

**UNAPPROVED**

**BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

**MINUTES**

**SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE “B”**

**TIME AND PLACE:** Special Conference Committee “B” convened on October 4, 2024, at 2:30 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Center, Board Room 4, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233.

**PRESIDING:** Alf Hendricksen, D.D.S.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sidra Butt, D.D.S.  
Emelia H. McLennan, R.D.H.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jennifer Szakaly, D.D.S.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Erin T. Weaver, Deputy Executive Director  
Ashley Epperly, D.D.S., Dental Review Coordinator  
Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager  
Rebecca Smith, Senior Adjudication Specialist

**QUORUM:** With all members present, a quorum was established.

**Komal Karmacharya, D.D.S.  
Case No.: 228804** Dr. Karmacharya appeared with counsel, Nora Ciancio, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated June 17, 2024. The Committee received statements from Dr. Karmacharya and Ms. Ciancio and discussed the allegations with them.

**Closed Meeting:** Ms. McLennan moved that the Committee 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 Komal Karmacharya. Additionally, Ms. McLennan moved that Ms. Weaver, Dr. Epperly, and Ms. Lee attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and their presence would aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Reconvene:** Ms. McLennan moved that the Committee certify that it heard, discussed, or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and passed.

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**DECISION:  
Case No.: 228804**

The sanctions reported by Ms. Weaver were that Dr. Karmacharya was assessed a \$2,000.00 monetary penalty; that within 6 months from the date of entry of the Order, she shall successfully complete a 3 hour continuing education course in the subject of practice management; a 3 hour continuing education course in the subject of diagnosis and treatment planning in restorative dentistry; and a 3 hour continuing education course in the subject of radiographic diagnosis and interpretation.

Ms. McLennan moved to adopt the decision of the Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Upon a motion by Ms. McLennan, the minutes from the Informal Conference conducted on August 9, 2024, were approved.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

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Alf Hendricksen, D.D.S., Chair

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Jamie C. Sacksteder, Executive Director

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