

The Georgia Board of Nursing met November 27, 2019 via telephone conference from the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Georgia Secretary of State, located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Darrell Thompson, RN, DNP, ACNP-BC, FNP-BC
Tammy Bryant, RN, MSN
Tina Fletcher, LPN
Linda Floyd, RN, EdD, PMHNP-BC
Merry Fort, RN
Holly Free, RN, MSN
Jennifer Pipkin, RN, MSN, CRNA
Blair Train, Consumer Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Janice Izlar, RN, CRNA, DNAP, President
Tracey Blalock, RN, MSN, MBA, NEA-BC
Andrea Phipps, LPN

STAFF PRESENT

Jim Cleghorn, Executive Director
Kirsten Daughdril JD, Assistant Attorney General
Mary Brannen, JD, Assistant Attorney General

Thompson called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. on Thursday, November 27, 2019. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was determined to exist.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Bryant moved, Pipkin 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 Thursday, November 27, 2019, Thompson 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)

RNI190385 – Bryant moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a summary suspension. May petition to lift with completion of treatment and a safe to practice statement with standard practice language. Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

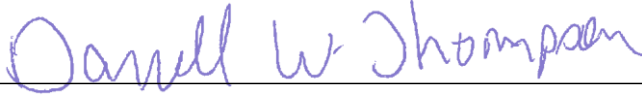
RNI191200 - Fletcher moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a summary suspension. May petition to lift with an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. May petition to lift with submission of mental physical examination within 30 days of petition, five hundred hours of licensed practice as a registered nurse as documented on the verification of employment form provided by the Board and documentation of completion of one of the five competency requirements as set forth in O.C.G.A. § 43-26-9 within two (2) years preceding the date of application for reinstatement, graduation from a nursing education program as defined in O.C.G.A. § 43-26-3(1.2) or completion of a Board approved reentry program as defined in Rule 410-4-03, deny the renewal. Fort seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

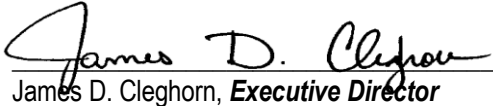
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RNI200224 - Fort moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for an order to lift suspension. Licensee must abide by the terms of the consent order docketed on March 22, 2019. Bryant seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Thursday, November 27, 2019 at 10:23 am.



Darrell Thompson, RN, DNP, ACNP-BC, FNP-BC **Vice President**



James D. Cleghorn, **Executive Director**

STATE OF GEORGIA

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**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 Georgia Board of Nursing.
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 November 27, 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

Daniel Thompson
Presiding Officer

Sworn and subscribed before me
This 27th day of November, 2019

Renea L. Gray
Notary Public

