

**APPROVED**

**BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

**MINUTES**

**SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE "A"**

**TIME AND PLACE:** Special Conference Committee "A" convened on September 27, 2021 at 9:02 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.

**FIRST CONFERENCE:**

**PRESIDING:** Patricia B. Bonwell, R.D.H., PhD

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sultan E. Chaudhry, D.D.S.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Sandra K. Reen, Deputy Executive Director  
Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager  
Shevaun Roukous, Adjudication Analyst

**QUORUM:** With two members present, a quorum was established.

**Jennifer Alston-Sako, D.D.S.  
Case No.: 207667** Dr. Alston-Sako appeared without counsel to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated August 13, 2021. The Committee received statements from Dr. Alston-Sako and discussed the allegations with her.

**Closed Meeting:** Dr. Chaudhry 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 Jennifer Alston-Sako. Additionally, Dr. Chaudhry moved that Ms. Reen, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Roukous 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. Chaudhry 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.

**DECISION:** The sanctions reported by Ms. Reen were that Dr. Alston-Sako was issued a reprimand and shall pay a \$2,000.00 monetary penalty.  
**Case No.: 207667**

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Within 6 months from the date of entry of the Order, Dr. Alston-Sako shall successfully complete a 4 hour continuing education course in the subject of radiographic diagnosis and interpretation.

Dr. Chaudhry moved to adopt the decision of the Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

**SECOND CONFERENCE:**

**PRESIDING:** Patricia B. Bonwell, R.D.H, PhD

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sultan E. Chaudhry, D.D.S.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director  
Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager  
Shevaun Roukous, Adjudication Analyst

**QUORUM:** With two members present, a quorum was established.

**James J. Bukovac, D.D.S.  
Case No.: 199660** Dr. Bukovac appeared with counsel, Nora Ciancio, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated August 12, 2021. The Committee received statements from Dr. Bukovac and Ms. Ciancio and discussed the allegations with them.

**Closed Meeting:** Dr. Chaudhry 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 James Bukovac. Additionally, Dr. Chaudhry moved that Ms. Reen, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Roukous 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. Chaudhry 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.

**DECISION:** The sanctions reported by Ms. Reen were that Dr. Bukovac shall pay a \$2,000.00 monetary penalty; and that within 6 months from the date of entry of the Order, successfully complete a 7 hour continuing education course in the subject of recordkeeping.  
**Case No.: 199660**

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Dr. Bukovac shall also certify in writing, that he has read and will comply with "Part VII. Controlled Substances, Sedation and Anesthesia" of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Dentistry ("Regulations"). It was further ordered that Dr. Bukovac shall certify in writing, that he has read the definitions under 18VAC60-21-10(D) of the Regulations which reference the words and terms relating to sedation or anesthesia.

Dr. Chaudhry moved to adopt the decision of the Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Upon a motion by Dr. Chaudhry, the minutes from the Informal Conference conducted on July 12, 2021 were approved.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 11:02 a.m.



Patricia B. Bonwell, RDH, PhD., Chair

12/13/2021

Date



Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director

12-14-21

Date