BEFORE THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR DISCIPLINE OF THE AMERICAN MIDWIFERY CERTIFICATION BOARD

In the Disciplinary Matter of: Kathleen Breault

Respondent

Issue Date: 7-24-2025

FINAL DECISION

The AMCB obtained the Judgment in a Criminal Case in the United States District Court Eastern District of New York for case entitled United States of America v. Kathleen Breault (Case Number: 23-cr-00158-001 (RPK)). The Respondent was charged with Conspiracy to Defraud the United States and plead guilty.

In accordance with AMCB procedures, the case documents were reviewed by the AMCB President. In a letter dated April 8, 2025, AMCB notified Respondent of the Proposed Revocation of CNM Certification due to violations of the following sections of our Disciplinary Policy:

- A.8 Conviction of, plea of guilty to, or plea of nolo contendere to a crime directly relating to midwifery practice and/or public health and safety. Individuals convicted of a felony described in this section shall be ineligible to apply for certification or recertification for a period of three (3) years from the exhaustion of appeals, completion of probation or final release from confinement (if any), whichever is later.
- A.9 Engaging in unprofessional conduct, including but not limited to (i) any practice that creates unnecessary danger to a patient's life, health or safety; and (ii) any practice that is contrary to the ethical conduct appropriate to the profession that results in termination or suspension from practice. Actual injury to a patient or the public need not be shown under this provision.

The notice requested that the Respondent submit a written answer to these charges within 30 days of receipt of the letter. In an email dated June 10, 2025, Respondent provided a letter of explanation. In that letter Respondent acknowledged the seriousness of her actions and legal consequences and recognized that her actions violated legal and public health guidelines, however she believes she aligns with the ACNM Code of Ethics.

The Executive Committee for Discipline considered the charges against Respondent and the above-described matters of record. The Committee unanimously concluded that the Respondent's actions do not align with the ACNM Code of Ethics. The committee further

concluded that Respondent engaged in conduct that violates the following Disciplinary Policy of the AMCB: A.8, and A.9. Therefore, the CNM certification of Kathleen Breault is hereby revoked.

This Decision will become effective 30 days from the issue date above and will be published once effective.

Executive Committee for Discipline

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