

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF FUNERAL DIRECTORS & EMBALMERS
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

September 29, 2016

Department of Health Professions
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite #300
Henrico, Virginia 23233

CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 11:01 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Blair Nelsen, FSL, Chair
Connie Steele, FSL

DHP STAFF PRESENT: Kathy Petersen, Discipline Operations Manager
Emily Tatum, Adjudication Specialist

MATTER: **Behzad Ameri, Funeral Service Intern**
Registration # 0505-00394
Case # 173044

DISCUSSION: Mr. Ameri appeared before the Committee in accordance with the Notice of the Board dated August 25, 2016. Ms. Ameri was present and was represented by Courtney C. Williams, Esq.

The Committee fully discussed the allegations as referenced in the August 25, 2016, Notice of Informal Conference.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Ms. Steele, and duly seconded by Mr. Nelsen, the Committee voted to 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 Behzad Ameri. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Petersen and Ms. Tatum attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its discussions. The Committee entered into closed session at 11:20 a. m.

RECONVENE: Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee re-convened in open session at 11:32 a.m.

DECISION: Upon a motion by Ms. Steele and duly seconded by Mr. Nelsen, the Committee moved to place Mr. Ameri's registration on Indefinite Probation subject to certain terms and conditions.

The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Blair Nelsen, FSL, Chair

Corie Tillman Wolf, Executive Director

Date

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