

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY  
FORMAL HEARING MINUTES  
June 10, 2021**

**TIME AND PLACE:** The virtual formal hearing of the Virginia Board of Dentistry was called to order at 1:02 p.m., on June 10, 2021.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Dr. Petticolas called the meeting to order.

Consistent with Amendment 28 to HB29 (the Budget Bill for 2018-2020) and the applicable provisions of § 2.2-3708.2 in the Freedom of Information Act, the Board is convening today's meeting virtually to consider such regulatory and business matters as are presented on the agenda necessary for the board to discharge its lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities.

Dr. Petticolas provided the Board members, staff, and the public with contact information should the electronic meeting be interrupted.

**BOARD MEMBERS  
PRESENT VIRTUALLY:** Augustus A. Petticolas, Jr., D.D.S., President  
Patricia B. Bonwell, R.D.H., PhD  
Nathaniel C. Bryant, D.D.S.  
Sandra J. Catchings, D.D.S.  
Sultan E. Chaudhry, D.D.S.  
Jamiah Dawson, D.D.S.  
Perry E. Jones, D.D.S.  
Margaret F. Lemaster, R.D.H.  
J. Michael Martinez de Andino, J.D.  
Dag Zapatero, D.D.S.

**STAFF PRESENT  
VIRTUALLY:** Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director, Board of Dentistry  
Jamie C. Sacksteder, Deputy Executive Director, Board of Dentistry  
Donna M. Lee, Discipline Case Manager, Board of Dentistry

**COUNSEL PRESENT  
VIRTUALLY:** James E. Rutkowski, Assistant Attorney General

**OTHERS PRESENT  
VIRTUALLY:** James Schliessmann, Senior Assistant Attorney General  
Lori L. Pound, Adjudication Consultant, Administrative Proceedings Div.  
Rachel Steck, Court Reporter, Veteran Reporters, Inc.

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A  
QUORUM:** A roll call of the Board members and staff was completed. With ten members of the Board present, a quorum was established.

**Nguyen Thao Thi  
Nguyen, D.D.S.  
Case No.: 203154** Dr. Nguyen did not appear. Mr. Schliessmann presented an Affidavit signed by Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director for the Board of Dentistry, which shows that on April 28, 2021, a Notice of Formal Hearing and Statement of Allegations were sent by UPS Next Day Air to Dr. Nguyen's address of record on file with the Board. The tracking information provided by UPS shows that the package was delivered at 10:18 a.m., on April 30, 2021 in Norfolk, Virginia.

Based on the representation of the Commonwealth, Dr. Petticolas ruled that adequate notice was provided to Dr. Nguyen and the Formal Hearing proceeded in her absence.

Dr. Petticolas swore in the witness.

Following Mr. Schliessmann's opening statement, Dr. Petticolas admitted into evidence Commonwealth's Exhibits 1-5.

Dr. Bonwell was unable to participate any further due to internet connection issues. A quorum was still established with 9 members of the Board present.

Testifying on behalf of the Commonwealth was Meghan Wingate, DHP Senior Investigator.

Mr. Schliessmann provided closing statements.

**Closed Meeting:**

Dr. Catchings moved that the Board convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) and § 2.2-3712(F) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Nguyen Thao Thi Nguyen, D.D.S. Additionally, she moved that Board staff, Ms. Reen, Ms. Sacksteder, Ms. Lee, and Board counsel, Mr. Rutkowski, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. Following a second, a roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

**Reconvene:**

Dr. Catchings moved to certify that the Board 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. Following a second, a roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

**DECISION:**

Dr. Catchings moved to accept the Findings of Facts and Conclusions of Law as presented by the Commonwealth, amended by the Board, and read by Mr. Rutkowski. Following a second, a roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

Mr. Rutkowski reported that Dr. Nguyen's right to renew her dental license to practice dentistry in the Commonwealth of Virginia is continued on indefinite suspension for a period of not less than one year from the date of entry of the Order.

Dr. Catchings moved to accept the Board's decision as read by Mr. Rutkowski. Following a second, a roll call vote was taken. The motion passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With all business concluded, the Board adjourned at 2:09 p.m.

Augustus A. Petticoles, Jr., D.D.S.  
Augustus A. Petticoles, Jr., D.D.S., President

Sandra K. Reen  
Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director

Sept. 10, 2021  
Date

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