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**VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

November 2, 2016 **Department of Health Professions** **Henrico, Virginia**
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite #300

CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 8:57 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin O'Connor, M.D., Chair
Jane Hickey, J.D.
David Archer, M.D.

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline
Tamika Hines, Discipline Case Manager
Melanie Pagano, Adjudication Specialist

MATTER: **Karen Washington, M.D.** **License No.: 0101-236700**
Case No.: 169090

DISCUSSION: Dr. Washington appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated July 8, 2016. Dr. Washington was represented by Gerald C. Canaan, II, Esquire.

The Committee fully discussed the allegations in the Notice with Dr. Washington.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Ms. Hickey, and duly seconded by Dr. Archer, the Committee voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711.A (27) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Dr. Washington. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Hines 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 re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Ms. Hickey, and duly seconded by Dr. Archer, the Committee made certain findings of fact and conclusions of law and voted to issue Dr. Washington a reprimand and subject her license to certain terms and conditions.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Dr. Washington, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Dr. Washington, within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail three (3) additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of the Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.

Kevin O'Connor, M.D., Chair

William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

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CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 11:01 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin O'Connor, M.D., Chair
Jane Hickey, J.D.
David Archer, M.D.

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline
Tamika Hines, Discipline Case Manager
Elena Callwood, Adjudication Specialist

MATTER: Richard Gaertner, M.D. License No.: 0101-021183
Case No.: 162014

DISCUSSION: Dr. Gaertner appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated September 26, 2016. Dr. Gaertner was represented by Ramon Rodriguez, III, M.D., Esquire.

The Committee fully discussed the allegations in the Notice with Dr. Gaertner.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Ms. Hickey, and duly seconded by Dr. Archer, the Committee voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711.A (27) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Dr. Gaertner. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Hines 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 re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Ms. Hickey, and duly seconded by Dr. Archer, the Committee voted to dismiss the matter.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

Kevin O'Connor, M.D., Chair

William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

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DECISION:

Upon a motion by Ms. Hickey, and duly seconded by Dr. O'Connor, the Committee made certain findings of fact and conclusions of law and voted to issue Ms. Crotts a reprimand and ordered that she continue to comply with her Recovering Monitoring Contract with the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 2:26 p.m.

As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Ms. Crotts, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Crotts, within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail three (3) additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of the Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.

Daniel Rowley, R.T., Chair

William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

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