

The Georgia Board of Nursing met September 26, 2022 via telephone conference from the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Georgia Secretary of State, located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2022**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Tammy Bryant, RN, MSN  
Merry Fort, RN  
Ashlan Porter, RN  
Jennifer Pipkin, RN, MSN, CRNA  
Maceo Tanner, LPN  
Roger Pierce, RN  
Cynthia Summerlin, NP-C, DNP  
Andrea Phipps, LPN  
Ryan Loke, Consumer Member  
Darrell Thompson, RN, DNP, ACNP-BC, FNP-BC

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Joshua Batson NP-C

**STAFF PRESENT**

Natara Taylor, Executive Director  
Kimberly Emm, Assistant Attorney General  
LaWanda Davis, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline  
Kathy Winstead – Board Support

Bryant called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, September 26, 2022. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was determined to exist.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Phipps moved, Porter 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 a Summary Suspension. The motion passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Monday, September 26, 2022, Bryant 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.

**SUMMARY SUSPENSION**

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

**LPNI210382** – Porter moved to Uphold previous Board motion - allow 7-10 days for response to violation letter. Thompson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**RNI220083**

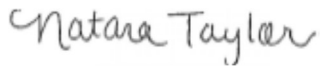
**RNI220286** – Phipps moved that respondent is an Imminent threat to the public - Refer to Attorney General’s Office for a Summary Suspension of privilege to practice in Georgia. Phipps/Porter. Porter seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned September 26, 2022 at 4:15 p.m.



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Tammy Bryant, RN, MSN, **President**



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Natara Taylor, **Executive Director**

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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 September 26, 2022 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 26th day of September, 2022.

  
Notary Public

