## **APPROVED**

## **BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

## MINUTES SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE "B"

TIME AND PLACE:

Special Conference Committee "B" convened on December 16,

2022 at 9:04 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Center, Board Room 4,

9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233.

PRESIDING:

Alf Hendricksen, D.D.S.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

William C. Bigelow, D.D.S.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** 

Margaret F. Lemaster, R.D.H.

**STAFF PRESENT:** 

Jamie C. Sacksteder, Executive Director Donna M. Lee, Discipline Case Manager Rebecca Smith, Adjudication Specialist

**QUORUM:** 

With two members present a quorum was established.

Ali Obeidi, D.D.S. Case No.: 217381

Dr. Obeidi appeared with counsel, Anthony Cottone, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated August 19, 2022. Dr. David Schleider appeared as an expert witness on behalf of Dr. Obeidi. The Committee received statements from Dr. Obeidi, Dr. Schleider, and Mr. Cottone and discussed the allegations with them.

**Closed Meeting:** 

Dr. Bigelow moved that the Committee 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 Ali Obeidi. Additionally, Dr. Bigelow moved that Ms. Sacksteder and Ms. Lee attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed.

Reconvene:

Dr. Bigelow moved that the Committee 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 passed.

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**DECISION:** 

The Committee voted unanimously to dismiss the allegations

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against Dr. Obeidi.

Date

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** 

Upon a motion by Dr. Bigelow, the minutes from the Informal

Conference conducted on August 12, 2022 were approved.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 

With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 10:59

a.m.

Alf Hendricksen, D.D.S., Chair

Jamie C. Sacksteder, Executive Director

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