VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING FORMAL HEARINGS September 16, 2020

Panel - B

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Virginia Board of Nursing was called to order at 9:00

A.M. on September 16, 2020 in Board Room 3, Department of Health

Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mark D. Monson, Citizen Member, Second Vice President

Margaret J. Friedenberg, Citizen Member

James L. Hermansen-Parker, MSN, RN, PCCN-K Brandon A. Jones, MSN, RN, CEN, NEA-BC

Meenakshi Shah, BA, RN

STAFF PRESENT: Robin L. Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP, Deputy Executive Director for Advanced

Practice

Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE, Executive Director – joined at 2:30

P.M.

Darlene Graham, Senior Discipline Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT: Erin Barrett, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel

ESTABLISHMENT OF A PANEL:

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

FORMAL HEARINGS: Robin Hensley, RN Reinstatement 0001-213485

Ms. Hensley appeared.

David Kazzie, Adjudication Specialist for the Department of Health Professions, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Barrett was legal counsel for the Board. Wanda Blanks, court reporter with Farnsworth & Taylor

Reporting, recorded the proceeding.

Amber Gray, Senior Investigator, Department of Health Professions, testified

via telephone.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Shah moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting

pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 9:55 A.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Robin Hensley. Additionally, Ms. Shah moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Graham, and Ms. Barrett, 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 and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Board reconvened in open session at 10:51 A.M.

Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from

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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 carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Shah moved that the Board of Nursing approve the application of Robin Hensley for reinstatement of her license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia with terms for the period one (1) year. The basis for this decision will be set forth in a final Board Order which will be sent to Ms. Hensley at her address of record. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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

FORMAL HEARINGS:

Jimmy Louis Ellis, Jr., RN

0001-234586

Mr. Ellis appeared.

David Kazzie, Adjudication Specialist for the Department of Health Professions, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Barrett was legal counsel for the Board. Wanda Blanks, court reporter with Farnsworth & Taylor Reporting, recorded the proceeding.

Kimberly Lynch, Senior Investigator, Department of Health Professions, was present and testified.

Allyson Turner, Regional Operations Director at Davita Dialysis, and Kathy Boyle, RN, Clinical Services Specialist at Davita Dialysis, testified via telephone.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Shah moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:21 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Jimmy Louis Ellis, Jr. Additionally, Ms. Shah moved that Dr. Hills, Ms. Graham, and Ms. Barrett, 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 and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Board reconvened in open session at 1:50 P.M.

Mr. Hermansen-Parker 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

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which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Shah moved that the Board of Nursing indefinitely suspend the license of Jimmy Louis Ellis, Jr., to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia for a period of six (6) months. The basis for this decision will be set forth in a final Board Order which will be sent to Mr. Ellis at his address of record. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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

RECESS:

The Board recessed at 1:55 P.M.

Dr. Hills left the meeting.

RECONVENTION:

The Board reconvened at 2:30 P.M.

Ms. Douglas joined the meeting.

FORMAL HEARINGS:

Diana V. McCauley, CNA

0014-098310

Ms. McCauley did not appear.

Cynthia Gaines, Adjudication Specialist for the Department of Health Professions, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Barrett was legal counsel for the Board. Wanda Blanks, court reporter with Farnsworth & Taylor Reporting, recorded the proceeding.

Steven Keene, Senior Investigator, Department of Health Professions, and Briana Collier, RMA at the Harbor at Renaissance, testified via telephone.

CLOSED MEETING:

Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:54 P.M., for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Diana V. McCauley. Additionally, Mr. Hermansen-Parker moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Graham, and Ms. Barrett, 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 and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Board reconvened in open session at 3:03 P.M.

Ms. Shah 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

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> only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Mr. Jones moved that the Board of Nursing revoke the certificate of Diana V. McCauley to practice as a nurse aide in the Commonwealth of Virginia and enter the Finding of Abuse against her in the Virginia Nurse Aide Registry. The basis for this decision will be set forth in a final Board Order which will be sent to Ms. McCauley at her address of record. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 3:05 P.M.

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