## **APPROVED**

## **BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

## **MINUTES** SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE "A"

TIME AND PLACE: Special Conference Committee "A" convened on November 17.

> 2017, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions. Perimeter Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Center, 9960 Mayland

Drive, Henrico, VA 23233.

**FIRST CONFERENCE:** 9:00 a.m.

Case No.: 171589

PRESIDING: Tonya A. Parris-Wilkins, D.D.S.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Nathaniel C. Bryant, D.D.S.

Tammy C. Ridout, R.D.H.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Patricia B. Bonwell, R.D.H., PhD

STAFF PRESENT: Kelley W. Palmatier, Deputy Executive Director

> Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager Elena Callwood, Adjudication Specialist

**QUORUM:** With three members present, a quorum was established.

Melvin Ford, III, D.D.S. Dr. Ford appeared with counsel, Gerald C. Canaan, to discuss

the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated July 11, 2017. The Committee received statements from Dr. Ford

and Mr. Canaan and discussed the allegations with them.

**Closed Meeting:** Dr. Bryant moved that the Committee 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 Melvin Ford. Additionally, Dr. Bryant moved that Ms. Palmatier and Ms. Lee attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

motion was seconded and passed.

Reconvene: Dr. Bryant moved that the Committee 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 and passed.

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**DECISION:** 

Ms. Palmatier reported that the Committee dismissed the

Case No.: 171589 allegations against Dr. Ford.

Ms. Ridout moved to adopt the decision of the Committee.

The motion was seconded and passed.

**SECOND CONFERENCE:** 10:35 a.m.

**PRESIDING:** Tonya A. Parris-Wilkins, D.D.S.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Nathaniel C. Bryant, D.D.S.

Tammy C. Ridout, R.D.H.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Patricia B. Bonwell, R.D.H., PhD

STAFF PRESENT: Kelley W. Palmatier, Deputy Executive Director

Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager Elena Callwood, Adjudication Specialist

QUORUM: With three members present, a quorum was established.

Richard M. Pollock, D.M.D.

Case Nos.: 169215, 170387

Dr. Pollock appeared with counsel, Kenneth Hirtz, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated July 28, 2017. The Committee received additional evidence and statements from Dr. Pollock and Mr. Hirtz and discussed the

allegations with them.

Closed Meeting: Dr. Bryant moved that the Committee 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 Richard Pollock. Additionally, Dr. Bryant moved that Ms. Palmatier and Ms. Lee attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The

motion was seconded and passed.

**Reconvene:** Dr. Bryant moved that the Committee 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 and passed.

**DECISION:** 

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Ms. Palmatier reported that the Committee dismissed the allegations against Dr. Pollock.

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Ms. Ridout moved to adopt the decision of the Committee.

The motion was seconded and passed.

Approval of Minutes: Upon a motion by Dr. Bryant, the minutes from the Informal

Conference conducted on October 13, 2017 were approved.

ADJOURNMENT: With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 1:10

p.m.

Onya A. Parris-Wilkins, D.D.S., Chair

Date /

Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director

Date