

(DRAFT/UNAPPROVED)
VIRGINIA BOARD OF PHARMACY

POSSIBLE SUMMARY SUSPENSION PRESENTATION & MINUTES OF A PANEL OF THE BOARD

Wednesday, February 7, 2024
Commonwealth Conference Center
Second Floor
Board Room 2

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

Orders/Consent Orders referred to in these minutes are available upon request

CALL TO ORDER:

A meeting of a quorum of the Board of Pharmacy ("Board") was called to order at 1:02 PM for the purpose of a possible summary suspension presentations.

PRESIDING:

Dale St. Clair, Chairman

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ms. Michelle Hoffer
Mrs. Patricia Richards-Spruill
Ms. Cheri Garvin
Dr. Ling Yuan
Mr. Larry Kocot
Dr. Sarah Melton
Dr. Shannon Dowdy

STAFF PRESENT:

Caroline D. Juran, Executive Director
Ellen B. Shinaberry, Deputy Executive Director
James Rutkowski, Assistant Attorney General
David Robinson, Assistant Attorney General
Rebecca Ribley, Adjudication Specialist
Sorayah Haden, Executive Assistant

QUORUM:

With eight (8) members of the Board present, a quorum of the board was established.

PURPOSE:

CASE NO. 233711

David Robinson, Assistant Attorney General, presented a summary of the evidence in this case. Mr. Robinson was assisted by Rebecca Ribley, Adjudication Specialist.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Ms. Garvin and duly seconded by Mr. Kocot, the Board unanimously voted (8-0) that with the evidence presented, Chenaniah Towner poses a substantial danger to the public; and therefore, the Board voted to summarily suspended Mr. Towner's pharmacy technician registration, to notice him for a formal hearing, and offer a consent order in lieu of the formal hearing.

AMANDA WHITMAN
License No. Pending

A formal hearing was held in the matter of Amanda Whitman to discuss allegations that she may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of pharmacy in Virginia as provided in the notice dated September 15, 2023.

With eight (8) members of the Board present, a quorum of the board was established.

Christine Andreoli, Adjudication Specialist, presented the case.

Amanda Whitman was present at the hearing and was not represented by counsel.

WITNESSES

Renee White, Senior Investigator for DHP testified in person on behalf of the Commonwealth.

Amanda Whitman testified on her own behalf.

CLOSED MEETING:

Upon a motion by Ms. Garvin, and duly seconded by Mrs. Richards-Spruill, the Board voted 8-0, to convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia ("Code"), for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision regarding the matter of Amanda Whitman. Additionally, she moved that Ellen Shinaberry, Caroline Juran, Jim Rutkowski, and Sorayah Hayden attend the closed meeting.

RECONVENE:

Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed meeting met the requirements of § 2.2-3712 of the Code, the Board reconvened an open meeting and announced the decision. (Garvin/Kocot)

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Ms. Hoffer, and duly seconded by Mrs. Richards-Spruill, the Board voted 8-0 to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of law as presented by the Commonwealth and amended by the Board.

Upon a motion by Dr. Dowdy, and duly seconded by Dr. Yuan, the board voted 6-2 to grant Ms. Whitman her pharmacist license and to issue a reprimand.

LISA ANNE PUCHALSKI
Registration No.: 0230-037809

A formal hearing was held in the matter of Lisa A. Puchalski to discuss allegations that she may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of pharmacy technician in Virginia as provided in the notice dated December 19, 2023. Jess Weber, Adjudication Specialist, presented the case on behalf of the Commonwealth.

With eight (8) members of the Board present, a quorum of the board was established.

Ms. Puchalski was not present at the hearing.

WITNESSES

Christopher Moore, former DHP Senior Investigator, Neil Pastore, Walgreens Asset Protection Specialist, and Phillip Weaver, Pharmacy Manager Walgreens, testified by telephone for the Commonwealth.

CLOSED MEETING:

Upon a motion by Ms. Garvin, and duly seconded by Mr. Kocot, the Board voted 8-0, to convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia ("Code"), for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision regarding the matter of Lisa A. Puchalski. Additionally, she moved that Ellen Shinaberry, Caroline Juran, Jim Rutkowski, and Sorayah Hayden attend the closed meeting.

RECONVENE:

Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed meeting met the requirements of § 2.2-3712 of the Code, the Board reconvened an open meeting and announced the decision. (Garvin/Kocot)

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Ms. Hoffer, and duly seconded by Dr. Melton, the Board voted 8-0 to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as presented by the Commonwealth.

Upon a motion by Dr. Yuan, and duly seconded by Ms. Garvin, the board voted 8-0 to revoke the pharmacy technician registration of Lisa A. Puchalski.

ADJOURNED:

4:13 PM

Caroline D. Juran, Executive Director

Date