**UNAPPROVED**

**BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

**MINUTES**
**SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE "C"**

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| **TIME AND PLACE:** | Special Conference Committee "C" convened on April 3, 2015 at 9:05 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 2nd Floor Conference Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233. |
| **PRESIDING:** | James D. Watkins, D.D.S. |
| **MEMBERS PRESENT:** | Charles E. Gaskins, III, D.D.S. |
| **MEMBERS ABSENT:** | Sharon W. Barnes<br>Evelyn M. Rolon, D.M.D. |
| **STAFF PRESENT:** | Kelley W. Palmatier, Deputy Executive Director<br>Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager<br>Tiffany A. Laney, Adjudication Specialist |
| **QUORUM:** | With two members present a quorum was established. |
| **Cathie Hidalgo Seaman, D.D.S.**<br>**Case No.: 154275** | Dr. Seaman appeared with counsel, Courtney Paulk, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated February 11, 2015. The Committee received statements and additional evidence from Dr. Seaman and Ms. Paulk and discussed the allegations with them. |
| **Closed Meeting:** | Dr. Gaskins moved that the Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Cathie Hidalgo Seaman. Additionally, Dr. Gaskins moved that Ms. Palmatier, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Laney attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed. |
| **Reconvene:** | Dr. Gaskins moved that the Committee certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and passed. |

**DECISION:**
**Case No.: 154275**

Ms. Laney reported that the Committee found that Dr. Seaman administered and billed for sedation to patients in her dental office, despite the fact that she did not hold either a conscious/moderate sedation permit or a deep sedation/general anesthesia permit issued by the Board.

Dr. Seaman administered non-intravenous conscious sedation to Patient A in the form of triazolam and hydroxyzine on April 5, 2012, November 11, 2013, and January 3, 2014; and also administered non-intravenous conscious sedation to Patient B in the form of triazolam and hydroxyzine on January 28, 2014.

Dr. Seaman failed to obtain informed written consent from Patient A prior to administering sedation to her on April 5, 2013, November 11, 2013, and January 3, 2014.

The Committee also found that Dr. Seaman failed to take a biennial inventory of all C-II through C-V drugs that she maintained in her office stock, despite the fact that she maintained and administered controlled substances.

The sanctions reported by Ms. Laney were that Dr. Seaman shall be issued a reprimand; pay a $12,500.00 monetary penalty; and that she shall successfully complete the Board's Dental Law Exam.

Dr. Gaskins moved to adopt the decision of the Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Upon a motion by Dr. Gaskins, the minutes from the Informal Conference conducted on February 20, 2015 were approved.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

James D. Watkins, D.D.S., Chair

Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director

Date

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