

**FINAL**

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE  
PERIMETER CENTER  
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300  
Richmond, Virginia 23233**

**DATE, TIME & PLACE:** On January 12, 2023, at 6:32 a.m., the Board convened by telephone conference call with a quorum of the Board present, and the Board President presiding as Chair, in order to consider whether a practitioner's ability to practice radiologic technology constituted a substantial danger to public health and safety pursuant to Va. Code §54.1-2408.1.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** L. Blanton Marchese, Chair, President  
Peter Apel, M.D.  
David Archer, M.D.  
Alvin Edwards, Ph.D.  
Jane Hickey, J.D.  
William Hutchens, M.D.  
Oliver Kim, J.D.  
Krishna Madiraju, M.D.  
Jacob Miller, D.O.  
Pradeep Pradhan, M.D.  
Karen Ransone, M.D.  
Jennifer Rathmann, D.C.  
Joel Silverman, M.D.

**BOARD COUNSEL:** M. Brent Saunders, Sr. Assistant Attorney General

**STAFF PRESENT:** William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director  
Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline  
Jennie F. Wood, Case Manager, Discipline

**PARTIES FOR THE COMMONWEALTH:** Sean Murphy, Assistant Attorney General  
Victoria Hinton, Adjudication Specialist

**MATTER CONSIDERED:** **Heather Pernell, Rad Tech, License No.: 0120-010153**

The Board received information from AAG Murphy in order to determine whether Ms. Pernell's ability to practice radiologic technology constituted a substantial danger to public health and

safety. Mr. Murphy provided details of the case to the Board for its consideration.

**DECISION:**

On a motion by Dr. Edwards, and duly seconded by Dr. Miller, the Board determined that Ms. Pernell's ability to practice constituted a substantial danger to the public health and safety and voted to summarily suspend her license simultaneous with the institution of proceedings for a formal administrative hearing pursuant to Section 54.1-2408.1 of the Code of Virginia.

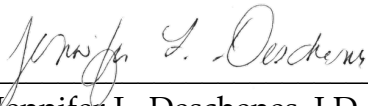
**VOTE:**

The vote was unanimous.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The Board adjourned at 6:43 a.m.

*A formal hearing is scheduled for February 24, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. for a final determination regarding this pending matter.*

  
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Jennifer L. Deschenes, J.D., M.S.  
Deputy Executive Director

1/12/2023  
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Date