

**GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS**
Conference Call Board Meeting Minutes – May 8, 2020 8:30 AM

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met via teleconference on Friday, May 8, 2020 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Endsley Real, CSW, Chair
Kathryn Klock-Powell, MFT, Vice-Chair
Lorien Jordan, MFT
Steve Livingston, MFT
Chip Morris, CSW
Angie Eells, CSW
Bonnie Barker, LPC
Lisa Morris, LPC

MEMBERS ABSENT/VACANT SEATS:

Tommy Black, LPC
(Consumer Member-VACANT)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist
Amanda Allen, Licensing Supervisor

ATTORNEY GENERALS OFFICE:

Betsy Cohen, Esq., AAG

VISITORS PRESENT: (Open Session)

Bowden Templeton, GAMFT
Sheneki Brown, Applicant
Allison Trammell
Jan Yates, GA Chapter, NASW
Barbara Lewison, GSCSW
Cory Weathers, Applicant
Rosa Camarillo, Applicant

Endsley Real, Chair, established that a quorum was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Agenda: Approve as presented

Meeting Minutes:

- April 3, 2020

Recommendation:

Approve as Presented

Mr. Livingston motioned, Mr. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to approve the April 3, 2020 Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Correspondence:

- S. Blanton – Psychopathology Requirement – *A complete license application must be submitted along with course syllabus for the Board to review.*
- N. Gause – Clayton State University – *Additional information/clarification must be submitted for Board review*
- E. Woods – University of Kentucky – *Refer to Board Rules; institution must be accredited*
- N. Bly – CE Requirements for Reinstatement - *Refer to Emergency Board rule 135-9-0.3-.01*
- J. Abbott – UGA School of Social Work – *The courses may still be offered online; however, it is a matter of how many of the hours could be counted towards the next 2020-2022 renewal cycle*
- J. Caldwell – Telemental Health CE hours – *Refer to Board rule 135-9-.01 and 135-11-.01*
- M. Patel – Informed Consent – Rule 135-11 – *Client may sign it and send it back via e-mail, fax or standard mailing services*

- GA LPCA – RE Emergency Rule Enacted – *Board responded with a letter below to GA LPCA in reference to the correspondence received with concerns the newly adopted Emergency Board Rule 135-9-0.3-.01 Emergency Rule: COVID-19 - In Person Continuing Education Requirements for Renewal 09/30/2020. The letter provides clarification of the Boards intent and reasoning for the creation of the rule.*

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to approve for Board Staff to respond as directed to correspondences listed above. None opposed, motion carried.

Petition for Rule Waiver/Variance:

- H. Schwalen – Rule 135-3-.04
- T. Samuels – Rule 135-3-.01
- D. Thomas – Rule 135-3-.01
- L. Stowe – Rule 135-3-.01
- E. Roberson – Rule 135-3-.01
- K. Gibson – Rule 135-3-.01
- D. Lee – Rule 135-3-.01
- T. Alfrey – Rule 135-3-.01
- C. Johnson – Rule 135-3-.01
- D. Coulibaly – Rule 135-3-.01
- L. Davis – Rule 135-3-.01
- S. Brown – Rule 135-3-.01
- M. Anzalone – Rule 135-3-.01
- A. Carver – Rule 135-3-.01
- L. Julius – Rule 135-3-.01
- M. Curry – Rule 135-9-.01
- P. Thomas – Rule 135-3-.01
- N. Gailes – Rule 135-3-.01

Recommendation:

- Deny; No Standing
- Grant; 6-month extension
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Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Barker seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition request for H. Schwalen as it is not clear that the Petitioner has standing, due to not having a current application on file. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for T. Samuels and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for D. Thomas and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Mr. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for L. Stowe and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for E. Roberson and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for K. Gibson and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for D. Lee and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition request for T. Alfrey as it is not clear that the Petitioner has standing, due to not having a current application on file. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for C. Johnson and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for D. Coulibaly and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for L. Davis and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Mr. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for S. Brown and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as a presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for M. Anzalone as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for A. Carver and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for L. Julius and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Barker motioned, Ms. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for M. Curray as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for P. Thomas and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for N. Gales and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Application Ratify List: Issued Date: 4/2/2020 - 5/5/2020

License No	Licensee
AMFT000630	Michele Rene' Clark
AMFT000631	Akila Johnson
AMFT000632	Kelly Grant Stephens
AMFT000633	Jennifer Paige Forshay-Rodefer
APC007401	Sarah Kathleen Batzel
APC007402	Rachel Elizabeth Bevels
APC007403	Jennifer Marie Cheeks

