

VIRGINIA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

MINUTES

SPECIAL SESSION - TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL

- CALL TO ORDER:** On March 28, 2011, at 12:35 p.m., at the offices of the Department of Health Professions, with a quorum of the Virginia Board of Psychology (“Board”) present and the Board Chair presiding, the Board convened to consider whether a practitioner’s ability to practice as a licensed clinical psychologist constituted a substantial danger to the public health and safety pursuant to § 54.1-2408.1(A) of the *Code of Virginia*.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Desideria S. Hacker, Ph.D., Chair
Ann T. Benson, Ed.S.
Krishna Leyva, Citizen Member
Sonia H. Price, Esq., Citizen Member
Herbert Lee Stewart, Ph.D.
- MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jeffrey L. Clark, Ph.D.
Michael L. Stutts, Ph.D.
Robert S. Falk, Ph.D.
- POLL OF MEMBERS:** The Board members were polled as to whether they could have attended a regular meeting at the offices of the Board in a timely manner for the purpose of hearing evidence in a possible summary suspension case. The Board members stated that they would not have been able to attend.
- QUORUM:** With five (5) members participating, a quorum was established.
- STAFF PRESENT:** Evelyn B. Brown, Executive Director
Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director - Discipline
Deborah Harris, Administrative Assistant
- BOARD COUNSEL:** Howard M. Casway, Senior Assistant Attorney General
- PARTIES FOR THE COMMONWEALTH:** James E. Schliessmann, Assistant Attorney General
Peter Opper, Adjudication Specialist
- MATTER CONSIDERED:** Jorge Rodriguez, Ph.D.
License No.: 0810-001925
Case No.: 136401

The Board received information from Mr. Schliessmann in order to determine whether Dr. Rodriguez' ability to practice as a licensed clinical psychologist constituted a substantial danger to public health and safety. Mr. Schliessmann provided details of the case to the Board for its consideration.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Stewart, and duly seconded by Ms. Benson, the Board determined that the practice of Jorge Rodriguez constituted a substantial danger to the public health and safety and voted to summarily suspend Dr. Rodriguez' license simultaneous with the institution of proceedings for a formal administrative hearing pursuant to § 54.1-2408.1(A) of the *Code of Virginia*, and the offer of a Consent Order for Indefinite Suspension.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

With all business concluded, the Board adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

Desideria S. Hacker, Ph.D., Chair

Evelyn B. Brown, Executive Director, Board of Psychology

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