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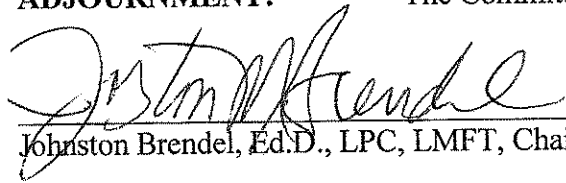
**June 20, 2014**

**MINUTES**

- CALL TO ORDER:** An Informal Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Counseling ("Board") convened on June 20, 2014, at 9:10 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia, Board Room 1.
- BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT  
Phyllis Pugh, LPC, CSAC
- STAFF PRESENT:** Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline  
Jennifer Lang, Licensing Manager  
Anne Joseph, Deputy Director, Administrative Proceedings Division
- MATTER SCHEDULED:** Cynthia Coleman, LPC Applicant  
Case No.: 154948
- DISCUSSION:** Ms. Coleman appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated May 12, 2014 to consider her application for registration of her supervision as a preliminary requirement for licensure by examination as a professional counselor, and to inquire into allegations that grounds exist to deny her application. Ms. Coleman was not represented by counsel. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Ms. Coleman.
- CLOSED SESSION:** Upon a motion by Ms. Pugh and duly seconded by Dr. Brendel, 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 Cynthia Coleman. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Larimer, Ms. Lang, and Ms. Joseph 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 reconvened in open session and announced its decision.
- DECISION:** Upon a motion by Ms. Pugh, and duly seconded by Dr. Brendel, the Committee made certain recommended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and voted to recommend to the Board that Ms. Coleman's application be denied.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Committee adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

  
Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT, Chair

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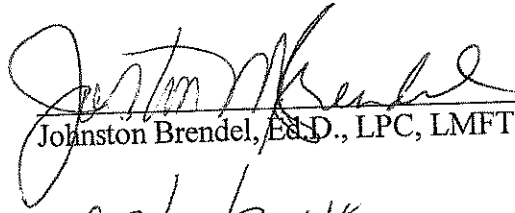
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- CALL TO ORDER:** An Informal Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Counseling ("Board") convened on June 20, 2014, at 1:00 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia, Board Room 1.
- BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT  
Phyllis Pugh, LPC, CSAC
- STAFF PRESENT:** Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline  
Jennifer Lang, Licensing Manager  
Peter Opper, Adjudication Specialist, APD
- MATTER SCHEDULED:** Rahel Mitiku, C.S.A.C. – A Applicant  
Case No.: 154787
- DISCUSSION:** Ms. Mitiku appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated May 12, 2014 to consider her application for certification by examination as a substance abuse counseling assistant and to inquire into allegations that grounds exist to deny her application. Ms. Mitiku was not represented by counsel. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Ms. Mitiku.
- CLOSED SESSION:** Upon a motion by Ms. Pugh and duly seconded by Dr. Brendel, 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 Rahel Mitiku. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Larimer, Ms. Lang, and Mr. Opper 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 reconvened in open session and announced its decision.
- DECISION:** Upon a motion by Ms. Pugh, and duly seconded by Dr. Brendel, the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and voted to approve Ms. Mitiku's application for certification.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Committee adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

  
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Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT, Chair  
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**MINUTES**

- CALL TO ORDER:** An Informal Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Counseling ("Board") convened on June 20, 2014, at 1:30 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia, Board Room 1.
- BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT  
Phyllis Pugh, LPC, CSAC
- STAFF PRESENT:** Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline  
Jennifer Lang, Licensing Manager  
Peter Opper, Adjudication Specialist, APD
- MATTER SCHEDULED:** Kevin Clark, C.S.A.C. – A Applicant  
Case No.: 155512
- DISCUSSION:** Mr. Clark appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated May 12, 2014 to consider his application for certification by examination as a substance abuse counseling assistant and to inquire into allegations that grounds exist to deny his application. Mr. Clark was not represented by counsel. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Mr. Clark.
- CLOSED SESSION:** Upon a motion by Dr. Brendel and duly seconded by Ms. Pugh, 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 Kevin Clark. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Larimer, Ms. Lang, and Mr. Opper 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 reconvened in open session and announced its decision.
- DECISION:** Upon a motion by Dr. Brendel, and duly seconded by Ms. Pugh, the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and voted to approve Mr. Clark's application for certification.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Committee adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Phyllis E. Pugh  
Phyllis Pugh, LPC, CSAC, Chair

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- CALL TO ORDER:** An Informal Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Counseling ("Board") convened on June 20, 2014, at 2:15 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia, Board Room 1.
- BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT  
Phyllis Pugh, LPC, CSAC
- STAFF PRESENT:** Catherine Chappell, Executive Director  
Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline  
Jennifer Lang, Licensing Manager  
Peter Opper, Adjudication Specialist, APD
- MATTER SCHEDULED:** Traver Stewart, LPC Applicant  
Case No.: 155047
- DISCUSSION:** Mr. Stewart appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with an amended Notice of the Board dated May 12, 2014 to consider his application for licensure by endorsement as a professional counselor and to inquire into allegations that grounds exist to deny his application. Mr. Stewart was not represented by counsel. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Mr. Stewart.
- CLOSED SESSION:** Upon a motion by Dr. Brendel and duly seconded by Ms. Pugh, 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 Traver Stewart. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Chappell, Ms. Larimer, Ms. Lang, and Mr. Opper 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 reconvened in open session and announced its decision.
- DECISION:** Upon a motion by Dr. Brendel, and duly seconded by Ms. Pugh, the Committee made certain recommended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and voted to recommend to the Board that Mr. Stewart's application be denied.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Committee adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Phyllis Pugh  
Phyllis Pugh, LPC, CSAC, Chair

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