# GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS, SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

Conference Call/ZOOM Board Meeting Minutes – December 4, 2020 10:00 AM

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met via teleconference/ZOOM on Friday, December 4, 2020. The Board's Executive Director hosted the meeting from the Professional Licensing Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

# **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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

# **MEMBERS ABSENT/VACANT SEATS:**

Tommy Black, LPC (Consumer Member-VACANT)

# **ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:**

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

# **ATTORNEY GENERALS OFFICE:**

Mary Brannen, Esq., AAG Elizabeth Simpson, AAG

# **VISITORS PRESENT: (Open Session)**

Gale Macke, LPCA, Executive Director
Jan Yates, NASW
Jordan, Visitot
Kcanada, Visitor
Dr. J., Visitor
Chakesha Spencer, Visitor
Kasandra Dodd, Visitor
Jordan, Visitor
Tonya Voss, Visitor
S. Davis, Visitor
Curnesia Bogans, Visitor
Jennifer Vann, Visitor

Endsley Real, Chair, established that a quorum was present and called the Board meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

**Agenda:** Approve as presented

<u>Meeting Minutes:</u> The Open Session Board Meeting minutes were tabled for review and approval until the January 8, 2021 Board meeting.

- November 6, 2020 Board Meeting
- November 10, 2020 SW PSC Rules Cmte
- November 13, 2020 LPC-PSC Rules Cmte

#### **Correspondence:**

• C. Shannon – RE Exam Requirements – The exam requirements for social workers are based on the requirements cited in Georgia law, O.C.G.A. § 43-10A-12. The Board does not have the authority to waive or vary the law.

Ms. Morris motioned, Ms. Klock-Powell 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:**

• R. Mili – Rule 135-3-.01

• W. Speights – Rule 135-3-.01

• M. Cote-Bilbey – Rule 135-3-.01

• M. Stewart – Rule 135-9-.01

• A. Bellinger – Rule 135-3-.01

• C. Simmons – Rule 135-3-.01

• J. Henry – Rule 135-3-.01

• A. Tumbling – Rule 135-3-.01

# **Recommendation:**

Grant; 6 months

Grant: 6 months

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Grant

Deny; no proven hardship

Grant; 6 months

Grant: 6 months

Grant; 6 months

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

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

Ms. Jordan motioned, Ms. Barker seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition request for M. Cote-Bilbrey and allow a onetime 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

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

Mr. Morris motioned, Mr. Livingston seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition request for A. Bellinger for failure to provide a substantial hardship. None opposed, motion carried.

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

**Application Ratify List:** Issued Date: 11/5/2020 - 12/1/2020

license No	Licensee		
AMFT000656	Tiesha Shanique Howard		
AMFT000657	Rachel Anne Huffman		
AMFT000658	Savanah J Kite		
AMFT000659	Ashley Takita Lockhart-Thomas		
AMFT000660	Meshai Azriel Olivares		
AMFT000661	Shirley Shany Ben Zvi		
AMFT000662	Michael Anye Tuma		
APC007663	Sarah Catherine Anklam		
APC007664	Stephen Wesley Barber		
APC007665	Janice Machiz Barrocas		
APC007666	Amy Roberta Bologna		

APC007667	Brittany Lee Briscoe		
APC007668	Dazzmen N Davis		
APC007669	Loren Elizabeth Edwards		
APC007670	Rasheid Miguel Edwards		
APC007671	Velvet Caroline Ferrari		
APC007672	Haylie Ann Yakrus		
APC007673	Janae French		
APC007674	Jadeshala Chauntina Humphries		
APC007675	Heather Louise Jackson		
APC007676	Logan Andrew Kafer		
APC007677	Talina Rodriguez Landestoy		
APC007678	Taitanna Seante-Devette Moore		

