

APPROVED

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE
PERIMETER CENTER
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300
Richmond, Virginia 23233**

DATE, TIME & PLACE: On May 10, 2018, at 6:30 a.m., the Board convened by telephone conference call with a quorum of the Board present, and the Board President presiding as Chair, in order to consider whether a practitioner's ability to practice osteopathic medicine constituted a substantial danger to public health and safety pursuant to Va. Code §54.1-2408.1.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin O'Connor, M.D., Chair, President
David Archer, M.D.
J. Randolph Clements, D.P.M.
Lori Conklin, M.D.
Alvin Edwards, Ph.D.
Jane Hickey, J.D.
Maxine Lee, M.D.
Jacob Miller, D.O.
David Taminger, M.D.
Svinder Toor, M.D.
N. Ray Tuck, Jr., D.C.
Martha Wingfield

BOARD COUNSEL: Erin Barrett, Assistant Attorney General

STAFF PRESENT: William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director
Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline
Jennie F. Wood, Case Manager, Discipline

PARTIES FOR THE COMMONWEALTH: James Schliessmann, Sr. Assistant Attorney General
Tracy Robinson, Adjudication Specialist

MATTER CONSIDERED: **Ticoni A. Barte, D.O., License No.: 0102-050121**

The Board received information from Sr. AAG Halbleib in order to determine whether Dr. Barte's ability to practice osteopathic medicine constituted a substantial danger to public health and

safety. Mr. Halbleib provided details of the case to the Board for its consideration.

DECISION:

On a motion by Dr. Taminger, and duly seconded by Dr. Edwards, the Board determined that Dr. Barte's ability to practice constituted a substantial danger to the public health and safety and voted to summarily suspend his license simultaneous with the institution of proceedings for a formal administrative hearing pursuant to Section 54.1-2408.1 of the Code of Virginia.


VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 6:44 a.m.


A formal hearing is scheduled for June 16, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. for a final determination regarding this pending matter.



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President

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PARTIES FOR THE COMMONWEALTH: Wayne Halbleib, Sr. Assistant Attorney General
Erin Weaver, Adjudication Specialist

MATTER CONSIDERED: Joel Adams Smithers, D.O., License No.: 0102-204264
a.k.a. Joel Alan Smithers

The Board received information from Sr. AAG Schliessmann in order to determine whether Dr. Smithers' ability to practice osteopathic medicine constituted a substantial danger to public health and safety. Mr. Schliessmann provided details of the case to the Board for its consideration.

DECISION:

On a motion by Dr. Edwards, and duly seconded by Dr. Taminger, the Board determined that Dr. Smithers' ability to practice constituted a substantial danger to the public health and safety and voted to summarily suspend his license simultaneous with the institution of proceedings for a formal administrative hearing pursuant to Section 54.1-2408.1 of the Code of Virginia.


VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

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