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### **PSYCHOLOGY BOARD SEEKS TO SUSPEND PSYCHOLOGIST'S LICENSE** *Vacaville Psychologist Accused of Sexual Misconduct with Inmate Patient*

SACRAMENTO, Calif.– The California Board of Psychology (Board) is seeking the revocation of the license of Molly Malone, Psy.D. [#PSY26735](#), of Vacaville for allegedly engaging in a sexual relationship with an inmate patient.

According to the Board's December 2020, Accusation, Malone repeatedly engaged in inappropriate sexual misconduct over the course of several years with one inmate. The incidents allegedly occurred while she was employed as a clinical psychologist with the California Department of State Hospitals, Vacaville Psychiatric Program and again while functioning as the senior psychologist specialist at the California Medical Facility within the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

The Board alleges Malone was grossly negligent in the practice of her profession for her acts, and omissions, including but not limited to engaging in a sexual relationship with an inmate while serving as a staff psychologist in a prison setting and failing to abide by the rules and regulations governing the conduct of employees in an institutional setting.

This matter is set for hearing July 12-19, 2021.

The Accusation is available to view at <https://search.dca.ca.gov>.

The Board of Psychology would like to remind consumers that its brochure "Therapy Never Includes Sexual Behavior" is available online to [view or download](#). For information on how to file a complaint or information about the Board of Psychology, visit [www.psychology.ca.gov](http://www.psychology.ca.gov).

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