

The Investigative Committee of the Georgia Board of Nursing met Thursday, July 7, 2016 via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

THURSDAY, JULY 7, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Nancy Barton, RN, MSN
Dellarie Shilling, RN, DNP, FNP-BC
Tina Fletcher, 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
Kirsten Daughdril, JD, Assistant Attorney General
Andrew Turnage, Executive Director, Trades 2

Barton called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 7, 2016.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Fletcher moved, Barton 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, July 7, 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)

Shilling moved to present the following recommendations to the Board.

RNI150106 – Table until receipt of treatment records.

LPNI160251 – Refer to the Attorney General’s office for a private consent order to include two (2) years monitoring, quarterly reports (personal, employer) a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct and courses in Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses and Ethics of Nursing Practice.

RNI160699 – Refer to Legal Services for an expedited outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

RNI161193 – Issue the license with a Letter of Concern (Action in Another Jurisdiction).

RNI161195 – 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.

RNI161198 – Issue the license.

RNI161214 – Issue the license.

RNI150941 - Refer to the Attorney General’s office for a private consent order a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct.

LPNI160220 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for a private reprimand to include two (2) years monitoring, quarterly reports (personal, employer) a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct and courses in Professional Boundaries in Nursing, Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses, Ethical Decision Making and Documentation: A Critical Aspect of Client Care.

RNI161122 – Send a mitigating letter requesting courses in Substance Use Disorder and Critical Thinking.

RNI160930 – 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.

RNI160911 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for a public consent order to include five (5) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare), substance abuse stipulations, a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct and courses in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing.

RNI161200 – Issue the license.

LPNI160170 – Issue the license with a Letter of Concern (Unprofessional Conduct).

RNI160205 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for a public consent order to include two (2) years probation, one (1) year narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (personal, employer), a fine of \$500 for (Unprofessional Conduct) and courses in Ethics of Nursing Practice, Narcotic Drugs: Handling and Documentation, Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills and review the Nurse Practice Act.

RNI161046 – Issue the license with a Letter of Concern (Uploading Continuing Education Documents).

RNI161017 – 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.

RNI160670 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender. May reapply after completion of treatment program and completion of an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator within thirty days of petition. Results of the mental physical examination are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

RNI150582 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender. May petition for lifting with twelve (12) months of documented sobriety and an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator within thirty days of petition. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

RNI160515 - Refer to the Attorney General's office for an indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender. May petition for lifting with an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator within thirty days of petition. Barton abstained.

RNI150871 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for a public consent order to include five (5) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy), Substance Abuse Stipulations and a course in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing.

RNI160302 – License with a Letter of Concern (Criminal).

LPNI150337 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for a public consent order to include five (5) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy), Substance Abuse Stipulations, a fine of \$500 (Unprofessional Conduct) and a course in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing.

RNI161207 – License with a Letter of Concern (Alcohol/Criminal Probation).

RNI161211 – License with a Letter of Concern (Criminal).

RNI160115 – Refer to Investigations.

RNI151125 – Refer to the Attorney General's office for a private reprimand to include a fine of \$500 (Unprofessional Conduct) and courses in Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills, Documentation: A Critical Aspect of Client Care and Rapid Response Teams Can Rescue Patients from Inhospital Cardiac Arrest.

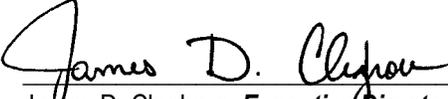
RNI150727 – Refer to the Attorney General’s office for a private consent order to include five (5) years monitoring, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy), Substance Abuse Stipulations and a course in Understanding Substance Abuse Use Disorder in Nursing.

RNI160420 – Refer to the Attorney General’s office for a private consent order to include five (5) years monitoring, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare), Substance Abuse Stipulations, a fine of \$500 for Failure to Disclose and a course in Understanding Substance Abuse Use Disorder in Nursing. Barton abstained.

RNI130568 – Refer to the Attorney General’s office for an indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender. May petition for lifting after twelve (12) months of documented sobriety and a completed outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator within thirty days of petition. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant

Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Thursday, July 7, 2016 at 5:08 p.m.


James D. Cleghorn, **Executive Director**