

VIRGINIA FAIR HOUSING BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

June 7, 2017

The Fair Housing Board Meeting was held at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia. The following Board members were present:

Andrew Reisinger, Chair
Myra Howard, Vice-Chair
Stephen Northup
Linda Melton
John Crouse
Rosemary Wilson
Robert Schaberg
Candice L. Bennett

The following Board members were absent:

Valerie L.T. Roth
Erica Woods-Warrior, Ed.D.
Larry Murphy

DPOR Staff present for all or part of the meeting included:

Jay DeBoer, Director
Christine Martine, Executive Director
Liz Hayes, Fair Housing Administrator
Deanda Shelton, Assistant Fair Housing Administrator
Emily Trent, Administrative Assistant
Angela Keefe-Thomas, Fair Housing Investigator
Trudy Miller, Fair Housing Investigator
Loraine Schroeder, Fair Housing Investigator
Donnitria Mosby, Fair Housing Investigator
Dominica McGowen, Fair Housing Investigator

Tom Payne, Assistant Attorney General with the Office of the Attorney General, was present.

Mr. Reisinger called the meeting to order at 10:06 A.M. **Call to Order**

A motion was made by Mr. Crouse and seconded by Mr. **Agenda**

Schaberg to approve the Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Bennett, Crouse, Howard, Melton, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

A motion was made by Mr. Crouse and seconded by Mr. Schaberg to approve the March 1, 2017, Fair Housing Board Meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Bennett, Crouse, Howard, Melton, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

There was no public comment.

Deanda Shelton updated the Board on the current investigative case load.

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2017-00881, Thomas L. Cornish v. Pastor Anthony Brown, The Union Mission, and Union Mission Holding Corporation**, the Board reviewed the record which consisted of the Final Investigative Report, Case Analysis and supplemental Final Investigative Report. Loraine Schroeder, investigator, read a statement from the complainant's representative. Glenn S. Reynolds, attorney for the respondents, was present and addressed the Board. A motion was made by Mr. Crouse and seconded by Ms. Wilson to find no reasonable cause that the respondents discriminated against the complainant by refusing to rent or otherwise making housing unavailable, discriminatory terms and conditions and/or making a discriminatory statement based on disability. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Bennett, Crouse, Howard, Melton, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2017-00029, Susana Pellegrino and Christopher Pellegrino v. Mark A. Stephens, Ltd.**, the Board reviewed the record which consisted of the Final Investigative Report and Case Analysis. A motion was made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Mr. Schaberg to find no reasonable cause that the respondent discriminated against the complainants by refusing to rent or otherwise making housing unavailable, based on national origin. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Bennett, Crouse, Howard, Melton, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

Minutes

Public Comment

Fair Housing Administrator's Report

FHB File Number 2017- 00881, Thomas L. Cornish v. Pastor Anthony Brown, The Union Mission, and Union Mission Holding Corporation

FHB File Number 2017- 00029, Susana Pellegrino and Christopher Pellegrino v. Mark A. Stephens, Ltd.

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2017-00540, Wesley McCaskill v. Grove at Flynn's Crossing, LP, Multifamily Management Services LLC and Veronica Ramirez**, the Board reviewed the record which consisted of the Final Investigative Report, Case Analysis, and supplemental Final Investigative Report and revised Case Analysis. A motion was made by Mr. Northup and seconded by Ms. Wilson to find no reasonable cause that the respondents discriminated against the complainant by refusing to rent or otherwise making housing unavailable and discriminatory terms and conditions, based on race and/or sex. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Bennett, Crouse, Howard, Melton, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

FHB File Number 2017-00540, Wesley McCaskill v. Grove at Flynn's Crossing, LP, Multifamily Management Services LLC and Veronica Ramirez

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2017-01135, Marvis Turner v. Dominion Property, LLC, MGP Estate, LLC and Harsh Patel**, the Board reviewed the record which consisted of the Final Investigative Report, Case Analysis and supplemental Final Investigative Report. A motion was made by Mr. Crouse and seconded by Mr. Northup to find no reasonable cause that the respondents discriminated against the complainant in terms, conditions, privileges, or services and facilities based on race and/or disability. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Bennett, Crouse, Howard, Melton, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

FHB File Number 2017-01135, Marvis Turner v. Dominion Property, LLC, MGP Estate, LLC and Harsh Patel

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2017-00672, George Harrison v. Richmond Redevelopment & Housing Authority**, a motion was made by Ms. Howard and seconded by Ms. Wilson to approve the terms of the conciliation agreement as agreed to by the parties. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Bennett, Crouse, Howard, Melton, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

FHB File Number 2017-00672, George Harrison v. Richmond Redevelopment & Housing Authority

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2016-00391, Judith Greenlee v. King Properties, Inc. and Hermitage Manor, LLC**, a motion was made by Ms. Howard and seconded by Ms. Wilson to approve the terms of the conciliation agreement as agreed to by the parties. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Bennett, Crouse, Howard, Melton, Northup, Reisinger,

FHB File Number 2016-00391, Judith Greenlee v. King Properties, Inc. and Hermitage Manor, LLC

Schaberg and Wilson.

