

The Investigative Committee of the Georgia Board of Nursing met Thursday, October 27, 2016 via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Amy Hooper, LPN, Vice President
Linda Floyd, RN
Merry Fort, RN

MEMBERS ABSENT

Kelli Lockwood, RN, MSN, Immediate Past Vice President

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

Hooper called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 27, 2016.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Floyd moved, Fort 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, October 27, 2016 Hooper 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)

Fort moved to present the following recommendations to the Board.

RNI160657 – Close the case.

RNI170142 – Close the case.

LPNI160219 – Close the case.

LPNI170085 – Send a mitigating letter requesting courses in Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses, Disciplinary Actions-What Every Nurse Should Know; Review Nurse Practice Act.

RNI160213 – Close the case.

RNI160708 – 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.

LPNI170112 – License by endorsement.

RNI170257 – License by endorsement.

RNI160270 – 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.

RNI170044 – 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.

RNI160897 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a public consent order to include three (3) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (self, employer, personal, medication management), substance abuse stipulations, a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct, courses in Narcotic Drugs: Handling and Documentation, Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses and quarterly urine drug screens through Affinity.

RNI160374 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for public consent order to include five (5) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy), substance abuse stipulations, PEth requirements after two (2) years documented sobriety, a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct and a course in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing

LPNI150339 – Close the case.

LPNI150568 – Close the case with a Letter of Concern (Unprofessional Conduct).

RNI160161 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a private consent order to include a fine of \$500 for Failure to Disclose.

RNI170241 – 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.

RNI161164 – Close the case.

LPNI160052 – Close the case.

RNI161023 – Deny the license. May reapply after successful completion of Mississippi BON order.

RNI160512 - Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a private consent order to include five (5) years monitoring, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy), substance abuse stipulations, and a course in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing.

RNI160699 – Reject mental physical examination. Must be completed by a Board approved provider as instructed in the order.

LPNI170109 – License by examination with a Letter of Concern (Criminal/Alcohol).

LPNI150560 – 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) a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct and courses in Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses; Narcotic Drugs: Handling and Documentation, and Ethics of Nursing Practice.

RNI130405 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for an indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender. May petition to lift with submission within 30 days request of 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.

LPNI160103 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a public consent order to include five (5) years probation, four (4) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy), substance abuse stipulations, a course in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing and a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct.

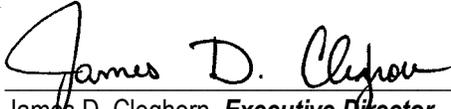
RNI170207 – Refer to Investigations.

RNI120147 – Approve the request to lift probation.

RNI140263 – Refer to Legal Services to hand serve 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.

Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Thursday, October 27, 2016 at 4:35 p.m.



James D. Cleghorn, *Executive Director*