APC007679	Hope Joy Nicely	
APC007680	Katie Isabelle Portillo	
APC007681	Ariana Setiva Reeves	
APC007682	Shella Nicole Scott	
APC007683	Shannon Elaine Shelton	
APC007684	Sydnei Iman Turner	
APC007685	Taylor Rae Warren	
APC007686	Kevin Edward Thompson	
APC007687	Avis Francina China	
APC007688	Erma Yvette Croom	
APC007689	Tewan Lanese Lawrence	
APC007690	Laura Christina Aiken	
APC007691	Skyler Dawn Clark	
APC007692	Andrew Wayne Edwards	
APC007693	Christina Elizabeth Fischer	
APC007694	Aneela Hasan	
APC007695	Thomas Dick Hennigan	
APC007696	Lutas LaBarba	
APC007697	Bailey Elizabeth Little	
APC007698	Jamia Tiffany Morrow	
APC007699	Seryna Veronica Muhammad-Wilkinson	
APC007700	Azizza Latrice Pitts	
APC007701	Keila Lashon Stephens	
CSW007376	Tihera Shanell Clements	
CSW007377	David Andre Cuna	
CSW007378	Ebony Renee' Davis	
CSW007379	Taylor Indago O'Chello Hopkins	
CSW007380	Amy Jo Loser	
CSW007381	Miriam Adzoa Matthews	
CSW007382	Donald McCasland	
CSW007383	Michael Dewayne Porterfield	
CSW007384	Stephanie Ann Prakash	
CSW007385	Sarah Anne Rhomberg	
CSW007386	Angela Marie Ricketts-Murray	
CSW007387	Pamela Denise Shakir	
CSW007388	Brandi Tennille Shelton	
CSW007389	Michelle Dawn Terry	
CSW007390	Dawn Meredith Richa	
CSW007391	Ebony Earlene Dowdell Peterson	
CSW007392	Sarah B Head	
CSW007393	Jonathan William Goodan	
CSW007394	Emily Frances Rider	
CSW007395	Leonard Kashope Fraser	
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CSW007396	Rebecca Ann Facundo		
CSW007397	Brandiss Jenae Marks		
CSW007398	Keldrin Maresa Ford		
CSW007399	Kristen Duggan Brantley		
CSW007400	Latrice Lawanda Stowe		
CSW007401	Jeffery Todd Stringer		
CSW007402	Laura Beall McIntosh		
CSW007403	Lyann Kim Prieto		
CSW007404	Jamika Michelle Johnson-Tabb		
CSW007405	Francesca Christine Jenkins		
CSW007406	Katie M Walker		
CSW007407	Michelle Lynn Oxley		
CSW007408	Randle Benjamin Parker		
CSW007409	Lee Ann Hutto		
CSW007410	Tyrone Small		
CSW007411	Raven Nikiah Jamison		
LPC011859	Leslie McClain Cobb		
LPC011860	Ashley Davis		
LPC011861	Denise Cleoshi Gaymon		
LPC011862	William Cuneyt Jarvis		
LPC011863	Anita Martin		
LPC011864	Shauntae Monique Moore		
LPC011865	Kashanda Smith Ray		
LPC011866	Ashley Nichole Redondo		
LPC011867	Sonja Jaclyn Spiller		
LPC011868	Carron Danielle Alexander		
LPC011869	Jasmaine Efe Ataga		
LPC011870	Joseph William Barber		
LPC011871	Katie Yancey Beck		
LPC011872	Allison Bienenfeld		
LPC011873	Geri Makeita Cassady		
LPC011874	Sarah Katherine Clay		
LPC011875	Sharon Elizabeth Dancer		
LPC011876	Mary Kathryn Anderson Dennis		
LPC011877	Kimberly Shawn Dobson		
LPC011878	Emma Wiltshire Donaldson		
LPC011879	Nicolanne Smith Eustace		
LPC011880	Amber Jean Flannery		
LPC011881	Kimlyn Vondell Frett		
LPC011882	Shakia Cooks Fuller		
LPC011883	Jai-Sheena Garnett		
LPC011884	Masa Grgan		
LPC011885	Michelle Renee Harrell		

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LPC011886	Shari Ann Ikenberg		
LPC011887	Rochelle Cass Jones		
LPC011888	Pamela Adrienne Jules		
LPC011889	Tara Holbrook Lowry		
LPC011890	Brittany O'Kelley Mauzy		
LPC011891	James Brent McCann		
LPC011892	Madelon Alford Morgan		
LPC011893	Kaitlyn Carissa Morris		
LPC011894	Laurie Adams Newcomb		
LPC011895	Vanessa Erin Outlaw		
LPC011896	Caryn Patel		
LPC011897	Eutoka Karen Quillings-Bland		
LPC011898	Mariana Brady Shively		
LPC011899	Patrick Lydell Smith		
LPC011900	Cristiana Dianne Valenti		
LPC011901	Lisa Marie Vincent		
LPC011902	Patricia Jackson Whalen		
LPC011903	Gennifer Leigh Van Pelt		
LPC011904	Kelsey Renee Bates		
LPC011905	La'Sherraneta Quatice Williamson		
LPC011906	Carmen Janell Moore		
LPC011907	Tanya Whipple Chatman		
LPC011908	Kateece Pleshette Freeman		
MFT001817	Camille Tamar Gates		
MFT001818	Niti Rajesh Patel		
MFT001819	Brenda Marie Pope		
MFT001820	Alexis Pudlo		
MFT001821	Mason Richard Pacek		
MFT001822	Esmeralda Diaz		
MFT001823	Candace S. Williams		
MFT001824	Carl David Lee		
MSW009707	Alexandra Rose Bohner		
MSW009708	Erin Kiley French		
MSW009709	Andrea Catherine Fuchs		
MSW009710	Sharell Narae Nava		
MSW009711	Zachard Kemond Roberson		

