

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
FORMAL HEARINGS
November 15, 2021**

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Virginia Board of Nursing was called to order at 9:40 A.M., on November 15, 2021 in Board Room 2, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Marie Gerardo, MS, RN, ANP-BC; President
Margaret Friedenberg, Citizen Member
Teri Crawford Brown, RNC, MSN
Tucker Gleason, PhD, Citizen Member
Jennifer Phelps, BS, LPN, QMHP-A, CSAC
Meenakshi Shah, BA, RN - **left at 3:25 P.M.**

STAFF PRESENT:
Robin L. Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP; Deputy Executive Director for Advance Practice
Christina Bargdill, BSN, MHS, RN, Deputy Executive Director
Cathy Hanchey, Senior Licensing/Discipline Specialist
Lakisha Goode, Discipline Team Coordinator
Breanna Renick, Administrative Support Specialist - **joined at 1:25 P.M.**

OTHERS PRESENT:
Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel
Julia Bennett, Administrative Proceedings Division - **joined for Rosella Carter and Melinda Brown cases only**
Ka Yu-Cheng, Enforcement Division - **joined at 1:30 P.M.**

ESTABLISHMENT OF A PANEL:
With six members of the Board present, a panel was established.

FORMAL HEARING: **Rosella Carter, RMA** **0031-001847**

Ms. Carter appeared, accompanied by her mother, Henrietta Day.

David Kazzie, Adjudication Consultant, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Renee M. Cordero Larkin, court reporter with Veteran Reporters, recorded the proceedings.

Debra Hay Pierce, Senior Investigator, Enforcement Division, was present and testified. Caprea Sims, CNA, RMA was present and testified. Ashante Peggeas testified via phone. Althea King was present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING: Dr. Gleason moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 12:23 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Rosella Carter**. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Hanchey, Ms. Goode and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 12:50 P.M.

Dr. Gleason moved that the Board of Nursing 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 carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Shah moved that the Board of Nursing revoke the registration of **Rosella Carter** to practice as a medication aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This decision shall be effective upon entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusion, and decision of this formal hearing panel.

RECESS: The Board recessed at 12:51 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 1:26 P.M.

FORMAL HEARING: **Melinda Brown, RN** **0001-243295**

Ms. Brown appeared.

Mandy Wilson, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Renee M. Cordero Larkin, court reporter with Veteran Reporters, recorded the proceedings.

Alan Burton, Senior Investigator, Enforcement Division, was present and testified. Hannah Lloyd, CSAC testified by phone. Rebecca Paster, HPMP, was present and testified. Marcia Armstrong, LPC, was present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING: Dr. Gleason moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 2:52 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Melinda Brown**. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Hanchey, and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 3:14 P.M.

Dr. Gleason moved that the Board of Nursing 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 carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Phelps moved that the Board of Nursing issue **Melinda Brown** a reprimand and the indefinite suspension of her license for not less than one year to practice as a professional nurse in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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RECESS: The Board recessed at 3:15 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened at 3:25 P.M.

Ms. Shah left the meeting at 3:25 P.M.

FORMAL HEARING: **Chantella Ranelle Mangrum Smith, LPN** **0002-072597**

Ms. Smith did not appear.

Claire Foley, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Renee M. Cordero Larkin, court reporter with Veteran Reporters, recorded the proceedings.

Shawn Ledger, Senior Investigator, Enforcement Division, was present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING: Dr. Gleason moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 3:39 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter **Chantella Ranelle Mangrum Smith**. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Hanchey, Ms. Goode and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 4:09 P.M.

Dr. Gleason moved that the Board of Nursing 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 carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Phelps moved that the Board of Nursing dismiss the case and impose no sanction against **Chantella Ranelle Mangrum Smith** to practice as a practical nurse in the Commonwealth of Virginia due to insufficient evidence of a violation. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This decision shall be effective upon entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusion, and decision of this formal hearing panel.

FORMAL HEARING: **Brandy Monique Ervin, LPN** **0002-096150**

Ms. Ervin did not appear.

Claire Foley, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Renee M. Cordero Larkin, court reporter with Veteran Reporters, recorded the proceedings.

Katie Land, Senior Investigator, Enforcement Division, was present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING: Dr. Gleason moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 4:25 P.M., for the

purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter **Brandy Monique Ervin**. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Hanchey, Ms. Goode and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

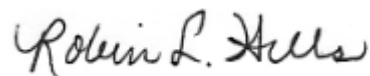
RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 4:45 P.M.

Dr. Gleason moved that the Board of Nursing 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 carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Phelps moved that the Board of Nursing issue a reprimand to **Brandy Monique Ervin** to practice as a practical nurse in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This decision shall be effective upon entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusion, and decision of this formal hearing panel.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned at 4:46 P.M.



Robin L. Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP
Deputy Executive Director for Advanced Practice