

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF COUNSELING
INFORMAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
June 3, 2010
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee (“Committee”) of the Board of Counseling (“Board”) convened on June 3, 2010, at 9:10 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, VA.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Lou Argow, Chair, LPC, LMFT, LSATP
John Penn Turner, LPC, LSATP

STAFF PRESENT: Evelyn B. Brown, Executive Director
Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director
Peter Opper, Adjudication Specialist
Debbie Harris, Administrative Assistant

MATTER SCHEDULED: Katanya Good, LPC Applicant

Case No.: 131189

DISCUSSION: Katanya Good appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board amended June 1, 2010, to consider her application for licensure as a licensed professional counselor, and to inquire into allegations that grounds exist to deny her application. Ms. Good was accompanied by Betsy Strawderman, MFT, LPC, her current supervisor and not represented by counsel. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Ms. Good. The Committee also received statements from Ms. Strawderman.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by John Penn Turner and duly seconded by Ms. Argow, the Committee voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation in the matter of Katanya Good. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Brown, Ms. Larimer, Mr. Opper, and Ms. Harris attend the closed meeting, because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations.

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

DECISION:

Upon a motion by John Penn Turner, and duly seconded by Ms. Argow, the Committee made certain recommended Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and voted to recommend to the Board that Ms. Good's application be denied as her Masters in Psychology degree did not meet the Board's educational requirements.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

Mary Lou Argow, Chair

Evelyn B. Brown, Executive Director

Date

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