

The Investigative Committee of the Georgia Board of Nursing met Thursday, March 23, 2017 via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kelli Lockwood, RN, MSN, Immediate Past Vice President  
Amy Hooper, LPN, Vice President  
Linda Floyd, RN  
Merry Fort, RN

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, Assistant Attorney General

Lockwood called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 23, 2017.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Fort moved, Floyd 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 23, 2017, Lockwood **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)

Hooper moved to present the following recommendations to the Board.

RNI170078/RNI170171 – Refer to the **Attorney General’s Office for a private consent order to include a fine of \$500** for a Continuing Education violation. Close the falsification case with a Letter of Concern.

RNI161203 – Refer to the **Attorney General’s Office 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.

RNI170495 – Close the case with a Letter of Concern (Action in Another Jurisdiction).

RNI170699 – Deny the application. May reapply after resolution of North Carolina Board of Nursing investigation.

RNI150232 – **Refer to the Attorney General’s Office** for a public consent order to include a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct/Substandard Care, and courses in Professional Accountability and Legal Liability for Nurses; Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills, Evidence Based Diagnosis and Treatment of Torsion of the Spermatic Cord in the Pediatric Patient.

LPN170156 – Refer to Investigations.

RNI170665 – Refer to Investigations.

RNI150650 – **Refer to the Attorney General’s Office for a private consent order to include three (3) years** monitoring, quarterly reports (self, employer, psychotherapy), quarterly PEth screenings, Substance Abuse Stipulations, a course in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing and a fine of \$500 for Failure to Disclose.

RNI150367 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a public consent order to include five (5) years probation, quarterly reports (self, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy), substance abuse stipulations, a course in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing and a fine of \$500 for violation of previous order.

RNI160794 – Close with a Letter of Concern (Action in Another Jurisdiction).

LPNI170009 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a suspension for a minimum of three (3) months. May petition to lift with an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator to be completed within 30 days of petition to lift. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. Deny the renewal.

RNI160899 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a public consent order to include two (2) years probation, quarterly reports (self, employer) a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct and courses in Ethics of Nursing Practice and Principles of Safe Prescribing: Pharmacokinetics, Pharmacodynamics, Pharmacogenomics & Drug Interactions.

RNI160393 - Refer to the Attorney General's Office. Deny the renewal.

RNI160931 – Close the case.

LPNI160070 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a voluntary surrender or indefinite suspension. May petition to lift with an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator to be completed within 30 days of petition. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

LPNI160386 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a public consent order to include a fine of \$500 for Action in Another Jurisdiction.

LPNI160228 – Close the case with a Letter of Concern (Unprofessional Conduct).

LPNI160125 – Close the case with a Letter of Concern (Unprofessional Conduct).

LPNI170258 – License by examination with a Letter of Concern (Arrest).

LPNI150314 – Close the case with a Letter of Concern (Medication Administration).

RNI170044 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a voluntary surrender or involuntary suspension. May petition to lift with an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator to be completed within 30 days of petition. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant.

RNI130647 – Approve the request to terminate the consent order.

RNI140267 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office 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.

RNI151316 – Deny the request for agency employment.

RNI100056 – Approve the request to lift requirement for employer audit.

RNI090345 – Approve the request to terminate the consent order.

LPNI160212 – Refer to the Attorney General's Office. Deny the renewal.

Fort seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Thursday, March 23 2017 at 4:43 p.m.

  
James D. Cleghorn, Executive Director