

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
SPECIAL SESSION - MINUTES**

July 18, 2024

**Department of Health Professions
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive
Henrico, Virginia 23233**

CALL TO ORDER:

The Board of Physical Therapy convened by telephone conference call on July 18, 2024 at 5:06 p.m. to consider whether a practitioner's ability to practice as a Physical Therapy Assistant constituted a substantial danger to the public health and safety pursuant to Va. Code §54.1-2408.1. A quorum of the Board was present, with Ms. Suzy Szasz Palmer, Vice Chair, presiding.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Melissa Fox, PT, DPT
Rebecca Duff, PTA, DHSc
Elizabeth Locke, PT, PhD
Mira Mariano, PT, PhD, OCS
Srileha Palle, PT, DPT, MBA

DHP STAFF PRESENT:

Corie Tillman Wolf, Executive Director
Melanie Pagano, Deputy Executive Director
Annette Kelley, Deputy Executive Director

**PARTIES ON BEHALF OF
THE COMMONWEALTH:**

David Robinson, Assistant Attorney General
Christine Corey, Adjudication Specialist

BOARD COUNSEL:

Brent Saunders, Assistant Attorney General

MATTER:

**Steven Mark Wheeler
License #2306-001378
Case Number: 234870**

DISCUSSION:

The Board received information from Assistant Attorney General David Robinson in order to determine whether Steven Mark Wheeler's ability to practice as a physical therapy assistant constituted a substantial danger to public health and safety. Mr. Robinson provided details of the case to the Board for its consideration.

DECISION:

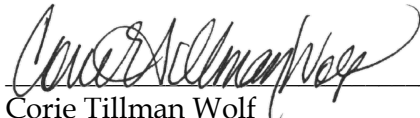
Upon a motion by Dr. Locke and duly seconded by Dr. Fox, the Board determined that the continued practice of Steven Mark Wheeler, PTA, constitutes a substantial danger to the public health and safety. The board voted to summarily suspend his license to practice as a physical therapy assistant, simultaneous with the institution of proceedings for a formal administrative hearing pursuant to §54.1- 2408.1 of the Code of Virginia.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 5:29 p.m.



Corie Tillman Wolf
Executive Director

August 14, 2024

Date

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