

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 26, 2007
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee convened on Wednesday, September 26, 2007, at 9:47 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: David R. Boehm, L.C.S.W., Chair
Francis N. Nelson, Jr., L.C.S.W

STAFF PRESENT: Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director
Tammie Jones, Adjudication Specialist
Carol Lipinski, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT: Client B

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Jennifer A. Kell, L.C.S.W**
License No. 0904-004489
Case No.: 109966

DISCUSSION: Ms. Kell appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated August 13, 2007, to review allegations that she may have violated portions of the laws and regulations governing the practice of social work in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Ms. Kell was represented by Nathan A. Kottkamp, Esquire. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Ms. Kell.

The committee also heard from Client B.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Mr. Nelson and duly seconded by Mr. Boehm, the Committee voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(28) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Jennifer A. Kell, L.C.S.W. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Larimer, Ms. Jones and Ms. Lipinski attend the closed meeting, because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and 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, the Committee reconvened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION: Upon a motion by Mr. Nelson, and duly seconded by Mr. Boehm,

the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and voted to issue Ms. Kell a reprimand. Further, they voted to prohibit Ms. Kell from supervising any applicants for a period of one (1) year.

ADJOURNMENT: The Committee adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Ms. Kell, unless a written request to the Board for a Formal Hearing is received from Ms. Kell 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 Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.

David R. Boehm, LCSW, Chair

Evelyn B. Brown, Executive Director

Date

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