

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
FORMAL HEARINGS
May 16, 2022**

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Virginia Board of Nursing was called to order at 10:01 A.M., on March 21, 2022 in Board Room 2, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia.

**BOARD MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Brandon A. Jones, MSN, RN, CEN, NEA-BC; President
Terri Crawford Brown, RNC, MSN
Margaret J. Friedenberg, Citizen Member
Marie Gerardo, MS, RN, ANP-BC
A Tucker Gleason PhD, Citizen Member
James Hermansen-Parker, MSN, RN, PCCN-K

STAFF PRESENT:

Robin L. Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP; Deputy Executive Director for Advanced Practice
Christina Bargdill, BSN, MHS, RN; Deputy Executive Director
Lakisha Goode, Discipline Team Coordinator

OTHERS PRESENT:

Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel
Krista Samuels, Assistant Attorney General

**ESTABLISHMENT OF
A PANEL:**

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

FORMAL HEARING:

Lori Corliss Herring, RN **0001-127428**

Ms. Herring appeared and was accompanied by Tabitha Herring and Mark Obenshain.

James Schliessmann, Assistant Attorney General, and Tammie Jones, Adjudication Consultant, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Kim Taylor, court reporter, Farnsworth and Taylor Reporting, recorded the proceedings.

Scott Dillon, Senior Investigator, Enforcement Division, Stacy Windle, APSW, Deputy Travis James (T.J.) Justice, were 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 11:18 A.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Lori**

Corliss Herring. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Goode, Ms. Samuels and Ms. Mitchell 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 Mr. Hermansen-Parker and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 12:34 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. Friedenbergl and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Crawford Brown moved that the Board of Nursing indefinitely suspend the license of **Lori Corliss Herring** to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia for a period of not less than one year. The motion was seconded by Ms. Friedenbergl and carried with four votes in favor of the motion. Ms. Gerardo and Mr. Hermansen-Parker 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 12:50 P.M.

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

FORMAL HEARING: **Lavonna Shirrie Lucas, CNA** **1401-172483**

Ms. Lucas did not appear.

Tammie Jones, Adjudication Consultant, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the board. Kim Taylor, court reporter, Farnsworth and Taylor Reporting, recorded the proceedings.

Gayle Miller, 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 1:31 P.M., for the

purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter **Lavonna Shirrie Lucas**. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Samuels, Ms. Goode and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting in its deliberations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hermansen Parker and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Board reconvened in open session at 1:38 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 Mr. Hermansen-Parker and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Mr. Gerardo moved that the Board of Nursing deny the application of **Lavonna Shirrie Lucas** for reinstatement of her certificate to practice as a nurse aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hermansen-Parker 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.

FORMAL HEARING:

Cassandra Lynette Jones, CNA

1401-095830

Ms. Jones appeared.

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

Gayle Miller and Jennifer Challis, Senior Investigators, Enforcement Division, and Scott Williamson, N.H.A. were 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 3:07 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Cassandra Lynette Jones**. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that that Dr. Hills, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Goode, Ms. Samuels and Ms. Mitchell 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 Mr. Hermansen-Parker and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 3:22 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. Gerardo and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that the Board of Nursing deny the application of **Cassandra Lynette Jones** for reinstatement of her certificate to practice as a nurse aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia, and to enter a Finding of Misappropriation of property against her in the Virginia Registry of Nurse Aide. The motion was seconded by Ms. Gerardo 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 3:23 P.M.

Christina Bargdill, BSN, MHS, RN;
Deputy Executive Director