

VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
POSSIBLE SUMMARY SUSPENSION TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL
November 7, 2022

A possible summary suspension telephone conference call of the Virginia Board of Nursing was held November 7, 2022 at 4:30 P.M.

The Board of Nursing members participating in the call were:

Brandon Jones, MSN, RN, CEN, NEA-BC; **Chair**
Carol Cartte, RN, BSN
Yvette Dorsey, DNP, RN
Margaret Friedenberg, Citizen Member
Tucker Gleason, PhD, Citizen Member
James Hermansen-Parker, MSN, RN, PCCN-K
Dixie L. McElfresh, LPN
Jennifer Phelps, BS, LPN, QMHP-A, CSAC
Cynthia Swineford, RN, MSN, CNE

Others participating in the meeting were:

Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel
Erin Weaver, Assistant Attorney General
Jay Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE; Executive Director
Christina Bargdill BSN, MHS; Deputy Executive Director
Claire Morris, RN, LNHA; Deputy Executive Director
Huong Vu, Operations Manager
Breana Renick, Administrative Support Specialist
Lakisha Goode, Discipline Team Coordinator
Sylvia Tamayo-Syujk, Senior Nursing Discipline Specialist

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Jones. With 9 members of the Board of Nursing participating, a quorum was established.

Erin Weaver, Assistant Attorney General, presented evidence that the continue practice of professional nursing by **Benjamin Clark (Georgia license No. RN288020 with multistate privilege)** may present a substantial danger to the health and safety of the public.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Swineford moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 4:53 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Benjamin Clark, RN**. Additionally, Ms. Swineford moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Morris, Ms. Bargdill, Ms. Vu, 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 5:18 P.M.

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Ms. Swineford 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 Mr. Hermansen-Parker and carried unanimously.

Ms. Weaver re-joined the meeting at 5:18 P.M.

Mr. Chair asked for a motion regarding the summary suspension consideration.

The Board made no motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:19 P.M.

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