

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
FORMAL HEARINGS
September 15, 2022**

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Virginia Board of Nursing was called to order at 10:01 A.M., on September 15, 2022 in Board Room 4, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia.

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Cynthia M. Swineford, MSN, RN, CNE; First Vice-President
Laurie Buchwald, MSN, WHNP, FNP
Yvette L. Dorsey, DNP, RN
Ann T. Gleason, PhD, Citizen Member
Dixie L. McElfresh, LPN
Helen Parke, DNP-FNP-BC

STAFF PRESENT: Jay. P Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE; Executive Director
Christina Bargdill, BSN, MSH, RN; Deputy Executive Director
Breana Renick, Administrative Support Specialist
Tamika Claiborne, Senior Licensing/Discipline Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT: Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel
M. Brent Saunders, Assistant Attorney General

**ESTABLISHMENT OF
A PANEL:**

With six members of the Board present, a panel was established.

FORMAL HEARINGS: **Ashley Vest, CNA** **1401-146774**

Ms. Vest appeared.

Lori Pound, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Kim Taylor, court reporter, Farnsworth and Taylor Recording, recorded the proceedings.

Parke Slater, 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 10:33 A.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Ashley Vest**. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Renick, Ms. Claiborne, Ms. Mitchell, Board Counsel, and Mr. Saunders 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 by Ms. Buchwald and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 10:59 A.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 by Dr. Dorsey and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. McElfresh moved that the Board of Nursing revoke the certification of **Ashley Vest** to practice as nurse aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia and enter a Finding of Abuse against her in the Virginia Nurse Aide Registry. The motion was seconded by Ms. Buchwald 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 11:00 A.M.

RECONVENTION: The board reconvened at 11:12 A.M.

FORMAL HEARINGS: **Latrice Catina Valentine, CNA** **1401-106237**

Ms. Valentine appeared.

Lori Pound, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Kim Taylor, court reporter, Farnsworth and Taylor Recording, recorded the proceedings.

Meghan Wingate 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 11:54 A.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Latrice Catina Valentine**. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that Ms. Douglas,

Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Renick, Ms. Claiborne, Ms. Mitchell, Board Counsel, and Mr. Saunders 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 by Ms. Buchwald and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 12:23 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 by Ms. Buchwald and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. McElfresh moved that the Board of Nursing indefinitely suspend the certificate of **Latrice Catina Valentine** to practice as a nurse aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia for a period of not less than one year and enter a Finding of Neglect against her in the Virginia Nurse Aide Registry. The motion was seconded by Ms. Buchwald and carried with four votes in favor of the motion. Ms. Swineford and Dr. Gleason opposed the motion.

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 12:28 P.M.

RECONVENTION: The board reconvened at 1:18 P.M.

FORMAL HEARINGS: **Janae Lolita Graham-Bright, LPN Reinstatement Applicant**
0002-095996

Ms. Graham-Bright appeared.

Grace Stewart, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Kim Taylor, court reporter, Farnsworth and Taylor Recording, recorded the proceedings.

Kimberly Hyler, 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 1:54 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Janae Lolita Graham-Bright**. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Renick, Ms. Claiborne, Ms. Mitchell, board counsel, and Mr. Saunders 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 by Ms. Buchwald and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 2:16 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 by Ms. Buchwald and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Dr. Doresy moved that the Board of Nursing approve the application of **Janae Lolita Graham-Bright** for reinstatement of her license to practice practical nursing Commonwealth of Virginia without terms and conditions with a single state license. The motion was seconded by Ms. Buchwald 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 2:17 P.M.

Christina Bargdill, BSN, MHS, RN
Deputy Executive Director