

**BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE  
INFORMAL CONFERENCE  
NOVEMBER 15, 2012  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS  
RICHMOND, VA**

**CALL TO ORDER:** An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 10:12 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Taryn L. Singleton, LVT – Chair  
James W. Debell, DVM

**STAFF PRESENT:** Terri Behr, Operations Manager  
Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division  
Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant

**MATTER SCHEDULED:** **Linden F. Van Roijen, LVT**  
**License No.: 0302001371**  
**Case No.: 144532**

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Van Roijen was not present and was not represented by counsel. Ms. Van Roijen was properly notified with a Notice of Informal Conference dated September 17, 2012. The committee determined that adequate notice was given.

**CLOSED SESSION:** On properly seconded motion by Dr. Debell, 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 **Linden F. Van Roijen, LVT**. Additionally, it was moved that Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division, Terri Behr, Operations Manager Board of Veterinary Medicine, and Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant 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, the SCC issued an Order to Ms. Van Roijen for a reprimand on her license. The hearing adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

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Taryn L. Singleton, LVT

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Leslie Knachel, Executive Director

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**CALL TO ORDER:** An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 11:00 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Taryn L. Singleton, LVT - Chair  
James W. Debell, DVM

**STAFF PRESENT:** Terri Behr, Operations Manager  
Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division  
Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant

**MATTER SCHEDULED:** **Operation Catnip of Richmond, Inc.**  
**License No.: 0340005075**  
**Case No.: 143040**

**DISCUSSION:** Dr. Sandra Cluverius, Veterinarian in Charge of Operation Catnip, Inc., appeared before the Committee in accordance with a Notice of Informal Conference dated December 17, 2011. Operation Catnip was not represented by counsel.

**CLOSED SESSION:** On properly seconded motion by Ms. Singleton, 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 **Operation Catnip of Richmond, Inc.** Additionally, it was moved that Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division, Terri Behr, Operations Manager Board of Veterinary Medicine, and Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant 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. Cluverius, the SCC issued an Order to Operation Catnip which assessed a monetary penalty of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250). The hearing

adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

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Jim DeBell, DVM

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Leslie Knachel, Executive Director

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**CALL TO ORDER:** An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Taryn L. Singleton, LVT - Chair  
James W. Debell, DVM

**STAFF PRESENT:** Leslie Knachel, Executive Director  
Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division  
Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant

**MATTER SCHEDULED:** **Lori D. Leonard, DVM**  
**License #: 0301005429**  
**Case No. : 143982**

**DISCUSSION:** Dr. Leonard appeared before the Committee in accordance with a Notice of Informal Conference dated October 3, 2012. Dr. Leonard was represented by counsel, Abbigale Fredrick. Ms. Frederick requested that Dr. DeBell recuse himself based on a prior working relationship with Dr. Leonard in the 1990's. Dr. DeBell responded that he could be fair and impartial in resolving this matter. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Dr. Leonard.

**CLOSED SESSION:** On properly seconded motion by Dr. Debell, 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 **Lori D. Leonard , DVM**. Additionally, it was moved that Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division, Leslie Knachel, Executive Director Board of Veterinary Medicine, and Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant 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. Leonard, the SCC issued an Order which assessed a monetary penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and placed a reprimand on Dr. Leonard's license. The hearing adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

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Taryn L. Singleton, LVT

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Leslie Knachel, Executive Director