APC007404	Treva Trinise Clemmons
APC007405	Stephanie Marie Fitzgerald
APC007406	Matthew Roy Gladney
APC007407	Brandi Nicole Glenn
APC007408	Kellie Brooke Lassig
APC007409	Kaylan Imari Maloney
APC007410	Lauren Taylor McClendon
APC007411	Alessandra A Oliveira

APC007412	Kadison Lou Owens
APC007413	Katherine Elizabeth Regalado
APC007414	Courtney Causey Salter
APC007415	Marguerite Reid Spiotta
APC007416	Angie Marie Williams
APC007417	Caroline Elizabeth Woods
APC007418	Salita M. Wynn
APC007419	Ashley Nicole Skinner
APC007420	Holli LeeAnna Abernathy
APC007421	Christina Elizabeth Bombelyn
APC007422	Laurie Chapman Bryant
APC007423	Ntasha Zoraya Hodge
APC007424	Tawonda Maria Hunter
APC007425	Jovanna Nicole Javis
APC007426	Natasha Rain Kyle-Vitonis
APC007427	Josee' Dominique Muldrew
APC007428	Ryan Garrett O'Kelly
APC007429	Erica Deshun Reeves
APC007430	Matthew Craig Riegel
APC007431	Ashleigh Bianca Tricksey
APC007432	Brenda Kaylene Twilley
APC007433	Roseline Ngonde Ngoeh
APC007434	Tori Massey Young
APC007435	Erica Lasharne DuBose
APC007436	Richard Lawrence Duhe
APC007437	Joshua Deion Finney
APC007438	Cara Annalise Marsh
APC007439	Patrick Lydell Smith
APC007440	Marie Nicole Casey
CSW007124	Taj Yolanda Artis
CSW007125	Cheryl Anne Bravo
CSW007126	Carolyn G. Carapezzi
CSW007127	Sarah E. Gaffey
CSW007128	Gennifer Michelle Goodloe
CSW007129	Erin Rachelle Laffrey
CSW007130	Mary Plemons Little
CSW007131	Jodie Michele Loiacono
CSW007132	Anim Oldney Aweh
CSW007133	Christina Patricia Ann Neri
CSW007134	Marteia Charney Wells
CSW007135	Cindy Green Carman
CSW007136	Tiffany Shanell Hall
CSW007137	Frances Eugenia Thompson
CSW007138	Julia Packer Ferrell
CSW007139	Cherise Jenae McLendon
LPC011508	Sonja Sharyn Cousar
LPC011509	Cindy Uchenna Dike
LPC011510	Teresa Harrison
LPC011511	Enola Daphne Joefield
LPC011512	Melanie Sharon Lindblade
LPC011513	Erin Colleen Maurer
LPC011514	Michael Alvin Reed

LPC011515	Veronica Nicole Stewart
LPC011516	Lauren Elizabeth Taylor
LPC011517	Marie Antoinette Turner
LPC011518	Delicia Latoya Wise
LPC011519	Giovanna Rei Akins
LPC011520	Victoria Megan Arnold
LPC011521	Rhonda Denise Baker Crouch
LPC011522	Marcia Richelle Blane
LPC011523	Suzette Delicia Blount
LPC011524	Angela Yvonne Branch-James
LPC011525	Kacy Leigh Brubaker
LPC011526	Kenisha Michelle Crapp
LPC011527	Kristi Gail Cronan
LPC011528	Rachel Elise Doerr
LPC011529	Susan Marie Duffell
LPC011530	Cherry DeVore Estelhomme
LPC011531	Andrea LaShawn Jackson
LPC011532	Kaitlyn Hannah Landers
LPC011533	Jonathan Hunter Palmer
LPC011534	Juana June Lyles
LPC011535	Daniel Steven McCance
LPC011536	Victoria Yvette Miller
LPC011537	Nancy Ann Morales
LPC011538	LaWanda Eggleston Owens
LPC011539	Lindsey Anne Richards
LPC011540	Brenda Michelle Robinson
LPC011541	Ellen Thomas
LPC011542	Brittany Monique Williams
LPC011543	Cristina Lynn Austin
LPC011544	Kristen Noel Dickens
LPC011545	Vanessa Renee Lumpkin
LPC011546	Tanya Anderson Sloan
LPC011547	Tracie Nicole Thibodeaux
LPC011548	Jeanie Marie Winstrom
LPC011549	EliaMaria Lintz
LPC011550	London Ericyn Parks
LPC011551	Ashley Nicole Simpson
MFT001762	Kendall Hope Louden
MFT001763	Kelley Dyanne Sproles Aliffi
MFT001764	Ariadne Bettyna Crane
MFT001765	Martha L Morgan
MFT001766	Michelle Stephanie Massi
MSW009356	James Edward Bishop, Jr.
MSW009357	Santo Presti Cricchio
MSW009358	Sherjuana A. Davis
MSW009359	Anna Megan Ellis
MSW009360	Roslyn Johnson
MSW009361	Trina Lorraine Johnson
MSW009362	Samreen Vellani
MSW009363	Andrea Nicole Wynkoop
MSW009364	Haley Lynn Edenfield
MSW009365	Brianna Shanaye Mikel
MSW009366	Lynn Jones Council

