

1                                   **BEFORE THE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGIST EXAMINERS**  
2                                   **FOR THE STATE OF ARIZONA**

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4 **In the Matter of :**                                    )  
5 **Martin Gangley**                                    )  
6 **An Unlicensed Individual**                        )  
7 **in the State of Arizona**                        )  
8    )  
  **Respondent**

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9           On February 13, 2020, the Arizona Board of Psychologist Examiners (“Board”) met in  
10 open session to discuss the above-referenced case for the purposes of determining whether  
11 grounds existed to issue a Cease and Desist Order to Martin Gangley ("Respondent").  
12 Respondent did not appear despite being properly noticed.

13                                    **FINDINGS OF FACT**

14           1.    Respondent has never held a license with the Board to practice psychology in the  
15 State of Arizona and upon information and information and belief, he is not licensed in any  
16 other profession in the State of Arizona.

17           2.    In 2014, the Board received a complaint, no. T-14-12, against Respondent, which  
18 alleged that he was holding himself out to be a psychologist and psychiatrist and that he  
19 maintained a website where he solicited therapy clients.

20           3.    On November 7, 2014, the Board reviewed Complaint no. T-14-12 and expressed  
21 concern that Respondent was holding him out as a psychologist and psychiatrist and may be  
22 billing insurance companies with false credentials. Respondent did not respond to the  
23 allegations nor participate in the Board proceedings. After deliberation, the Board to refer this  
24 matter to the Attorney General’s Office, alert the Arizona Medical Board, and to send a letter to  
25 the Federal Bureau of Investigation expressing the Board’s concern regarding Respondent.

26           4.    On October 15, 2019, Board staff received an email from an anonymous  
27 individual, which indicated that they reviewed Respondent’s LinkedIn profile and noted it  
28 appears that Respondent was again holding himself out to be a licensed psychologist and

1 possibly practicing psychology without a license. A complaint, no. T-20-02, was subsequently  
2 opened for investigation.

3 5. Respondent did not submit a response to the allegations nor respond to Board  
4 staff's correspondence.

5 6. On February 13, 2020, the Board reviewed Complaint T-20-02. Respondent was  
6 not present despite being notified of the meeting. The following was noted by the Board:

7 a. The investigation found that:

- 8 • Respondent opened a business in 2019 called "HighQ Behavioral Health"  
9 for which he created a website, [www.highqbehavioralhealth.org](http://www.highqbehavioralhealth.org);
- 10 • Respondent maintained a business profile on Yelp for HighQ Behavioral  
11 Health, which stated the following, "I became a psychologist because of  
12 my passion for working with people, my interest in the human mind..."  
13 Respondent stated that he offers mental health treatment and specializes in  
14 treatment trauma and anxiety. Additionally, Respondent posted a picture of  
15 himself on the profile with a stethoscope around his neck.
- 16 • Respondent maintained a profile on the [www.wecounsel.com](http://www.wecounsel.com) website, in  
17 which he refers to himself as "Dr."; represents that "I hold 2 PHDs in  
18 Psychology and an additional one in medicine. I also have the following  
19 certifications Hypnotherapy Practitioner, Counselling Practitioner,  
20 Mindfulness Practitioner, Cognitive Behavior therapy practitioner, NLP  
21 Practitioner, and life coaching"; states that he provides individual/couples  
22 counseling and life coaching and that his specialty is treating Attachment  
23 Disorder and Schizoaffective Disorder.
- 24 • On Respondent's LinkedIn profile, he refers to himself as "Dr."  
25 Respondent listed HighQ Behavioral Care as his current employment since  
26 May 2019 and stated that he is providing mental health services to adults  
27 and adolescents.
- 28 • Respondent created a National Provider Identifier (NPI) in 2019 and is

1 representing that he holds a Ph.D. in psychology and “medicine”.

2 b. Since opening of the complaint, some modifications were made to  
3 Respondent’s online presence, but there are still instances where he is  
4 representing to the public that he is performing services that may constitute  
5 practicing psychology.

6 7. The Board unanimously voted to issue Respondent a Cease & Desist Order and to  
7 forward the information to the Arizona Medical Board.

8 **VIOLATION**


9 1. The services advertised by Respondent in complaint no. T-20-02 constitute the  
10 unauthorized practice of psychology as defined at A.R.S. § 32-2084(A).

11 **ORDER**

12 1. Under the authority set forth in A.R.S. § 32-3227(C), the Board orders  
13 Respondent to immediately Cease and Desist from practicing psychology as defined at A.R.S.  
14 §32-2084(A) or holding himself out as lawfully able to practice psychology until such time he  
15 is licensed to do so. If Respondent continues to engage in such activity in violation of the  
16 Board’s statutes and rules, the Board may pursue injunctive relief pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-  
17 2083.

18 DATED this 21 day of December, 2020.

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20 ARIZONA BOARD OF  
21 PSYCHOLOGIST EXAMINERS

22  
23 By:   
24 Heidi Herbst Paakkonen  
25 Executive Director

26 **ORIGINAL** filed electronically  
27 this 21 day of December, 2020, with:

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2 **COPY** mailed by regular and certified mail # **9489009000276155081440**  
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