## VIRGINIA BOARD OF COUNSELING SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE (VIRTUAL) INFORMAL CONFERENCES – OCTOBER 16, 2020

CALL TO ORDER:

A virtual meeting of a Special Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Counseling ("Board") convened on October 16, 2020 at 10:04 a.m. via WebEx.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Danielle Hunt, LPC, Chairperson Maria Stransky, LPC, CSAC, CSOTP

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director, Board of Counseling

Christy Evans, Discipline and Compliance Case Manager, Board of Counseling

Emily Tatum, Administrative Proceedings Division

RESPONDENT: Marshall M. Bedford, Applicant for Licensure as a Resident in Counseling

Case No.: 195871

Witness(es): Dr. Kelly Doolan, LPC, LMFT

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Bedford appeared via video before the Committee, without legal counsel, and fully discussed the

allegations contained in the Notice dated August 20, 2019 and Amended Notices dated October 22,

2019 and June 12, 2020.

CLOSED MEETING: Upon a motion by Ms. Stransky, and duly seconded by Ms. Hunt, the Committee voted to convene in

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 Marshall M. Bedford, Applicant for Licensure as a Resident in Counseling . Additionally, she moved that Jennifer Lang and Christy Evans attend the closed meeting

because their presence 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 of Virginia, the Committee reconvened in open session and announced its

decision.

**DECISION:** Upon a motion by Ms. Stransky, and duly seconded by Ms. Hunt, the Committee made certain

findings of facts and conclusions of law and voted to approve Ms. Bedford's application for licensure

as a Resident in Counseling. The motion carried.

ADJOURN: With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on the respondent, unless the respondent makes a written request to the Board within such time for a formal hearing on the allegations made. If service of the Order is made by mail, three (3) additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of the Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.

Danielle Hunt	10/20/2020	
Danielle Hunt, LPC, Chairperson	Date	
Special Conference Committee of the Board of Counseling		
Jennifer Lang Jennifer Lang Deputy Executive Director	10/21/2020	
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Virginia Board of Counseling		