

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF COUNSELING  
FORMAL HEARING  
MINUTES**

**August 20, 2021**

Department of Health Professions  
Perimeter Center  
9960 Mayland Drive  
Henrico, Virginia 23233

**Matter:** **Valeria Moore, QMHP-A Reinstatement Applicant**  
Attorney: n/a

Registration No.: 0732002673  
Case No.: 211170

**Call to Order:** A panel of the Board of Counseling convened on August 20, 2021 at 1:40 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA in Board Room 4.

**Board Members Present:** Johnston Brendel Ed.D., LPC, LMFT, Chairperson  
Angela Charlton, Ph.D., LPC  
Natalie Harris, LPC, LMFT  
Danielle Hunt, LPC  
Gerard Lawson, Ph.D., LPC, LSATP  
Vivian Sanchez-Jones, Citizen Member  
Terry Tinsley, Ph.D., LPC, LMFT  
Tiffinee Yancey, Ph.D., LPC

**Establishment of a Panel:** With eight (8) members present, a panel of the board was established.

**Board Counsel:** James Rutkowski, Assistant Attorney General

**Board Staff:** Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director

**Court Reporter:** Racheal Steck, CTR  
Veteran Reporters

**Witnesses on Behalf of the Respondent:** None

**Parties on Behalf of the Commonwealth:** Emily Tatum, Adjudication Specialist, APD

**Witnesses on Behalf of the Commonwealth:** Renee White, Sr. Investigator, DHP

**Preliminary Matters:** None

**Discussion:** Ms. Moore appeared in person before the Board, without legal counsel, and fully discussed the allegations contained in the Notice of Formal Hearing dated July 21, 2021. The Board received evidence and sworn testimony regarding the allegations contained in the Notice.

**Closed Session:**

Upon a motion by Ms. Hunt, and duly seconded by Ms. Harris, 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, she moved that James Rutkowski and Jennifer Lang 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 and Vote:**

Dr. Yancey moved that the Board of Counseling approve Ms. Moore's reinstatement application. The basis for this decision will be set forth in a final Board Order which will be sent to Ms. Moore at the address of record. The motion was properly seconded by Ms. Sanchez-Jones. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment:**

The Board adjourned at 2:30 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.*

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Johnston Brendel Ed.D., LPC, LMFT, Chairperson  
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