

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF COUNSELING
INFORMAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 16, 2012
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Counseling ("Board") convened on Thursday, February 16, 2012, at 9:32 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT, Chair
Charles R. McAdams, III, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT


STAFF PRESENT: Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline
Peter K. Opper, Adjudication Specialist
Laura Z. Rothrock, Administrative Assistant

MATTER SCHEDULED: Mariko Saito, LPC Applicant
Case No.: 140679

DISCUSSION: Mariko Saito appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated December 21, 2011, to consider her application for licensure by examination as a professional counselor, and to inquire into allegations that grounds exist to deny her application. Ms. Saito was represented by Vincent L. Robertson, Esquire. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Ms. Saito.

DECISION: Upon a motion by Dr. McAdams, and duly seconded by Dr. Brendel, the Committee made certain recommended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and voted to recommend to the Board that Ms. Saito's application to become a Licensed Professional Counselor by examination be denied.

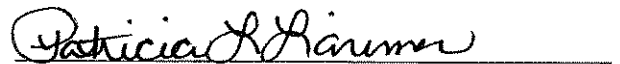
ADJOURNMENT: The Committee adjourned at 10:22 a.m.



Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT
Chair

Date

2/27/2012



Patricia L. Larimer, Executive Deputy Director,
Discipline

Date

2/29/2012

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INFORMAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 16, 2012
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Counseling ("Board") convened on Thursday, February 16, 2012, at 11:31 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT, Chair
Charles R. McAdams, III, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT

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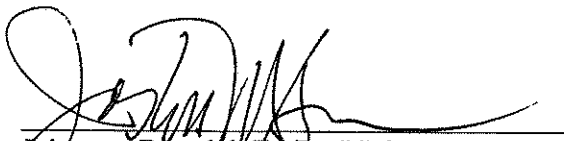
OTHERS PRESENT: Kari Galloway, Director, Friends of Guest House
Conchetta Taylor

MATTER SCHEDULED: Monique A. Ricks, CSAC-A Applicant
Case No.: 139359


DISCUSSION: Monique A. Ricks appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated December 20, 2011, to consider her application for certification by examination as a substance abuse counseling assistant, and to inquire into allegations that grounds exist to deny her application. Ms. Ricks was not represented by counsel. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Ms. Ricks. The Committee also received statements from Kari Galloway and Conchetta Taylor.

DECISION: Upon a motion by Dr. McAdams, and duly seconded by Dr. Brendel, the Committee voted to approve Ms. Rick's application for certification by examination as a substance abuse counseling assistant.

ADJOURNMENT: The Committee adjourned at 12:14 p.m.


Johnston Brendel, Ed.D., LPC, LMFT
Chair

02/27/2012
Date


Patricia L. Larimer, Executive Deputy Director,
Discipline

2/29/12
Date