay a civil penalty of \$500.00 (five hundred dollars) for failure to comply with the Regulations, due and payable upon the Operator's signing this Consent Order. The Operator shall submit the payment by check payable to "Treasurer, State of Connecticut" and mail to: Connecticut Office of Early Childhood, Legal Division, 450 Columbus Blvd., Suite 303, Hartford, CT 06103, Attention: MaryBeth Miller, Staff Attorney.
10. Any violation of the terms of this Consent Order shall constitute grounds for the Agency to take any other available legal action against the Licensee.

- 11. Legal notice of any action shall be deemed sufficient if sent to the Operator’s last address of record, as reported by the Licensee to the Connecticut Office of Early Childhood Division of Licensing.
- 12. This Consent Order is effective upon the signature of the Commissioner’s designee if a hearing has not been scheduled or by the Commissioner if a hearing has been scheduled, at which time it shall become final and an Order of the Commissioner of the Connecticut Office of Early Childhood.
- 13. The terms of this Consent Order shall be binding upon and enforceable against the Legal Operator’s successors and assigns, as provided by law.
- 14. The Operator has had the opportunity to consult with an attorney prior to signing this Consent Order.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, which have caused this Order to be executed by their respective officers and officials, declare the execution of this Consent Order to be their free act and deed. Janet Parady represents that he/she is authorized to sign this Consent Order on behalf of the Operator and bind the Operator to the terms and conditions contained in this Consent Order.

OPERATOR
Janet Parady

CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD
Beth Bye, Commissioner

By: Janet Parady

By: _____
Debra L. Johnson, Director
Division of Licensing

Date Signed: 9/28/22

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EXHIBIT A

IN THE MATTER OF:

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STATEMENT OF CHARGES

Pursuant to § 19a-84 of the Connecticut General Statutes, (“Statutes”) and 19a-79-2a(d) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies (“Regulations”), the Connecticut Office of Early Childhood (“Agency”) hereby provides notice of its intent to seek revocation or other disciplinary action as the Agency deems appropriate and consistent with the law against the above named Child Care Center license based on the following charges:

1. Berean Assembly of God Church of Milford, Connecticut, (“Operator”) is, and has been at all times referenced in this Statement of Charges, the holder of Connecticut Child Care Center License # 15824 to operate child care center named Little Eagles Pre-Kindergarten Center, and, as such, is responsible for compliance with the requirements of §§ 19a-79-1a through 19a-79-13 of the Regulations and/or Chapter 368a of the Statutes.
2. Janet Parady is the legal representative of Berean Assembly of God Church.
3. On and/or after August 25, 2022, the Operator failed to grant the Agency immediate access to its records upon the request of the Agency in violation of § 19a-79-3a (h) of the Regulations.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut this 2nd day of September, 2022.

Debra L.
Johnson

Digitally signed by Debra L. Johnson
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Johnson, ou=US United States, ou=US United
States, ou=Office of Early Childhood, ou=Division
of Licensing, email=Debra.Johnson@ct.gov
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Debra L. Johnson, Director
Division of Licensing
Connecticut Office of Early Childhood

DLJ:MBM:

cc: Hearing Office
Amy Schwarzkopf, Child Care Licensing Supervisor
Kevin Eddy, Child Care Licensing Specialist