In the matter of **FHB File Number 2017-01702, Amr Hilal and Nahla Farahat v. CMG Leasing, Inc. and Whitney I, LLC**, a motion was made by Ms. Howard and seconded by Ms. Wilson to approve the terms of the conciliation agreement as agreed to by the parties. The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Bennett, Crouse, Howard, Melton, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

FHB File Number 2017-01702, Amr Hilal and Nahla Farahat v. CMG Leasing, Inc. and Whitney I, LLC

A motion was made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Ms. Melton to adopt the following resolution to honor the years of dedicated service by former Board Member Jim Ginnell to the Board:

Resolution

RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF

Jim Ginnell

WHEREAS, **Jim Ginnell**, has faithfully and diligently served as a member of the Fair Housing Board since 2007; and

WHEREAS, **Jim Ginnell**, has devoted generously of his time, talent and leadership to the Board; and

WHEREAS, **Jim Ginnell**, has endeavored at all times to render decisions with fairness, good judgment, and in the best interest of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Fair Housing Board wishes to acknowledge its gratitude and deepest appreciation for devoted service of a person who is held in high esteem by the members of the Board and the citizens of the Commonwealth.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Fair Housing Board this seventh day of June, 2017 that **Jim Ginnell** be given all honors and respect due him for his outstanding service to the Commonwealth and its citizens and the Fair Housing Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be presented to him and be made a part of the official minutes

of the Board so that all may know of the high regard in which he is held.

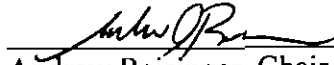
The motion passed unanimously. Members voting "Yes" were: Bennett, Crouse, Howard, Melton, Northup, Reisinger, Schaberg and Wilson.

Tom Payne gave the Board a litigation update.

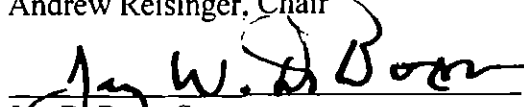
New Business

Linda Melton volunteered to be on the Fair Housing Education Committee.

The Board adjourned at 10:49 A.M.



Andrew Reisinger, Chair



Jay DeBoer, Secretary

**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT**

**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

1. Name: Rosemary Wilson
(Name of Board Member)
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Fair Housing Board
(Name of Board)
4. Meeting/IFF Date: June 7, 2017
(Date)

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

(Agenda Item)

Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction: _____

I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

Rosemary Wilson
Signature

6/7/17
Date

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
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TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government

1. Name: Myra Howard
(Name of Board Member)
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Fair Housing Board
(Name of Board)
4. Meeting/IFF Date: June 7, 2017
(Date)

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I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

Myra Howard
Signature

6.7.17
Date

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TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government

1. Name: Robert W. Schaberg
(Name of Board Member)
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Fair Housing Board
(Name of Board)
4. Meeting/IFF Date: June 7, 2017
(Date)

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

None
(Agenda Item)

Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction: _____

I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

None

I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

Robert W. Schaberg
Signature

6/7/17
Date

**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT**

**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

1. Name: Linda R. Melton
(Name of Board Member)
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Fair Housing Board
(Name of Board)
4. Meeting/IFF Date: June 7, 2017
(Date)

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

(Agenda Item)

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I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

Linda R. Melton
Signature

6/7/17
Date

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
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TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government

1. Name: John H. Crouse
(Name of Board Member)
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Fair Housing Board
(Name of Board)
4. Meeting/IFF Date: June 7, 2017
(Date)

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

None
(Agenda Item)

Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction: _____

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I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

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Signature

JUNE 7, '17
Date

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT

TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government

1. Name: Stephen A. Northup
(Name of Board Member)
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Fair Housing Board
(Name of Board)
4. Meeting/IFF Date: June 7, 2017
(Date)

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

(Agenda Item)

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or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

SA Northup
Signature

6/7/2017
Date

**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT**

**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

1. Name: Candice L. Bennett
(Name of Board Member)
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Fair Housing Board
(Name of Board)
4. Meeting/IFF Date: June 7, 2017
(Date)

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:


(Agenda Item)

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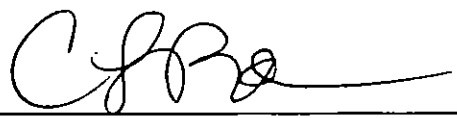
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Signature

June 7, 2017
Date

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT

TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government

1. Name: Andrew Reisinger
(Name of Board Member)
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Fair Housing Board
(Name of Board)
4. Meeting/IFF Date: June 7, 2017
(Date)

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