Mr. Morris motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Application Ratify List of licenses issued between Board meetings as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Proposed Language to Request an Executive Order from the Governor:

After discussion, Board members agreed to table any decision to draft a request to the Governor's Office requesting an Executive Order to allow for professionals licensed in other states to temporarily practice via TeleHealth (electronic) means with their clients who have had to temporarily relocate to Georgia due to COVID-19. The Board will re-visit the issue during the June 5, 2020 scheduled Board meeting.

Associations – Board Update:

- Association updates were provided by Jan Yates, GA Chapter, NASW, Bowden Templeton, GAMFT and Barbara Lewison, GSCSW

Mr. Morris motioned, Ms. Eells seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2-(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to receive and review information pertaining to applications, receive reports from the Assistant Attorney General, the Professional Practices (Complaints), the Professional Standards (Applications) Committees and review prior meeting executive session meeting minutes. Voting in favor of the motion were Board members present: Real, Klock-Powell, Barker, Eells, Mr. Morris, Ms. Morris, Jordan and Livingston.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, May 8, 2020, Ms. Real, declared the meeting into “open” session pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

Applications:

The separate Professional Standards Committees reviewed and made recommendations on all applications presented by the administrative staff.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Jordan seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the committees made for the Associate and Professional Counselor applications, the Clinical and Master Social Worker applications and the Associate and Marriage and Family Therapy applications as presented. In addition, the Board voted that licenses be issued upon receipt of an official exam score report of passage of the exam if all other requirements for licensure have been met. None opposed, motion carried.

Applicant Interview Conducted 05/01/2020:

- K.G.

Recommendation:

Matter Resolved

Professional Practices Committee/Complaints:

❖ **Recommend Closure:**

COMP190114, COMP190123, COMP190179, COMP200024, COMP200033, COMP200047, COMP200057, COMP200065, COMP200081 and COMP200103

❖ **Recommend Investigative Interview:**

COMP180034, COMP180118 and COMP200044

❖ **Refer to AG's Office:**

COMP190057

❖ **Refer to Investigations:**

COMP200027, COMP200040, COMP200061, COMP200076, COMP200078, COMP200082, COMP200109, COMP200122, COMP200123, COMP2000128, COMP200129

❖ **Pending Receipt of Additional Information:**

COMP180088, COMP190035, COMP190171, COMP200002, COMP200008, COMP200016, COMP200048, COMP200051, COMP200053, COMP200062, COMP200083, COMP200112, COMP200114, COMP200119, COMP200120, COMP200125, COMP200126 and COMP200127

Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Jordan seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Professional Practices Committee report, accept the recommendations as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Assistant Attorney General's Report:

Ms. Betsy Cohen, Assistant Attorney General, provided a status report, which included information on any cases referred for action, requests for advice and /or requests for authority for proposed rules.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Jordan seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Assistant Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ex. Session Misc. Discussion Items:

- | <u>Ex. Session Misc. Discussion Items:</u> | <u>Recommendation:</u> |
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| • T.A. | Must submit an application |
| • D.M. – Termination Request | Grant Request |
| • Y.F. – Correspondence | Must adhere to Board rules regarding group supervision |
| • K. V-C. M. – Special Accommodation | Grant Request |
| • M.G. | Set up as a complaint |

Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to approve the request of D.M. and terminate monitoring as required in the Board order. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Eells motioned, Ms. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to respond as directed to Y.F. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Jordan motioned, Ms. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to approve the special accommodation request of K. V-C. M. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Klock-Powell motioned, Ms. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to approve the recommendations as presented for T.A. and M.G. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Executive Session Minutes:

- | <u>Executive Session Minutes:</u> | <u>Recommendation:</u> |
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| • April 3, 2020 | Approve as Presented |

Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the April 3, 2020 executive session Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

With no additional Board business requiring discussion, the Board meeting was adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

Applicant Interviews Conducted 05/08/2020:

The following applicant interviews were conducted by the committees following the adjournment of today's meeting. All recommendations and Board votes will be presented and obtained by the Board during the June 5th Board meeting.

- D.L. 2:00 p.m.
- G.A. 2:45 p.m.
- P.C. 3:30 p.m.
- S.S. 4:15 p.m.

- C.J. 4:45 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC-1

ENDSLEY REAL

Chair

BRIG ZIMMERMAN

Executive Director

Minutes approved on: **June 5, 2020**