

**MINUTES OF THE  
GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL  
COUNSELORS, SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND  
FAMILY THERAPISTS  
May 23, 2008**

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met on Friday, May 23, 2008, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Janet H. Lenard, CSW, Vice-Chair  
Javel Jackson, LPC  
Jan Ligon, CSW  
Patricia Harwell, MFT  
Helen W. Coale, CSW  
William G. Quarterman, LPC  
William Carlos Jackson, MFT

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Eric Groh, LPC, Chair  
Gene T. Schrader, MFT

**STAFF PRESENT**

Becky Boyd, Executive Director  
Sandy Stenbridge, Applications Specialist  
Beverly Cobb, Applications Specialist  
Dena Kirkman, Administrative Assistant  
Carol White, Board Secretary  
Tricia Downing, Assistant Attorney General  
Kathleen O'Neal, Director Administrative Procedures, PLB

**VISITORS**

Jim Strickland, WSB, TV  
Sue Fort, Executive Director NASW-GA  
Gale Macke, Executive Director LPCA

The Board convened at 9:00 a.m., May 23, 2008. Dr. Janet Lenard recognized Kathleen O'Neal, Director Administrative Procedures, PLB, and Ms. O'Neal presented to the Board the Joint Secretary Rule 295-2-.08 which passed on 4-29-2008. Ms. O'Neal explained that the revised Joint Secretary Rule does not provide for a penalty fee during a biennium period therefore the penalty fee imposed by the Board during the biennial renewal period was made null and void by the passing of this Joint Secretary Rule.

After Ms. O'Neal completed her presentation to the Board, the changes were discussed and Dr. Quarterman stated that at the recent LPC conference there was significant discussion about this rule.

## **MINUTES**

Motion Harwell, seconded Coale, and motion carried, to approve the minutes as amended of the April 11, 2008 meeting.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**At 9:30 a.m. motion W. Jackson, seconded Harwell, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2-(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications and investigative reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Lenard, J. Jackson, Coale, Ligon, and Quarterman. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.**

## **ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT**

Tricia Downing reported on the cases in the Attorney General's office.

## **OPEN SESSION**

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director Boyd discussed the Voluntary Cease & Desist Orders Effective Upon Docketing that was tabled at the Board meeting, April 11, 2008. Motion Ligon, seconded Coale and motion carried not to adopt this policy.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

There were no public comments made for Rule 135-5-.06(c)1(i) and Rule 135-5-.06(d)1(i).

## **RULES ADOPTION**

Janet Lenard, Board Vice-Chair, presented Rule 135-5-.06(c)1(i) and Rule 135-5-.06(d)1(i) for adoption at the May 23, 2008 meeting and the Board voted that the information and adoption of Rule 135-5-.06(c)1(i) and Rule 135-5-.06(d)1(i) does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objective of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-25, 43-10A-3, 43-10A-5, 43-10A-8 and 43-10A-13.

It is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§43-1-25, 43-10A-3, 43-10A-5, 43-10A-8 and 43-10A-13 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed at O.C.G.A. §50-13-4(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of this rule will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated and dominant in the fields of Professional Counseling, Social Work, and Marriage and Family Therapy.

Motion Harwell, W. Jackson seconded and motion carried, to adopt Rule 135-5-.06(c)1(i).

Motion Harwell, Coale seconded and motion carried, to adopt Rule 135-5-.06(d)1(i).

**RULES REVISION**

Janet Lenard, Board Vice-Chair, presented Rule 135-6-.03 for Posting to adopt at the July 11, 2008 meeting and the Board voted that the formulation and adoption of this rule does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-4, 43-1-7, 43-1-19, 43-10A-5, 43-10A-14, 43-10A-15, 43-10A-16 and 43-10A-17.

It is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-4, 43-1-7, 43-1-19, 43-10A-5, 43-10A-14, 43-10A-15, 43-10A-16 and 43-10A-17 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed in O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(3)(A), (B), (C), and (D). The formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed in the field of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists.

