

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF LONG TERM CARE ADMINISTRATORS  
FORMAL ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING - VIRTUAL  
MINUTES**

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**February 12, 2021**

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

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**CALL TO ORDER:** The formal hearing of the Board was called to order at 9:36 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Martha Hunt, NHA, Board Chair (Virtual)  
Ashley Jackson, NHA, Vice Chair (Virtual)  
Marj Pantone, ALFA, (Virtual)  
Dr. Jenny Inker, ALFA (Virtual)  
Derrick Kendall, NHA (Virtual)  
Ali Faruk, Citizen Member (Virtual)

**BOARD COUNSEL:** Erin L. Barrett, Assistant Attorney General (Virtual)

**DHP STAFF PRESENT:** Corie Tillman Wolf, Executive Director (Virtual)  
Sarah Georgen, Licensing and Operations Manager (Virtual)  
Angela Pearson, Senior Discipline Manager (Virtual)

**COURT REPORTER:** Cheryl Maddox Reporting, (Virtual)

**PARTIES ON BEHALF OF COMMONWEALTH:** Sean Murphy, Assistant Attorney General (Virtual)  
Claire Foley, Adjudication Specialist (Virtual)

**COMMONWEALTH'S WITNESSES:** Debra Hay-Pierce, Senior Investigator, DHP (Virtual)  
Paul Wade, Department of Health/OLC (Virtual)  
Linda D. Strayhorn, (By Phone)

**RESPONDENT'S COUNSEL:** Eileen M. Talamante (Virtual)  
Michael Goodman (Virtual)

**RESPONDENT'S  
WITNESSES:**

Adrian Whitfield (Virtual)  
Uton C. Donaldson (Virtual)

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Kelley Palmatier (Virtual)  
Jenny Wood (Virtual)  
Tamika Hines (Virtual)  
Jennifer Deschenes (Virtual)  
Donna Lee (Virtual)  
Alicia Johnson (Virtual)  
Rai Minor (Virtual)  
Alexandra Aloba (Virtual)  
Gail Miller (By phone)  
Joyce Johnson (By phone)  
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**MATTER:**

**Regine R. Thomas, N.H.A.**  
**License Number: 1701-002449**  
**Suspension Date: November 9, 2020**  
**Case No.: 199727**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A  
QUORUM:**

With five (6) members present, a quorum was established.

**DISCUSSION:**

Ms. Thomas appeared before the Board virtually in accordance with a Notice of Formal Hearing dated November 13, 2020. Ms. Thomas was represented by counsel, Eileen M. Talamante and Michael Goodman.

The Board received evidence and sworn testimony on behalf of the Commonwealth and Ms. Thomas regarding the allegations in the Notice.

Eileen Talamante, Attorney for Respondent, made a Motion to Dismiss after the conclusion of the Commonwealth's presentation of evidence.

**CLOSED SESSION FOR  
LEGAL ADVICE:**

Upon a motion by Derrick Kendall and duly seconded by Ashley Jackson, the Board voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A) (8) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of consultation with Board Counsel in the matter of Regine R. Thomas, N.H.A. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Barrett, Ms. Tillman Wolf, Ms. Georgen, and Ms. Pearson attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Board in its considerations.

**RECONVENE:**

Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Board reconvened in open session.

Upon a motion by Derrick Kendall, and duly seconded by Ashley Jackson, the Board voted to deny Respondent's Motion to Dismiss. The vote was unanimous.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

Upon a motion by Ashley Jackson, and duly seconded by Marj Pantone, the Board 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 Regine R. Thomas, N.H.A. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Barrett, Ms. Tillman Wolf, Ms. Georgen and Ms. Pearson attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Board 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 Board reconvened in open session.

**DECISION:**

Upon a motion by Ashley Jackson and duly seconded by Derrick Kendall, the Board moved to reinstate the license of Regine R. Thomas. The motion carried.


VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

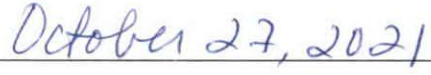
ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 4:49 p.m.

  
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Martha Hunt, NHA, Chair

  
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Corie Tillman Wolf, J.D., Executive Director

  
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An audio recording of this meeting can be accessed at:  
[https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/nha/nha\\_calendar.htm](https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/nha/nha_calendar.htm)