

VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
COMMITTEE OF THE JOINT BOARDS OF NURSING AND MEDICINE
VIRTUAL INFORMAL CONFERENCE
MINUTES
April 21, 2021

TIME AND PLACE: The virtual Webex informal conference of the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine was called to order at 11:27 A.M., on April 21, 2021.

Due to COVID-19 declared state of emergency and consistent with Amendment 28 to HB29 (Budget Bill for 2018-2020) and the applicable provision of §2.2-3708.2 in the Freedom of Information Act, the Committee convened a virtual meeting to consider such regulatory and business matters as was presented on the agenda for the Committee to discharge its lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS
PARTICIPATED
VIRTUALLY:**

Marie Gerardo, MS, RN, ANP-BC, Chairperson
Louise Hershkowitz, CRNA, MSHA;
Lori Conklin, MD

**STAFF PARTICIPATED
VIRTUALLY:**

Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE; Executive Director
Robin Hills, RN, DNP, WHNP; Deputy Executive Director for Advanced Practice
Huong Vu, Executive Assistant
Sally Ragsdale, Discipline Specialist

**OTHERS PARTICIPATED
VIRTUALLY:**

Anne Joseph, Adjudication Consultant, Administrative Proceedings Division (APD)
Michael Scott Addair, LNP Reinstatement Applicant
Sylvia Tamayo-Suijk, Senior Discipline Specialist
Henry Fisher, DHP Video Conference Specialist
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**CONFERENCE
SCHEDULED:**

Michael Scott Addair, LNP Reinstatement Applicant
0024- 167226

Mr. Addair participated.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Informal Conference Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(28) of the *Code of Virginia* at 12:38 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Michael Scott Addair**. Additionally, Ms. Hershkowitz moved that Ms. Douglas, Dr. Hills, Ms. Vu and Ms. Joseph, 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 properly seconded by Dr. Conklin. A roll call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:02 P.M.

Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Informal Conference Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine 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 properly seconded by Dr. Conklin. A roll call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Hershkowitz moved to deny the application of Michael Scott Addair for reinstatement of his license to practice as a nurse practitioner in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The motion was properly seconded by Dr. Conklin. A roll call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Mr. Addair, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Addair within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 P.M.

Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE
Executive Director