

**APPROVED**

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

**MINUTES  
SPECIAL SESSION**

- CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting of the Board of Dentistry was called to order at 1:10 p.m., on December 2, 2022, at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Center, Board Room 4, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia 23233.
- PRESIDING:** Nathaniel C. Bryant, D.D.S., President
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** William C. Bigelow, D.D.S.  
Sidra Butt, D.D.S.  
Sultan E. Chaudhry, D.D.S.  
Jamiah Dawson, D.D.S.  
Alf Hendricksen, D.D.S.  
J. Michael Martinez de Andino  
Emelia H. McLennan, R.D.H.  
Dagoberto Zapatero, D.D.S.
- MEMBERS ABSENT:** Margaret F. Lemaster, R.D.H.
- QUORUM:** With nine members present, a quorum was established.
- STAFF PRESENT:** Jamie C. Sacksteder, Executive Director  
Donna M. Lee, Discipline Case Manager  
Rebecca Smith, Adjudication Specialist
- OTHERS PRESENT:** James E. Rutkowski, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel  
Erin Weaver, Assistant Attorney General
- Eric E. Smith, D.D.S.  
Case No.: 217153** The Board received information from Ms. Weaver in order to determine if Dr. Smith's impairment from substance abuse and/or mental incompetence constitute a substantial danger to public health and safety. Ms. Weaver reviewed the case and responded to questions.
- Closed Meeting:** Dr. Dawson moved that the Board convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) and § 2.2-3712(F) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Eric E. Smith. Additionally, Dr. Dawson moved that Ms. Sacksteder, Ms. Lee, and Mr. Rutkowski 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 passed.
- Reconvene:** Dr. Dawson moved that the Board 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:**

Mr. Martinez moved that the Board summarily suspend Dr. Smith's license to practice dentistry in the Commonwealth of Virginia in that he is unable to practice dentistry safely due to impairment, resulting from substance abuse, and/or mental incompetence. The motion was seconded and passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

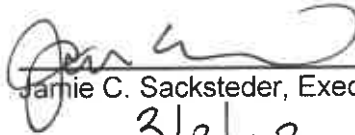
With all business concluded, the Board adjourned at 1:40 p.m.



Nathaniel C. Bryant, D.D.S., Chair

3/3/2023

Date



Jamie C. Sacksteder, Executive Director

3/3/23

Date