Motion Ligon, seconded Coale and motion carried, to post the changes to Rule 135-6-.03.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

The Board discussed sanctioning licensees when they give false information to the Board concerning the amount of CE’s they have obtained for their renewal. The Board recommended fining these licensees who have not obtained their CE’s when they are audited for renewal.

Harwell, MFT Board member reminded the Board that licensure process for Marriage and Family Therapists can take awhile and that sometime might skew the numbers as it relates to MFT licensees.

**THE BOARD MOVED TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING REPORTS:**

Motion Harwell, seconded Coale, and motion carried, to accept the **Marriage and Family Therapists Standards Report**.

**ASSOCIATE MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS  
CONTRACT AFFIDAVIT**

Richardson, Ingrid	Approved
Wheelus, Christopher	Approved
Woods, Tameka	Approved

**MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS  
EXAM**

Goldberg, Steven	Approved
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**MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS  
EXAM WAIVER**

Anderson, Gabrielle	Approved
Glassman, Claudia	Approved
Lindsay, Jennifer	Approved

Motion Quarterman, seconded Harwell, and motion carried, to accept the **Professional Counselors Standards Report**.

**ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS  
EXAM**

Andrews, Christopher	Approved
Daniels, Samantha	Approved
Dennis, Karen	Approved
Dorsey, Robin	Approved
Frasier, Kem	Approved
Higgins, Deborah	Approved
Josephs, Nadine	Approved
Ratliff, Felicia	Approved
Sharpley, Susana	Approved
Starr, Francesca	Approved
Taylor, Carlos	Approved

**ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS  
EXAM WAIVER**

Ashley, Vernisa	Approved
Baker, Toneisha	Approved
Beard, Noelle	Approved
Corley, Andrea	Approved
Corse, Patricia	Approved
D'Ambrisi, Mary	Approved
Eberz, Maggie	Approved
Eller, Shannon	Approved
Gerber, Michael	Approved
Hall, Teri	Approved
Humes, Damaris	Approved
Hunt, Janice	Approved
Jackson, Stacey	Approved
Knight, Rodney	Approved
Lewis, Fiona	Approved

McDonald, Janet	Approved
Nwefo, Claudette	Approved
Oswald, Richard	Approved
Pevzner, Emily	Approved
Wilburn, Myrna	Approved
Wilkins, Joseph	Approved
Winskey, Margaret	Approved

**ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS  
CONTRACT AFFIDAVIT**

Banks, Anna	Approved
Cook, Christina	Approved
Douglass, Paul	Approved
Langfitt, Allison	Approved
Lee, Cynthia	Approved
Liakakos, Joanne	Approved
Macauley, Alisha	Approved
McCord, Amy	Approved
McDuffie, Chris	Approved
McLeod, William	Approved
Pollock, Mark	Approved
Powell, Mark	Approved
Reed, Jennifer	Approved
Richardson, Ingrid	Approved
Schultz, Deanna	Approved
Turner, Kenneth	Approved
Wheelus, Christopher	Approved
Wiafe, Jacqueline	Approved

**PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS  
EXAM**

Davis, Debra	Approved
Moore, Lisa	Denied
Rhinehart, Ashley	Denied
Rogers, Sharollette	Approved
Swope, Deborah	Denied
Taylor, Twanda	Denied
Torres, Sylvia	Denied
Watkins, Chantsy	Approved

**PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS  
EXAM WAIVER**

Asumaa, Sasha	Approved
Brown, Kelly	Approved

Buchly, Elizabeth	Approved
Burch, Matthew	Approved
Carter, Alfred	Approved
Chandler, Shirley	Denied
Christopher, Kristy	Approved
Coleman, Marchell	Approved
Doughty, Fulani	Approved
Echols, Shilain	Approved
Hamlin, Hermoine	Denied
Harris, Patricia	Approved
Haynes, Symphony	Approved
Huesman, Michelle	Approved
Kumar, Varsha	Approved
Owen, Brianna	Approved
Pendleton, Erica	Approved
Rover, LaXanderia	Approved
Shultz, Robin	Approved
Shuman, Sarah	Denied
Sikes, April	Approved
Silva, Linda	Approved
Upshaw, Zella	Approved
Wise, Mary	Denied
Wolfe, Patricia	Denied

**PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS  
REINSTATEMENT**

Cloninger, Charles	Approved
Henderson, Jodi	Approved
Mooney, Valerie	Approved

**PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS  
ENDORSEMENT**

Buckles, Sonja	Approved
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**PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS  
REACTIVATION**

Clemons, Donna	Denied
Lutz, Robert	Denied

Motion Coale, seconded Harwell, and motion carried, to accept the **Social Workers Standards Report**.

