

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
FORMAL HEARINGS
November 18, 2021**

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Virginia Board of Nursing was called to order at 1:00 P.M., on November 18, 2021 in Board Room 2, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia.

**BOARD MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Mark Monson , Citizen Member; First Vice President
Laurie Buchwald, MSN, WHNP, FNP
Yvette L. Dorsey. DNP, RN
James L. Hermansen-Parker, MSN, RN, PCCN-K
Dixie L. McElfresh, LPN
Felisa A. Smith, PhD, RN, MSA, MSN/Ed, CNE
Cynthia M. Swineford, MSN, RN, CNE

STAFF PRESENT:

Jay P. Douglas; MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE; Executive Director
Christina Bargdill, BSN, MHS, RN; Deputy Executive Director
Patricia Dewey, RN, BSN; Discipline Case Manager
Francesca Iyengar, MSN, RN; Discipline Case Manager
Cathy Hanchey, Senior Licensing/Discipline Specialist
Lakisha Goode, Discipline Team Coordinator

OTHERS PRESENT:

Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel

**ESTABLISHMENT OF
A PANEL:**

With seven members of the Board present, a panel was established.

FORMAL HEARINGS:

Jerry Ray Harper, III, RN Reinstatement Applicant 0001-213992

Mr. Harper appeared.

Tammie Jones, Adjudication Consultant, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Renee M. Cordero Larkin, court reporter with Veteran Reporters, recorded the proceedings.

Katie Land, Senior Investigator, Enforcement Division, was present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. McElfresh moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 2:03 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Jerry Ray Harper, III**. Additionally, Ms. McElfresh moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms.

Bargdill, Ms. Iyengar, Ms. Hanchey, Ms. Goode and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Board reconvened in open session at 2:50 P.M.

Ms. McElfresh moved that the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Dorsey moved that the Board of Nursing approve the reinstatement application of **Jerry Ray Harper, III** to practice as a professional nurse in the Commonwealth of Virginia and place him on probation with terms for not less than one year. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This decision shall be effective upon entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusion, and decision of this formal hearing panel.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 2:53 P.M.



Christina Bargdill, BSN, MHS, RN
Deputy Executive Director