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**VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

September 23, 2015 Department of Health Professions Henrico, Virginia
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite #300

CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 9:14 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Siobhan Dunnavant, M.D., Chair
Kenneth Walker, M.D.
Maxine Lee, M.D.

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director
Jennie F. Wood, Discipline Case Manager
La Tonya Hucks, Adjudication Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT: Eric Swisher, M.D. (expert witness on behalf of Dr. Diaz)

MATTER: **Sumac Diaz, M.D.** **License No.: 0101-230549**
Case No.: 142576

DISCUSSION: Dr. Diaz appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated November 6, 2014. Dr. Diaz was represented by Meredith Brebner, Esquire.

The Committee fully discussed the allegations in the Notice with Dr. Diaz

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Dr. Lee, and duly seconded by Dr. Walker, 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 Dr. Diaz. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Wood 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 re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION:

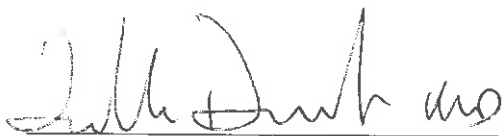
Upon a motion by Dr. Walker, and duly seconded by Dr. Lee, the Committee voted to exonerate Dr. Diaz.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

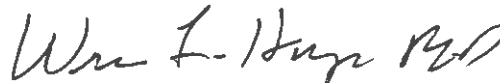
ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 9:57 a.m.



Siobhan Dunnavant, M.D., Chair

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William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

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- CALL TO ORDER:** A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 10:58 a.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kenneth Walker, M.D., Chair
Siobhan Dunnivant, M.D.
Maxine Lee, M.D.
- STAFF PRESENT:** Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director
Jennie F. Wood, Discipline Case Manager
La Tonya Hucks, Adjudication Specialist
- MATTER:** Debra J. Thomas, M.D. License No.: 0101-248544
Case No.: 156250
- DISCUSSION:** Dr. Thomas appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated July 17, 2015. Dr. Thomas was not represented by counsel.
- The Committee fully discussed the allegations in the Notice with Dr. Thomas
- CLOSED SESSION:** Upon a motion by Dr. Dunnivant, and duly seconded by Dr. Lee, 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 Dr. Thomas. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Wood 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 re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Dunnavant, and duly seconded by Dr. Lee, the Committee made certain findings of fact and voted to take no action because Dr. Thomas' license was expired.

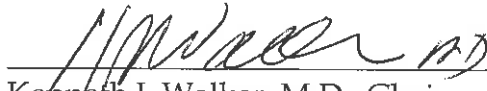
VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

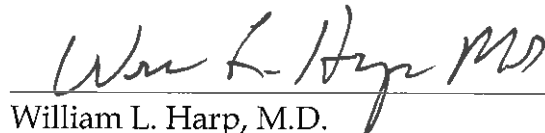
The Committee adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Dr. Thomas, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Dr. Thomas, within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail three (3) additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of the Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.



Kenneth J. Walker, M.D., Chair
President

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William L. Harp, M.D.
Executive Director

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CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 1:35 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kenneth Walker, M.D., Chair
Siobhan Dunnavant, M.D.
Maxine Lee, M.D.

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director
Jennie F. Wood, Discipline Case Manager
Dale Lutke, Adjudication Specialist

MATTER: Ruby M. Tucker, M.D. License No.: 0101-225807
Case Nos.: 151885, 152209, 152210, 152808, 152662, 153731

DISCUSSION: Dr. Tucker appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated August 17, 2015. Dr. Tucker was represented Michael Sweeney, Esquire.

The Committee fully discussed the allegations in the Notice with Dr. Tucker.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Dr. Walker, and duly seconded by Dr. Lee, 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 Dr. Tucker. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Wood 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 re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Mackler, and duly seconded by Dr. Lee, the Committee made certain findings of fact and conclusions of law and voted to issue Dr. Tucker a reprimand.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 4:10 p.m.


As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Dr. Tucker, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Dr. Tucker, within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail three (3) additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of the Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.



Kenneth J. Walker, M.D., Chair
President

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William L. Harp, M.D.
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