

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF COUNSELING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
INFORMAL CONFERENCE – September 8, 2017
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Counseling ("Board") convened on September 8, 2017 at 9:33 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia, Board Room 3.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT, Chairperson
Danielle Hunt, LPC

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director
Emily Tatum, Adjudication Specialist

RESPONDENT: Marcella Morgan, LPC
License No.: 0701-003395
Case No.: 172986
Attorney: Nicholas Balland, Esquire

DISCUSSION: Ms. Morgan appeared in person before the Committee, with legal counsel, and fully discussed the allegations contained in the Notice dated May 1, 2017.

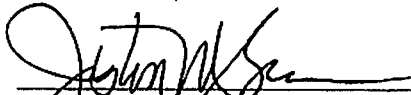
CLOSED MEETING: Upon a motion by Ms. Hunt, and duly seconded by Dr. Brendel, the Committee voted to convene in a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Marcella Morgan, LPC. Additionally, she moved that Jennifer Lang attend the closed meeting because her 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. Hunt, and duly seconded by Dr. Brendel, the Committee made certain findings of facts and conclusions of law and voted to place the license of Ms. Morgan under indefinite probation with certain terms and conditions. The motion carried.

ADJOURN: With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

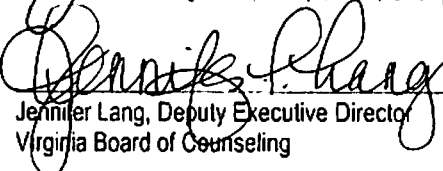
As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on the respondent, unless the respondent makes a written request to the Board within such time for a formal hearing on the allegations made. If service of the Order is made by mail, three (3) additional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



Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT, Chairperson

09-09-2017

Date



Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director
Virginia Board of Counseling

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**VIRGINIA BOARD OF COUNSELING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
INFORMAL CONFERENCE – September 8, 2017
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Counseling ("Board") convened on September 8, 2017 at 11:04 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia, Board Room 3.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT, Chairperson
Danielle Hunt, LPC

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director
Emily Tatum, Adjudication Specialist

RESPONDENT: Danah McGrath, LPC
License No.: 0701-004962
Case No.: 178377
Attorney: Charles Sipe, Esquire

DISCUSSION: Ms. McGrath appeared in person before the Committee, with legal counsel, and fully discussed the allegations contained in the Notice dated August 3, 2017.


CLOSED MEETING: Upon a motion by Ms. Hunt, and duly seconded by Dr. Brendel, 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 Danah McGrath, LPC. Additionally, she moved that Jennifer Lang attend the closed meeting because her 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.

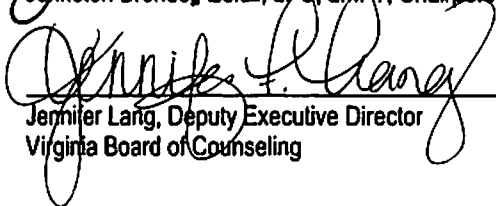
DECISION: Upon a motion by Ms. Hunt, and duly seconded by Dr. Brendel, the Committee made certain findings of facts and conclusions of law and voted to issue a reprimand with certain terms and conditions. The motion carried.

ADJOURN: With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 12:20 p.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.



Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT, Chairperson



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**VIRGINIA BOARD OF COUNSELING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
INFORMAL CONFERENCE – September 8, 2017
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CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Counseling ("Board") convened on September 8, 2017 at 1:14 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia, Board Room 3.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT, Chairperson
Danielle Hunt, LPC

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director
Emily Tatum, Adjudication Specialist

RESPONDENT: Christopher Wright, LMFT
License No.: 0717-000512
Case No.: 169921 and 170846

DISCUSSION: Mr. Wright appeared in person before the Committee, without legal counsel, and fully discussed the allegations contained in the Notice dated August 10, 2017.

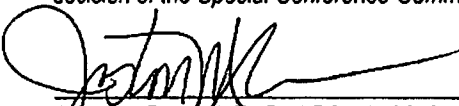
CLOSED MEETING: Upon a motion by Ms. Hunt, and duly seconded by Dr. Brendel, the Committee voted to convene in a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Christopher Wright, LMFT. Additionally, she moved that Jennifer Lang and Emily Tatum 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. Hunt, and duly seconded by Dr. Brendel, the Committee made certain findings of facts and conclusions of law and voted to place Mr. Wright's license on indefinite probation with certain terms and conditions. The motion carried.

ADJOURN: With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 3:48 p.m.

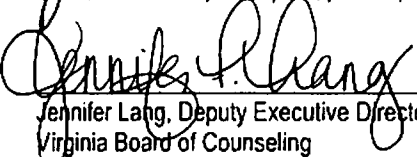
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Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT, Chairperson

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