

**CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE  
Minutes  
February 20, 2009**

The Credentials Committee met on Thursday, February 20, 2009 at 8:15 a.m. at the Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Claudette Dalton, MD  
Jane Piness, MD

**STAFF PRESENT:** William L. Harp, MD, Executive Director  
Ola Powers, Deputy Executive Director of Licensing  
Leigh Kiczales, APD

**CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Claudette Dalton called the meeting to order.

The instructions for emergency evacuation were read prior to the conference.

**INFORMAL CONFERENCE**

**Thomas Lee Crowder, MD**

Thomas Lee Crowder, MD appeared before the Committee to respond to its inquiry regarding the possible refusal to issue a license to practice medicine pursuant to Virginia Code Sections 54.1-2915(A)(4). Upon conclusion of the discussion, Dr. Dalton entertained motions. Dr. Piness moved to convene a closed meeting pursuant to section 2.2-3711 A. (28) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Dr. Crowder. Additionally, she moved that, Dr. Harp, Ola Powers and Leigh Kiczales, attend the closed meeting because their presence would aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried. Upon motion made, seconded and carried, the Committee returned to open session following the procedure for certification of an executive meeting pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3712.

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Dr. Piness moved to recommend denial of a license to Dr. Crowder pursuant to the findings of fact noted in the Notice of Hearing dated January 27, 2009. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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Claudette Dalton, MD, Chair

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William L. Harp, M.D.  
Executive Director

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Ola Powers,  
Deputy Executive Director, Licensing