

The Investigative Committee B of the Georgia Board of Nursing met Thursday, April 27, 2023, via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

Thursday, April 27, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ashlan Porter, RN
Jennifer Pipkin, RN, MSN, CRNA
Roger Pierce, RN, MSN
Brandy Hollis, LPN
Maceo Tanner, RN
Ryan Loke, Consumer Member

STAFF PRESENT

Tara Taylor, Executive Director, Georgia Board of Nursing
Edye Tillman-Johnson, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
LaWanda Davis, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Trisha McNair, RN, BSN, Legal/Discipline Nursing Consultant
Kimberly Emm, Assistant Attorney General
Shiela Guider, Assistant Attorney General
Erika McKinney, Board Support Specialist

Porter called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 27, 2023.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Tanner moved, Hollins 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, April 27, 2023, Porter 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)

Pierce moved to present the following recommendations to the Board. Pipkin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI220139 – Refer to AG for a public consent order with 5 years’ probation, 2 years’ narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports X5 (s, e, a, psychotherapy, and addictionologist with med management reports submitted by addictionologist while on Subutex), Suboxone language, monthly HairStat5 X12 months and quarterly UDS for duration of probation, SAS, work setting restrictions, \$500 fine for FTD arrest on 2022-24 renewal application, courses Understanding the Disease of Addiction, Righting a Wrong: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing. Investigative costs as applicable. Must submit final court disposition within 10 days of adjudication.

RNI231066 – Issue License with Public Consent Agreement and \$1,900.00 fine for 24 months of ULP (allow applicant to have payment plan if desires)

RNI170163 – Approve request for termination of consent order.

RNI220479 – Close case due to lack of cooperation from Complainant.

RNI181324 – Approve request for termination of consent order.

RNI230374 – Close case with no disciplinary action.

RNI231032 – Close case, is now compliant.

LPNI220308 – Close case with no disciplinary action.

RNI230525 – Close case with LOC-Failure to Disclose.

LPNI230416 – Issue single state License by Endorsement with Private Consent Agreement with \$500.00 fine for FTD.

LPNI230417 – Issue License by exam (does qualify for multistate as well).

RNI231080 – Issue License by Endorsement with LOC-Action in Another Jurisdiction and approve APRN authorization.

LPNI230328 – Refer to AG for indefinite suspension. May petition to lift after three months with MPE and proof of standard practice.

RNI230444 – Refer to AG for revocation of license.

LPNI220213 – Refer to AG - Public Reprimand with \$500.00 fine for FTD 2017 Arrest.

LPNI230364 – Close case.

LPNI220336 – Table pending results of MPE.

LPNI230150 – Refer to AG: MPE, VS/IS if noncompliant and Deny Renewal. May Petition to lift with MPE and proof of standard practice.

LPNI230215 – Close case.

LPNI230351 – Refer to AG: Indefinite Suspension, May petition to lift after 3 months with MPE and proof of standard practice.

LPNI230355 – Refer to AG for MPE, if noncompliant, VS/IS and deny renewal. May petition to lift with MPE and standard work practice language.

RNI230931 – Refer to AG for a superseding order adding stayed suspension language and a \$500 fine for violation of consent order along with all current terms and conditions of Order as follows: 5 years' probation, 5 years' narcotic restriction, quarterly reports X5 (s,e,a,psych and med mgmt.), quarterly random UDS for duration of order, SAS, standard work setting restrictions. (Do not restart sobriety date.)

RNI230932 – LOC – positive test for codeine.

RNI230820 – Refer to AG for MPE, VS/IS if non-compliant, may petition to lift with a MPE, deny renewal, and standard practice requirements.

RNI230811 – Refer to AG for MPE, VS/IS if noncompliant and deny renewal. May petition to lift with MPE and proof of standard practice requirement.

LPNI150518 – Refer to AG for a public consent order with \$500 fine for failure to disclose a felony court disposition within 10 days and a \$500 fine for FTD arrest on her 2017-19 license renewal.

RNI220617 – Send for Peer Review.

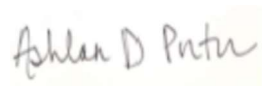
LPNI210210 – Refer to AG for MPE, if noncompliant, VS/IS and deny renewal. May petition to lift with MPE and standard work practice language.

RNI231034 – Issue License with LOC-Alcohol (further action could be pending depending on final disposition).

RNI221367 – Deny request.

RNI231056 – Issue License with LOC Criminal.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Thursday, April 27, 2023, at 4:10 p.m.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ashlan D Porter". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Ashlan Porter, Board Member

STATE OF GEORGIA

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.

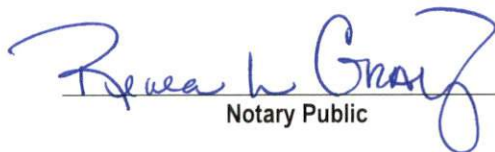
1. I am the presiding officer of the Georgia Board of Nursing.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On April 27, 2023 IC(B) 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 27th day of April, 2023.



Notary Public

