

**BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
INFORMAL CONFERENCE
JANUARY 17, 2008
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS
RICHMOND, VA**

CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 9:07 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: George Siemering, DVM - Chair
John Wise, DVM

STAFF PRESENT: Elizabeth Carter, Acting Executive Director
Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Cynthia Gaines, Administrative Proceedings Division

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Roland Dunavant, DVM**
License #.: 0301000980
Case No. - 108716

DISCUSSION: Dr. Dunavant appeared before the Committee in accordance with a Notice of Informal Conference dated December 3, 2007. Dr. Dunavant was represented by counsel, Allen Beasley. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Dr. Dunavant.

CLOSED SESSION: On properly seconded motion by Dr. Wise, the Special Conference Committee recessed Open Session and convened in Closed Session pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(28) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter regarding **Roland Dunavant, DVM**. Additionally, it was moved that Cynthia Gaines, Administrative Proceedings Division, and Elizabeth Carter, Acting Executive Director, Board of Veterinary Medicine, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations. 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: Based on the Investigative Report and discussion of the case with Dr. Dunavant, the Committee dismissed the case. The hearing was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

George H. Siemering, DVM

Elizabeth A. Carter, Ph.D., Acting Executive Director
for the Board

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CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 1:12 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Wise, DVM - Chair
George Siemering, DVM

STAFF PRESENT: Elizabeth Carter, Acting Executive Director
Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Cynthia Gaines, Administrative Proceedings Division

OTHERS PRESENT: Lois Hazelwood
Ernest Hazelwood

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Carlton N. Elam, DVM**
License No.: 0301001277
Case No.: 111589

DISCUSSION: Dr. Elam appeared before the Committee in accordance with a Notice of Informal Conference dated January 8, 2008. Dr. Elam was represented by counsel, Michael Goodman. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Dr. Elam.

CLOSED SESSION: On properly seconded motion by Dr. Siemering, the Special Conference Committee recessed Open Session and convened in Closed Session pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(28) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter regarding **Carlton N. Elam, DVM**. Additionally, it was moved that Cynthia Gaines, Administrative Proceedings Division, and Terri Behr, Operations Manager, Board of Veterinary Medicine, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations. 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: Based on the Investigative Report and discussion of the case with Dr. Elam, the Committee made certain

Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and ordered that Dr. Elam be issued a reprimand, pay a monetary penalty of \$10,000 and be subject to certain other terms and conditions. The hearing adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Dr Elam unless a written request to the Board for a Formal Hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Dr. Elam within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

John T. Wise, DVM

Elizabeth A Carter, Acting Executive Director