

The Georgia Board of Nursing met January 7, 2019 via telephone conference from the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Georgia Secretary of State, located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Janice Izlar, RN, CRNA, DNAP, President
Debra Amick, RN, MSN, CJCP, CPHQ, NE-BC
Tammy Bryant, RN, MSN
Rebecca Coleman, RN, DNP, RNC-OB, C-EFM
Merry Fort, RN
Tracy Torgerson, RN MSN CRNI
Blair Train, Consumer Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Amy Hooper, LPN, Vice President
Tracey Blalock, RN, MSN, MBA, NEA-BC
Fredetena (Tina) Fletcher, LPN
Linda Floyd, RN, EdD, PMHNP-BC
Andrea Phipps, LPN
Darrell Thompson, RN, DNP, ACNP-BC, FNP-BC

STAFF PRESENT

Jim Cleghorn, Executive Director
Tara Miller, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Mary Brannen, JD, Assistant Attorney General

Izlar called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, January 7, 2019. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was determined to exist.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Fort moved, Bryant seconded and the Board 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 cases and pending cases. The motion passed unanimously.

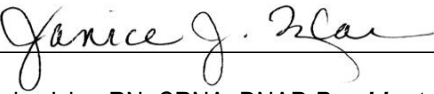
At the conclusion of the executive session on Monday, January 7, 2019, Izlar declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during executive session.

CASE REVIEW (Legal and Discipline cases)

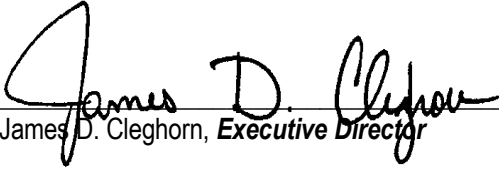
(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number, LPNI=Licensed Practical Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI80664/RNI181199 – Fort moved to refer to the Attorney General’s Office for a summary suspension. May petition to lift with documentation of treatment, safe to practice statement, a fine of \$500 for unprofessional conduct, courses in Righting a Wrong: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing, Narcotic Drugs: Handling and Documentation and Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing. Bryant seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned January 7, 2019 at 8:07 a.m.



Janice Izlar, RN, CRNA, DNAP **President**



James D. Cleghorn, **Executive Director**

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COUNTY OF BIBB

**AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF
PUBLIC MEETING**

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 *et seq.*, requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specific exceptions relied upon. O.C.G.A. §50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meeting in question.

Comes now the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the RN Board.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On January 7, 2019 this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of the members present voted to close the meeting or a portion thereof for the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.
4. The legal authority for the closure of this meeting was:
O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h)
5. The subject(s) discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are:
To deliberate applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications and investigative reports.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT



Presiding Officer

Sworn and subscribed before me
This 7th day of January 2019



Notary Public

