

**BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
INFORMAL CONFERENCE
MARCH 14, 2013
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS
RICHMOND, VA**

CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Johnson, DVM – Chair
Joseph May, DVM

STAFF PRESENT: Leslie Knachel, Executive Director
Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division
Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Catherine M. Bivens, DVM**
License No.: 0301202327
Case No.: 143396

DISCUSSION: Dr. Bivens was not present in person, but was present via conference call, in accordance with a notice of Informal Conference dated January 9, 2013. She was represented by counsel, John Conrad, who was present in person. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Dr. Bivens.

CLOSED SESSION: On properly seconded motion by Dr. May, the Special Conference Committee recessed Open Session and convened in Closed Session pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(28) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter regarding **Catherine M. Bivens, DVM**. Additionally, it was moved that Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division and Terri Behr, Operations Manager Board of Veterinary Medicine, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations. 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: Based on the Investigative Report and discussion of the case with Dr. Bivens, the SCC issued an Order to Dr.

Bivens with a reprimand and a monetary penalty of \$500. The hearing adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Mark A. Johnson, DVM

Leslie Knachel, Executive Director

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CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 1:18 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Johnson, DVM - Chair
Joseph May, DVM

STAFF PRESENT: Leslie Knachel, Executive Director
Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division
Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT: Gary Hunt
Sheila Hunt

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Catherine W. Reiss, DVM**
License No.: 0301202436
Case No.: 144840

DISCUSSION: Dr. Reiss appeared before the Committee in accordance with a Notice of Informal Conference dated January 9, 2013. Dr. Reiss was represented by counsel, John Conrad. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Dr. Reiss.

CLOSED SESSION: On properly seconded motion by Dr. May, the Special Conference Committee recessed Open Session and convened in Closed Session pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(28) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter regarding **Catherine W. Reiss, DVM**. Additionally, it was moved that Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division and Terri Behr, Operations Manager Board of Veterinary Medicine, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations. 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: Based on the Investigative Report and discussion of the

case with Dr. Reiss, the SCC issued an Order to Dr. Reiss with a reprimand and a monetary penalty of \$1000. The hearing adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Mark A. Johnson, DVM

Leslie Knachel, Executive Director

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- CALL TO ORDER:** An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 3:08 p.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mark Johnson, DVM - Chair
Joseph May, DVM
- STAFF PRESENT:** Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division
Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Diana Vreeken
- MATTER SCHEDULED:** **Kristin M. Carow, DVM**
License #: 0301202646
Case No. : 144442
- DISCUSSION:** Dr. Carow appeared before the Committee in accordance with a Notice of Informal Conference dated January 9, 2013. Dr. Carow was represented by counsel, John Conrad. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Dr. Carow.
- CLOSED SESSION:** On properly seconded motion by Dr. May, the Special Conference Committee recessed Open Session and convened in Closed Session pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(28) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter regarding **Kristin M. Carow , DVM.** Additionally, it was moved that Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division and Terri Behr, Operations Manager, Board of Veterinary Medicine, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations. 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:** Based on the Investigative Report and discussion of the case with Dr. Carow, the SCC dismissed the case. The hearing adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Mark A. Johnson, DVM

Leslie Knachel, Executive Director