Grace Psychological Health Services, PLLC Dr. LaRonda Starling 1506 W. Pioneer Pkwy, Ste 107 Arlington, Texas, 76013 <u>AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION</u>	
	ate of birth is, authorize to disclose to and/or obtain from the following
information:	
Diagnosis	al or check each item to be disclosed/released.) Presence/Participation in Treatment Progress in Treatment Treatment Plan or Summary
Person/Entity information is requested to b	e disclosed to and/or obtained from by Dr.
Starling:	
Name:	_
Number:	
Fax:	
Address:	
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Purpose

The purpose of this request/disclosure of information is to improve assessment and treatment planning, share information relevant to treatment and when appropriate, coordinate treatment services. If other purpose, please specify: ______

Revocation

I understand that I have a right to revoke this authorization, in writing, at any time by sending written notification to Dr. LaRonda Starling at her office address (1506 W. Pioneer Pkwy, Suite 107 Arlington, Texas, 76013). I further understand that a revocation of the authorization is not effective to the extent that action has been taken in reliance on the authorization.

Expiration

Unless sooner revoked, this authorization expires on ______, or as otherwise indicated: ______

Conditions

I further understand that my treatment will not be conditioned on whether I give authorization for the requested disclosure. However, it has been explained to me that failure to sign this authorization may have the following consequences:

Form of Disclosure

Unless you have specifically requested in writing that the disclosure be made in a certain format, we reserve the right to disclose information as permitted by this authorization in any manner that we deem to be appropriate and consistent with applicable law, including, but not limited to, verbally, in paper format or electronically.

Confidentiality

I will take every reasonable measure to ensure your confidentiality. It is important to note that psychological evaluation reports, if requested to be sent from this office, have limits to confidentiality because information gathered during this time period from clients and/or family/representatives is included in a final report. Furthermore, confidentiality and privileged communication is limited under Texas law and professional codes of ethics. I am required to report any suspicions or evidence of child abuse; abuse of those who are elderly or disabled; a person's intent to take harmful, dangerous, or criminal action against another human being or against himself or herself, and other limitations outlined under the law and professional codes of ethics. Additionally, I disclose confidential information, if required, in the case of lawsuits filed for claims of mental/emotional damages and if you file suit against your Clinician/Therapist for breach of duty.

Redislcosure

Federal law prohibits the person or organization to whom disclosure is made from making any further disclosure of substance abuse treatment information unless further disclosure is expressly permitted by the written authorization of the person to whom it pertains or as otherwise permitted by 42 C.F.R. Part 2. Other types of information may be re-disclosed by the recipient of the information in the following circumstances:

Consultation/Non-Therapeutic Uses of Information and/or Attendance in Court

The information requested or disclosed should be for the continuation of care to another mental health provider and/or for the client's informational purposes and/or for coordination of care with the client's other health providers. A consultation fee (to be paid by client, or parent if client is a child) of \$250/hour is charged in the event that Dr. Starling is needed to consult or communicate with any party that is not the client or parent that is not a counseling session. Payment is due at the time of the communication, and half of the charge will be refunded in the event the communication lasts between 1 to 30 minutes (per communication). 2 of 3

or disclose information from or to a third party who is not involved in the client's continuation of therapeutic care (e.g., a licensed professional counselor or other licensed mental health care provider). This includes consultations about the client with said third parties that may not be solely focused on the requested information. Individuals working in the legal profession (i.e., lawyers) are not considered a part of the client's continuation of therapeutic care. I understand that this communication may be in the office or over the telephone, payment is due at the time of the communication, and Dr. Starling does not communicate to or about clients using nonsecure methods (i.e., e-mail, text messages).

A session fee of \$250/hour will be charged in the event that Dr. Starling is requested to obtain

Additionally, the below schedule of fees may be charged according to the descriptions and are due at time of service:

1. Preparation time (including submission of records): \$220/hour

2.Phone calls: \$250/hour

- 3.Depositions: \$250/hour
- 4. Time required in giving testimony: \$250/hour
- 5.Mileage: \$0.56/mile
- 6. Time away from office due to depositions or testimony: \$250/hour
- 7.All attorney fees and costs incurred by the therapist as a result of the legal action.
- 8. Filing a document with the court: \$100

9. The minimum charge for a court appearance: \$1500 (due at least 72 business hours before the scheduled court appearance)

Even though you are responsible for the testimony fee and other fees listed above, it does not mean that my testimony and/or professional opinions will be solely in your favor. I can only testify to the facts of the case and to my professional opinion. If a subpoena or notice to meet attorney(s) is received without a minimum of 48-hour notice there will be an additional \$250 "express" charge. Also, if the case is reset with less than 72 business hours notice, then the client will be charged \$500 (in addition to the retainer of \$1500).

I understand that I can request a copy of this authorization for my records.

Signature of Client

Signature of Parent, Guardian or Personal Representative Date

If you are signing as a personal representative of an individual, please describe your authority to act for this individual.

Check here if client refuses to sign authorization.

Signature of Staff Witness

Date

Date