

The Investigative Committee of the Georgia Board of Nursing met Thursday, March 31, 2016 via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

## **THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 2016**

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Nancy Barton, RN, MSN  
Dellarie Shilling, RN, DNP, FNP-BC  
Andrea Phipps, LPN

### **STAFF PRESENT**

Jim Cleghorn, Executive Director  
Janet Freeman, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline  
Edye Tillman-Johnson, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline  
Tara Miller, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline

Barton called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 31, 2016.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Shilling moved, Phipps seconded and the Committee voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2(k); 43-1-19(h), 43-26-5(c) and 43-26-11, to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications, investigative reports and pending cases. The motion passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Thursday, March 31, 2016 Barton declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during executive session.

### **INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE CASES**

(LPNI = Licensed Practical Nurse Investigative Case Number) (RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Phipps moved to present the following recommendations to the Board.

**RNI160667** – Close the case.

**RNI160122** – Refer to the Attorney General’s office for a hearing or a public consent order to include five (5) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy) and a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct. Must submit documentation of completion of thirty (30) day alcohol rehabilitation within ninety (90) days of docket date of order.

**RNI120411** – Approve the request for early termination.

**RNI150892** – Refer to the Attorney General’s office for hearing or a public consent order to include five (5) years monitoring, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy) and substance abuse stipulations. Random quarterly reports thereafter.

**LPNI160209** – Refer to the Attorney General’s office for a hearing or a private consent order to include five (5) years monitoring, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy, medication management) and substance abuse stipulations. Upon receipt of documentation from treating physician that licensee has been weaned off benzodiazepines, licensee may discontinue medication management reports.

**RNI160822** – Send a letter to the respondent requesting an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

**RNI160702** - Refer to Legal Services for an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

**RNI151219** - Refer to Legal Services to hand serve an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. If unable to serve, refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender.

**LPNI160272** – Deny the application. May reapply upon completion of criminal probation.

**RNI151133** – Refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender. May petition for lifting with 12 months documented continuous sobriety and an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator within 30 days. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

**LPNI150748** – Refer to Legal Services to hand serve an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

**RNI160809** – Close the case.

**LPNI160271** – Send a letter to applicant requesting an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

**RNI150274** – Close the case with a Letter of Concern (Alcohol).

**LPNI160185** – Cease and Desist.

**RNI160150** – Terminate the consent order.

**RNI160168** – Close the case.

**RNI160193** – Close the case.

**RNI150956** – Close the case.

**LPNI160039** – Close the case.

**LPNI160040** – Close the case.

**LPNI160269** – Close the case.

**LPNI160258** – Close the case.

**LPNI160239** – Close the case.

**RNI160146** – Close the case.

**RNI120721** – Approve the request for early termination.

**RNI160031** – Refer to the Attorney General's office for hearing or a public consent order to include five (5) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy, medication management) and substance abuse stipulations. Random monthly drug screens for six (6) months and quarterly thereafter.

**LPNI150555** – Send a mitigating letter requesting courses in Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses, Medication Error: Detection and Prevention, and Documentation: A Critical Aspect of Client Care.

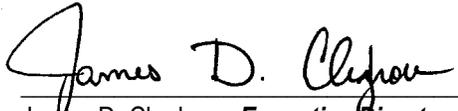
**RNI150941** – Refer to Investigations for additional documentation.

**RNI160314** – Refer to Legal Services for an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

**RNI160616** – Close the case.

Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Thursday, March 31, 2016 at 4:51 p.m.

  
James D. Cleghorn, *Executive Director*