

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF COUNSELING
FORMAL HEARING
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER: A panel of the Board of Counseling (“Board”) convened on Friday, January 9, 2015, at 10:06 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia, Board Room 3.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT, Chairperson
Cinda Caiella, LMFT
Benjamin Keyes, Th.D., Ph.D., Ed.D., LPC
Jane Nevins, LPC, LSATP
Joan Normandy-Dolberg, LPC
Phyllis Pugh, LPC, CSAC
Vivian Sanchez-Jones
Joseph Scislowicz, LPC, LMFT
Terry Tinsley, Ph.D., LPC, LMFT, CSOTP
Holly Tracy, LPC, LMFT

BOARD COUNSEL: James Rutkowski, Assistant Attorney General

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director
Tracey Arrington-Edmonds, Administrative Assistant

COURT REPORTER: Andrea Pegram, Andrea Pegram Court Reporting Services, LLC

RESPONDENT: Elizabeth Lee Button, LPC
License # 0701-004279
Case #: 159014

**RESPONDENT’S
ATTORNEY:** Richard Samet, Esquire

**PARTIES ON
BEHALF OF THE
COMMONWEALTH:** Corie Tillman Wolf, Assistant Attorney General
Emily Tatum, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division

DISCUSSION: During preliminary matters, Mr. Samet requested that the Board consider a Consent Order, in lieu of testimony of the Respondent and witnesses.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Dr. Tinsley and duly seconded, the Board voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of considering a Consent Order in the matter.

Additionally, Dr. Tinsley moved that Mr. Rutkowski, Ms. Lang and Ms. Arrington-Edmonds attend the closed meeting, because their presence was deemed necessary and would aid the Board.

RECONVENE: Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Board reconvened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION: Upon a motion by Dr. Keyes and duly seconded by Dr. Tinsley, the Board voted to accept a Consent Order, as modified. The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned at 12:07 p.m.

Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT – Board Chairperson

Date

Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director

Date