

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
AGENCY SUBORDINATE
INFORMAL CONFERENCE
May 1, 2024**

TIME AND PLACE: The informal conference held before an Agency Subordinate of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:00 A.M., on May 1, 2024, in Hearing Room 5, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia.

AGENCY
SUBORDINATE: Marie Gerardo, MS, RN, ANP-BC

STAFF PRESENT: Charlette Ridout, RN, MS, CNE

OTHERS PRESENT: Grace Stewart, Adjudication Specialist
Melissa Gray, Adjudication Specialist
David Kazzie, Adjudication Consultant
Avi Efreom, Adjudication Specialist
Jovonni Armstead, Adjudication Specialist
Cassandra Williams
Eileen Talamante
Francisco Ferrer
Mark Barenklau

CONFERENCE
SCHEDULED: **Nicole Alicia Stevenson, LPN 0002-101371**
Ms. Stevenson appeared accompanied by her husband, Francisco Ferrer and attorney, Cassandra Williams.

Ms. Stevenson was informed a recommended decision will be made and mailed to her within ninety days.

This recommendation will be presented to the Full Board; if accepted, an Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Stevenson unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Stevenson 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.

CONFERENCE
SCHEDULED: **Heather Darr Barenklau, RN 0001-185772**
Ms. Barenklau appeared, accompanied by her husband, Mark Barenklau.

Ms. Barenklau was informed a recommended decision will be made and mailed to her within ninety days.

This recommendation will be presented to the Full Board; if accepted, an Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Barenklau unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Barenklau 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.

The Agency Subordinate Informal Conference recessed at 11:30 A.M.

The Agency Subordinate Informal Conference reconvened at 1:00 P.M.

CONFERENCE
SCHEDULED:

Tracy Lynn Brown Matthews, LPN 0002-052606

Ms. Matthews appeared accompanied by her attorney, Eileen Talamante.

Ms. Matthews was informed a recommended decision will be made and mailed to her within ninety days.

This recommendation will be presented to the Full Board; if accepted, an Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Matthews unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Matthews 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.

CONFERENCE
SCHEDULED:

Deborah Ruth Spainhour, RN 0001-100653

Ms. Spainhour did not appear.

Based upon information provided by Mr. Efreom, Ms. Gerardo ruled that adequate notice was provided to Ms. Spainhour

A recommended decision will be mailed to Ms. Spainhour within ninety days.

This recommendation will be presented to the Full Board; if accepted, an Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Spainhour unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Spainhour 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.

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SCHEDULED:

Rita Scott Warren, LPN 0002-035208

Ms. Warren did not appear.

Based upon information provided by Mr. Efreom, Ms. Gerardo ruled that adequate notice was provided to Ms. Warren

A recommended decision will be mailed to Ms. Warren within ninety days.

This recommendation will be presented to the Full Board; if accepted, an Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Warren unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Warren 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 conference was concluded at 2:55 p.m.



Charlette Ridout, RN, MS, CNE
Board Staff

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