

VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
FORMAL HEARINGS
July 19, 2022
Panel A

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Virginia Board of Nursing was called to order at 10:02 A.M., on July 19, 2022 in Board Room 2, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia.

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Brandon Jones, MSN, RN, CEN, NEA-BC; President
Felisa A. Smith, PhD, MSA, RN, CNE; Second Vice-President
Yvette L. Dorsey, DNP, RN
Margaret J. Friedenberg, Citizen Member
Dixie L. McElfresh, LPN

STAFF PRESENT:

Lelia Claire Morris, RN, LNHA; Deputy Executive Director
Robin L. Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP; Deputy Executive Director
Francesca Iyengar, MSN, RN, Discipline Case Manager
Lakisha Goode, Discipline Team Coordinator
Ann Hardy, MSN, RN, Compliance and Case Adjudication Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT:

Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel

ESTABLISHMENT OF
A PANEL:

With five members of the Board present, a panel was established.

FORMAL HEARINGS:

Sheronda Drumgole, CNA **1401-212595**

Ms. Drumgole did not appear.

Amanda Wilson, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Kim Taylor, court reporter, Farnsworth and Taylor Recording, recorded the proceedings.

CLOSED MEETING:

Dr. Dorsey moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 10:12 A.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Sheronda Drumgole**. Additionally, Dr. Dorsey moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Goode, Ms. Hardy and Ms. Mitchell, board counsel, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Smith and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 10:27 A.M.

Dr. Dorsey moved that the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded by Dr. Smith and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. McElfresh moved that the Board of Nursing indefinitely suspend the certificate of **Sheronda Drumgole** to practice as nurse aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia and for not less than one year. The motion was seconded by Dr. Smith and carried unanimously.

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

RECESS: The board recessed at 10:30 A.M.

RECONVENTION: The board reconvened at 11:00 A.M.

FORMAL HEARINGS: **Tela Seda Franklin, RN Reinstatement** **0001-256517**

Ms. Franklin did not appear.

Claire Foley, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative Proceedings Division, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. Kim Taylor, court reporter, Farnsworth and Taylor Recording, recorded the proceedings.

Jermial Gray, Senior Investigator, Enforcement Division, was present and testified.

CLOSED MEETING: Dr. Dorsey moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia at 11:08 A.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Tela Seda Franklin**. Additionally, Dr. Dorsey moved that Ms. Morris, Dr. Hills, Ms. Goode, Ms. Hardy and Ms. Mitchell, board counsel, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Smith and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 11:18 A.M.

Dr. Dorsey moved that the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded by Dr. Smith and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. McElfresh moved that the Board of Nursing deny the application of **Tela Seda Franklin** for reinstatement of her license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The motion was seconded by Dr. Dorsey and carried unanimously.

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

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned at 11:19 A.M.

Robin Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP
Deputy Executive Director for Advanced Practice