

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
March 7, 2014
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee (“Committee”) of the Board of Social Work (“Board”) convened on March 7, 2014, at 10:23 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: John Salay, LCSW
Bernadette Winters, LCSW

STAFF PRESENT: Catherine Chappell, Executive Director
Sarah Georgen, Licensing Manager
Peter Opper, Adjudication Specialist

MATTER SCHEDULED: Phillip McLean
License No.: 0904-000642
Case No.: 148783

DISCUSSION: Mr. McLean appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated September 10, 2013, to review allegations that he may have violated portions of the laws and regulations governing the practice of social work in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Mr. McLean was represented by John W. Luxton, Esquire. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Mr. McLean.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Ms. Winters and duly seconded by Mr. Salay, the Committee voted to convene in 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 Phillip McLean. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Chappell, Ms. Georgen and Mr. Opper attend the closed meeting, because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations.

RECONVENE: Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee reconvened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION: Upon a motion by Ms. Winters and duly seconded by Mr. Salay, the Committee made certain recommended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and voted to offer Mr. McLean a Consent Order for indefinite suspension of his license, in lieu of a formal hearing. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

The Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Mr. McLean and the Board.

ADJOURNMENT: The Committee adjourned at 12:07 p.m.

John Salay, LCSW, Chair

Catherine Chappell, Executive Director

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