

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY  
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
MARCH 14, 2008  
DRAFT MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:** A Special Conference Committee convened on March 14, 2008, at 10:00 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ann Tolbert Benson, Ed.S, Chair  
Robert S Falk, Ph.D.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Evelyn B. Brown, Executive Director  
Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director  
Tammie Jones, Adjudication Specialist  
Beverly Hutson-Bryan, Administrative Assistant

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Alan Thornburg

**MATTER SCHEDULED:** **Maria Raciti, Ph.D.**  
**License No. 0810001881**  
**Case No.: 103790**

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Raciti appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated December 14, 2007, to review allegations that she may have violated portions of the laws and regulations governing the practice of psychology in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Ms. Raciti was represented by Robert Long, Esquire. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Ms. Raciti.

The committee also heard from Alan Thornburg.

**CLOSED SESSION:** Upon a motion by Dr. Falk and duly seconded by Ms. Benson, the Committee voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(28) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Maria Raciti, Ph.D. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Brown, Ms. Larimer, Ms. Jones and Ms. Hutson-Bryan attend the closed meeting, because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations.

**RECONVENE:** Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of § 2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee reconvened in open session and announced its decision.

**DECISION:**

The Committee ORDERED that this matter be CONTINUED generally under the following terms: Dr. Raciti shall submit to a neuro-psychological evaluation, to include such testing as deemed appropriate, by a Board approved clinical psychologist and have a written report of the evaluation including diagnosis, recommended course of treatment, prognosis and any recommendations submitted to the Board within ninety (90) days of the date the order is entered.

Upon receipt to the report the psychological evaluation, the Committee shall review said report and render their decision in this matter.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Committee adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

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Ann Tolbert Benson, Ed.S., Chair

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Evelyn B. Brown, Executive Director

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