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**VIRGINIA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 12, 2008
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER: A Special Conference Committee of the Board of Psychology convened on September 12, 2008, at 10:00 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, VA.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ann T. Benson, Ed.S., Chair
Robert S. Falk, Ph.D.
Nadia Kuley, Ph.D.

STAFF PRESENT: Evelyn B. Brown, Executive Director
Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director
Peter Opper, Adjudication Specialist
Beverly Hutson-Bryan, Administrative Assistant

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Russell M. Grieger, II, Ph.D.**
License No.: 0810-000636
Case No.: 116965

DISCUSSION: Dr. Grieger appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated July 23, 2008, to review allegations that he may have violated portions of the laws and regulations governing the practice of Psychology in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Dr. Grieger was represented by Michael Goodman, Esquire. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Dr. Grieger.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Dr. Falk and duly seconded by Ms. Benson, 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 to reach a decision in the matter of Dr. Greiger. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Brown, Ms. Larimer, Mr. Opper, and Ms. Hutson-Bryan, 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 decision.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Falk, and duly seconded by Ms. Benson, the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and voted to reprimand Dr. Grieger with terms.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on unless a written request to the Board for a Formal Hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Dr. Grieger within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.

_____, Chair

Evelyn B. Brown, Executive Director

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MATTER SCHEDULED: **Nilima A. Nirmul, Ph.D.**
License No.: 0810-002533
Case No.: 118970

DISCUSSION: Dr. Nirmul appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated July 23, 2008, to review allegations that she may have violated portions of the laws and regulations governing the practice of Psychology in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Dr. Nirmul was not represented by counsel. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Dr. Nirmul.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Dr. Falk and duly seconded by Ms. Benson, 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 to reach a decision in the matter of Dr. Nirmul. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Brown, Ms. Larimer, Mr. Opper, and Ms. Hutson-Bryan, 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 decision.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Falk, and duly seconded by Ms. Benson, the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and voted to offer Dr. Nirmul a consent order for the indefinite suspension of her license to practice in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

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Evelyn B. Brown, Executive Director

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