MSW009712	Emily Christine Rowe		
MSW009713	Demetria Shante Taylor		
MSW009714	Deneisha Katrell Thompson		
MSW009715	Courtney Amanda Walker		
MSW009716	Abigail Faye Kolb		
MSW009717	Tara Danise Bell		
MSW009718	Rachel Marie Duggar		
MSW009719	ShaRhonda Melanese Johnson		
MSW009720	Kathryn Ann Hendley		
MSW009721	Tammy Denise Stanton		
MSW009722	Haley Nixon McCaffrey		
MSW009723	Adrienne Nicole Journey		
MSW009724	Kylie Morgan Shirley		
MSW009725	Clarissa Harris		
MSW009726	Teresa Kirkwood		
MSW009727	Virginia Joann Reeves		
MSW009728	Leah Maren-Marie Phillips		
MSW009729	Marquita Latavous Garnes		
MSW009730	Chandler Paige Dunham		
MSW009731	Michael Darrell Watson		
MSW009732	Laura Diana Whyte		
MSW009733	Chimere Darlene Williams		
MSW009734	Keyera Ginaya Thomas		
MSW009735	Rebecca Elizabeth Loskoski		
MSW009736	LaToia Jana Carter		
MSW009737	DeShay Rice-Clansy		
MSW009738	Charlisa Nicole Watson		
MSW009739	Aaronecia Nicole Graham		
MSW009740	Mariah Ashlee Sharp		
MSW009741	Cynthia Jane Holloway		
MSW009742	Roma Nichol Whitaker		
MSW009743	Joy Bauerband Turner		
MSW009744	Crystal LaTangula Coney		
MSW009745	Haley Brooke Stacey		
MSW009746	Brittany Jane Norris		
MSW009747	Jaemee Denae Norman		
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Mr. Livingston 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.

<u>Board Rules Discussion</u>: The Board requested a general rules committee meeting be set up and will discuss available dates during the January 8, 2021 scheduled meeting and will determine which rules will be discussed by this committee.

#### **Associations – Board Update:**

Association updates were provided by Gale Macke, CEO of LPCA and Jan Yates, NASW

Ms. Eells motioned, Ms. Jordan 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, Jordan, Eells, Barker, Ms. Morris, Mr. Morris and Livingston.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, December 4, 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.

# **Applicant Interviews Conducted:**

The following applicant interviews were conducted by the committees prior to the start of today's Board meeting beginning.

•	M.P.	(8:30 a.m.)	MSW	Approve for licensure
•	V.L.	(8:30 a.m.)	LPC	Tabled; pending receipt of additional information
•	O.G.	(9:00 a.m.)	APC	Withdraw expired application; must re-apply
•	M.R.	(9:30 a.m.)	APC	Approve for licensure

Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to approve the recommendations of the application of T.J. and S.I. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

# **Applications:**

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

Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Eells 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.

# **Professional Practices Committee/Complaints:**

- ❖ Investigative Interviews Conducted 12/03/2020: COMP200080
- **Recommend Closure:**

COMP200084, COMP200146, COMP210024, COMP210063 and COMP210068

**Recommend Referral to Investigations:** 

COMP210058 and COMP210062

**Recommend Referral to AG's Office:** 

COMP200129

# **Recommend Investigative Interview:**

COMP180118, COMP190107, COMP190149, COMP200008, COMP200077, COMP210037

#### **Recommend Pending Receipt of Additional Information:**

COMP190024, COMP200126, COMP200131, COMP200132, COMP200136, COMP200144, COMP200149, COMP210034, COMP210064, COMP210066, COMP210069, COMP210070, COMP210071, COMP210072, COMP210073, COMP210074, COMP210075, COMP210076, COMP210077, COMP210078, COMP210078 and COMP210079

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

# ADA Special Condition Request – ASWB: Recommendation:

• H.D. Approve

Ms. Morris motioned, Ms. Barker seconded, and the Board voted to approve the ASWB ADA accommodations for H.D. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

# PLB Legal Section ADA Accommodations Granted: K.T. S.G. S.H. Recommendation: Ratify Approval Ratify Approval Ratify Approval

Ms. Jordan motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the ADA accommodations granted by the PLB Legal Section between meetings as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

# **Exec. Session Misc. Discussion Items:** Recommendation:

M.W. – Release of Application Materials Approve
 T.G. – Release from Probationary Status Approve

• CPCS Expirations – GA LPCA Board Information Only

Mr. Livingston motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to approve the release of the appropriate application materials of M.W. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Jordan motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to approve the request for release of probationary status from T.G. as presented None opposed, motion carried.

# Renewal Issues: Recommendation:

A.K. Approve RenewalS.S. Approve Renewal

Ms. Eells motioned, Ms. Jordan seconded, and the Board voted to approve the licensure renewals of A.K and S.S. as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

# **Assistant Attorney General's Report:**

Ms. Mary Brannen, 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. Morris motioned, Ms. Eells seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Assistant Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

**Executive Session Minutes**: Tabled for review and approval until the January 8, 2021 Board meeting

November 5, 2020 PPC

• November 6, 2020

With no additional Board business requiring discussion, the Board meeting was adjourned at 11:57 a.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC-1

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Chair Executive Director

Minutes approved on: **January 8, 2021**