

VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE E
April 12, 2022

- TIME AND PLACE:** The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:05 A.M., on April 12, 2022 in Training Room 2, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Felisa A. Smith, PhD, MSA, RN, CNE, – Chairperson
Dixie L. McElfresh, LPN
- STAFF PRESENT:** Charlette Ridout, RN, MS, CNE, RN Probable Cause Reviewer/ Education Program Inspector
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Grace Stewart, Adjudication Specialist for Darlington Tobenna Mochaa-Uchefuna, RN
David Kazzie, Adjudication Consultant for Richard Ason-Ikhena, MD, RN
Lori Pound, Adjudication Consultant for Robert Eason Lambertson, Jr, LPN
Ann Hardy, Compliance and Case Adjudication Manager for the Board of Nursing
Ms. Armstrong for the Administrative Proceedings Division
Tonya James, Compliance Case Manager for the Board of Nursing
- CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:** **Darlington Tobenna Mochaa-Uchefuna, RN 0001-262697**
Mr. Mochaa-Uchefuna appeared, accompanied by his wife. The source, Richard Rose was present.
- CLOSED MEETING:** Ms. McElfresh moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:24 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Mochaa-Uchefuna. Additionally, Ms. McElfresh moved that Ms. Ridout, Ms. Stewart and Ms. Armstrong 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 carried unanimously.
- RECONVENTION:** The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:48 A.M.

Ms. McElfresh moved that the Special Conference Committee of 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 and carried unanimously.
- ACTION:** Ms. McElfresh moved to issue an Order of Reprimand to Darlington Tobenna Mochaa-Uchefuna and require Mr. Mochaa-Uchefuna to provide proof of completion of the following three courses of three credit hours each within 90 days of entry of the Order: “*Liability and Ethics of Professional Nursing*”, “*Patient Safety and Abuse*” and “*Implementation of De-escalation Techniques*”. The basis of this decision will be set forth in an Order which will be mailed to

Darlington Tobenna Mochaa-Uchefuna at his address of record with the Board. The motion was seconded and 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. Mochaa-Uchefuna unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Mochaa-Uchefuna 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.

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

**Richard Ason-Ikhena MD, RN 0028-000325/Maryland License R207934
with multistate privilege**

Mr. Ason-Ikhena appeared, accompanied by his attorney, Margaret Hardy.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. McElfresh moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 11:41 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Ason-Ikhena. Additionally, Ms. McElfresh moved that Ms. Ridout and Mr Kazzie 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 carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 12:14 P.M.

Ms. McElfresh moved that the Special Conference Committee of 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 and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. McElfresh moved to issue an Order of Reprimand to Richard Ason-Ikhena and require Mr. Ason-Ikhena to provide proof of completion of the following three courses of three credit hours each within 90 days of entry of the Order: *Proper Documentation*, *Professional Accountability & Legal Liability for Nurses* and *Safe Medication administration and Medication Error*. The basis of this decision will be set forth in an Order which will be mailed to Richard Ason-Ikhena at his address of record with the Board. The motion was seconded and 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. Ason-Ikhena unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Mochaa-Uchefuna 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.

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

Robert Eason Lambertson, Jr, LPN 0002-074907
Mr. Lambertson, Jr appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. McElfresh moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:29 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Lambertson, Jr. Additionally, Ms. McElfresh moved that Ms. Ridout I and Ms. Pound 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 carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:54 P.M.

Ms. McElfresh moved that the Special Conference Committee of 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 and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. McElfresh moved to issue an Order to place Robert Eason Lambertson, Jr on probation with terms with 1 year of active practice as a licensed practical nurse. The basis of this decision will be set forth in an Order which will be mailed to Robert Eason Lambertson, Jr at his address of record with the Board. The motion was seconded and 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. Lambertson, Jr unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Lambertson, Jr 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 Board adjourned at 3:00 P.M.



Charlette Ridout, RN, MS, CNE
RN Probable Cause Reviewer
Education Program Inspector