

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL - MINUTES**

March 25, 2022

**Department of Health Professions
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive
Henrico, Virginia 23233**

CALL TO ORDER:

The Board of Physical Therapy convened by telephone conference call on March 25, 2022 at 12:32 p.m. to consider whether a practitioner's ability to practice as a Physical Therapist constituted a substantial danger to the public health and safety pursuant to Va. Code §54.1-2408.1. A quorum of the Board was present, with Dr. Mira Mariano, Vice President, presiding.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mira H. Mariano, PT, PhD
Rebecca Duff, PTA, DHSc
Elizabeth Locke, PT, PhD
Arkena L. Dailey, PT, DPT
Susan Szasz Palmer, MLS, Citizen Member

DHP STAFF PRESENT:

Corie Tillman Wolf, Executive Director
Angela Pearson, Senior Discipline Manager

**PARTIES ON BEHALF OF
THE COMMONWEALTH:**

Sean J. Murphy, Assistant Attorney General
Claire C. Foley, J.D., Adjudication Specialist

BOARD COUNSEL:

James Rutkowski, Assistant Attorney General

MATTER:

Sara Martin
License #2305-211793
Case Number 214539

DISCUSSION:

The Board received information from Assistant Attorney General, Sean Murphy in order to determine whether Sara Martin's ability to practice as a physical therapist constituted a substantial danger to public health and safety. Sean Murphy provided details of the case to the Board for its consideration.

CLOSED SESSION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Arkena Dailey, and duly seconded by Dr. Rebecca Duff, the Committee voted to 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 Sara Martin, P.T. Additionally, she moved that Mr. James Rutkowski, Ms. Corie Tillman Wolf and Ms. Angela Pearson attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its discussions.

RECONVENE:

Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee re-convened in open session.

DECISION:

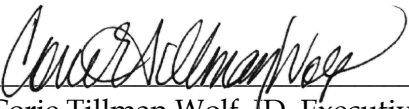
Upon a motion by Dr. Arkena Dailey and duly seconded by Dr. Rebecca Duff, the Board determined that the continued practice of Sara Martin constitutes a substantial danger to the public health and safety. The board voted to summarily suspend her license to practice as a physical therapist, simultaneous with the institution of proceedings for a formal administrative hearing pursuant to §54.1-2408.1 of the Code of Virginia.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous, (5-0).

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 1:02 p.m.



Corie Tillman Wolf, JD, Executive Director

May 3, 2022

Date