VIRGINIA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY **FORMAL HEARING MINUTES FEBRUARY 9, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER:

Consistent with Amendment 28 to HB29 and the applicable provisions of § 2.2-3708.2 of the Freedom of Information Act, the Board of Psychology ("Board") convened a virtual formal hearing on February 9, 2021 at 12:37 p.m. via Cisco WebEx.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

James Werth, Ph.D., LCP, Chairperson

John D Ball, Ph.D., ABPP, LCP Aliya Chapman, Ph.D., LCP Christine Payne, Citizen Member Herbert Stewart, Ph.D., LCP

Stephanie Valentine, Citizen Member Susan Brown Wallace, Ph.D., LCP, LSP

BOARD COUNSEL:

James Rutkowski, Assistant Attorney General

Office of the Attorney General

STAFF PRESENT:

Christy Evans, Discipline Case Manager

Jaime Hoyle, Executive Director

Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director Charlotte Lenart, Deputy Executive Director

COURT REPORTER:

Mercedes Riddick-Williams, CTR

Veteran Reporters

RESPONDENT:

David Mitchell, Psy.D., LCP Reinstatement Applicant

License #:

0810004863

Case #:

203459

WITNESSES ON BEHALF OF

THE RESPONDENT:

None.

PARTIES ON BEHALF OF THE

COMMONWEALTH:

Emily Tatum, Adjudication Specialist Administrative Proceedings Division

WITNESSES ON BEHALF OF

THE COMMONWEALTH:

None

DISCUSSION:

Dr. Mitchell appeared in person before the Board, without legal counsel, and fully discussed the allegations contained in the Notice of Formal Hearing dated January 6, 2021. The Board received evidence and sworn testimony regarding the

allegations contained in the Notice.

CLOSED SESSION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Ball, and duly seconded by Dr. Wallace, the Board 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. Additionally, he moved that James Rutkowski, Jaime Hoyle, Jennifer Lang, Charlotte Lenart, and Christy Evans attend the closed meeting because their presence was deemed necessary and would aid the Board in its deliberation.

RECONVENE:

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

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Stewart, and duly seconded by Dr. Wallace, the Board made certain findings of fact and conclusions of law, and voted to deny Dr. Mitchell's application for reinstatement.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

The decision shall be effective upon the entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusions and decisions of this formal hearing panel.

James Werth, Jr., Ph.D., LCP, Chairperson

Virginia Board of Psychology

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Jaime Hoyle, JD, Executive Director Virginia Board of Psychology