**MASTERS SOCIAL WORKER  
EXAM**

Bhikot, Swati	Approved
Cochran-Harrow, Donna	Approved

Garcia-Villegas, Yenni	Approved
Glenn, Sammy	Approved
Hampshire, Camron	Approved
Harris, Trese	Approved
James, Danielle	Approved
Jeter, Anjil	Approved
Kitchen, Anthony	Approved
Kling, Adena	Approved
Mayfield, Heather	Denied
McMichael, Jennifer	Approved
McNeill, Jeanette	Approved
Michel, Fabienne	Approved
Moore, Mackenzie	Approved
Moorhead, Ashley	Approved
Narcisse, Samantha	Approved
Nash, Tamika	Approved
Nichols, Laura	Approved
Parks, Virginia	Approved
Shepherd, Brandy	Approved
Smith, Joseph	Approved

**MASTER SOCIAL WORKER  
EXAM WAIVER**

Cornelius-Fennell, Myra	Approved
Johnson-Musa, Priscilla	Approved
Pierre, Ange	Approved
Shuler, James	Approved
Toth, Kirsten	Approved

**MASTER SOCIAL WORKER  
REINSTATEMENT**

Barnes, Toni	Approved
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**CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER  
EXAM**

Campbell-Moore, Vivian	Denied
Casey, Lawrence	Denied
Grubbs-Perry, Timeka	Approved
Hall, Angelita	Denied
Hartman, Keith	Approved
Harvey, Chastidy	Denied
Higgins, Elizabeth	Approved
Himmelheber, Sarah	Approved
Jones, Julius	Approved
MacDonald, Camilla	Approved

Martin, Kai	Approved
McIver, Emily	Approved
McKinney, Jackey	Approved
Merriweather, Joan	Approved
Mosley, Jolora	Approved
Mullis, Gary	Approved
Pursley, Eris	Approved
Warren, Joseph	Approved
Williams, Alison	Approved
Williamson, Sean	Approved

**CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER  
EXAM WAIVER**

Brown, Barry	Approved
Cadavero, Mark	Approved
Clark, Leigh Anne	Approved
Klem, Amy	Approved
Thornton, Kimberly	Approved
Williams, James	Approved
Zimmerman, Lisa	Denied

**CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER  
REINSTATEMENT**

Alessandrini, Mark	Approved
Crow, David	Approved
Philip, Nisy	Approved

**CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER  
REACTIVATE**

Clarke, Dawn	Denied
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**VOTE ON INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT**

REFER TO AG'S OFFICE

Refer 3 complaints against T.A. to AG's office for revocation of licensure for failure to comply with signed and docketed Consent Order.

REFER TO ENFORCEMENT

COMP080021 Motion J. Jackson, seconded W. Jackson and motion carried, to send to Enforcement for Voluntary Cease and Desist Order.

CLOSE

COMP080001 Motion J. Jackson, seconded W. Jackson and motion carried, to accept signed Voluntary Surrender of License.

COMP080011 Motion J. Jackson, seconded Ligon and motion carried, to accept signed Public Consent Order.

**OPEN RECORDS ACT**

Motion W. Jackson, seconded Harwell and motion carried to deny request from Kimberly E. Hall, Elite Investigative Services, Inc., for information regarding the licensing of Virginia A. Woodward, license no MSW003666.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion W. Jackson, seconded Coale, and motion carried, to adjourn the meeting at 3:44 p.m.

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Janet H. Lenard, CSW, Vice Chair  
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Becky Boyd, Executive Director  
PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARDS  
DIVISION

Minutes approved June 13, 2008.

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