

The Investigative Committee B of the Georgia Board of Nursing met Thursday, October 26, 2023, via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

**Thursday, October 26, 2023**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ashlan Porter, RN  
Brandy Hollis, LPN  
Jennifer Pipkin, RN, MSN, CRNA  
Ryan Loke, Consumer Member

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Roger Pierce, RN, MSN

**STAFF PRESENT**

Edye Tillman-Johnson, RN, BSN, Legal/Discipline Nursing Consultant  
Trisha McNair, RN, BSN, Legal/Discipline Nursing Consultant  
LaWanda Davis, RN, BSN, Legal/Discipline Nursing Consultant  
Janet Freeman, RN, BSN, Legal/Discipline Nursing Consultant  
Max Changus, Assistant Attorney General  
Shiela Guider, Assistant Attorney General  
Erika McKinney, Board Support Specialist

Porter called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. on Thursday, October 26, 2023.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Loke 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, October 26, 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)

Loke moved to present the following recommendations to the Board. Hollins seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**LPNI230410** – Refer to AG for mandatory 3-month Suspension, may request to lift with MPE

**RNI221127** – Investigative Interview

**RNI230963** – Refer to AG for MPE, VS/IS if non-compliant, may petition to lift with MPE and standard practice requirements

**RNI220984** – Close case with LOC-FTD

**RNI240487** – Refer to AG: Public Consent Agreement: Monitoring x 5 years; Quarterly Reports X4 (p,e,a,medication management), random monthly UDS, SAS, standard work restrictions. May petition to terminate after 5 years of documented continuous sobriety. (Agreement to coincide with AL VDAP agreement: projected end date: 05/11/2027)

**LPN240144** – Refer to AG for Private Consent Order with \$500.00 fine for FTD arrest on 2023-2025 renewal application, \$500.00 fine for FTD arrest on eNLC application (issue eNLC with payment of \$1000.00 fine)

**RNI230828** – Investigative Letter with courses to include: 1 - Jurisprudence – Georgia RN, 2 - Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing, and 3 - Narcotic Drugs: Handling and Documentation

**RNI240441** – Refer to local law enforcement- Fulton County. Advise actual nurse that someone is using her license to gain employment and she may wish to contact law enforcement.

**LPNI230016** – Investigative Letter with Courses: Upholding the Standard- Professional Accountability in Nursing; 2- Jurisprudence-Georgia LPN; 3- Aging and Long-Term Care

**LPNI240177** – Request an Applicant MPE for consideration of Licensure

**RNI210354** – Refer to AG for a public consent order with 5 years' probation, quarterly reports X3 (s, e, a.), random monthly UDS with EtG and EtS throughout the period of probation, monthly PEth X24 months, SAS, standard work restrictions and course in Understanding the Disease of Addiction

**RN231137/**

**RNI240508** – Refer to AG for a Public Consent Order with personal and employer reports x 24 mo. and courses to include: 1. Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing 2. Jurisprudence – Georgia RN and 3. Righting a Wrong: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing and \$500 fine for CE violation.

**RNI240508** – \$500 fine for CE violation.

**LPNI230272** – Investigative Letter with courses to include: 1. Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing 2. Jurisprudence – Georgia LPN and 3. Narcotic Drugs: Handling and Documentation.

**RNI231103** – Accept VS.

**RNI240515** – Accept VS.

**RNI230585** – Close case with no disciplinary action.

**RNI230819** – Refer to SOS Investigations: To obtain 1- statement from the supervising provider of the procedures noted in allegations; 2- Copy of protocol agreement and any certifications, training, 3- Provider notes and assessments of patient; 4- Name of facility where patient was admitted for sepsis and medical records of that hospitalization. Upon receipt send for a Peer Review.

**RNI231023** – Proceed with licensure by reinstatement with LOC- Arrest/AAJ. Not eligible for eNLC due to AL action.

**RNI221385** – Investigative Letter with Courses: 1- Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing, 2- Jurisprudence- Georgia RN, 3- Advanced Directive and Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) Orders.

**LPNI220304** – Close Case with LOC- UPC.

**LPNI230563** – Refer complaint to Ga Composite Medical Board to investigate the practice and supervising provider for any regulatory issues.

**RNI231052** – Refer to AG for a public consent order with 5 years' probation, narcotic restrictions X3 years, quarterly reports X 6 (s, e, a, addictionologist, and psychotherapy, and medication management), random monthly UDS with EtG and EtS throughout the period of probation, monthly PEth X12 months, SAS, standard work restrictions and course in Understanding the Disease of Addiction.

**RNI230253** – Refer to AG for a public consent order with 3 years' probation, narcotic restrictions X2 years, quarterly reports X2 (s, e, a), random monthly UDS throughout the period of probation, quarterly Hair (Hairstat 14) X 24 months, SAS, standard work restrictions and course in Understanding the Disease of Addiction.

**LPNI230299** – Refer to AG for a public consent order with 5 years' probation, quarterly reports X3 (s, e, a), random monthly UDS with EtG and EtS throughout the period of probation, monthly PEth X12 months, SAS, standard work restrictions and course in Understanding the Disease of Addiction.

**RNI240530** – Refer to AG for Applicant Psychosexual Evaluation (applicant also need to complete reentry).

**RNI230783** – Refer to AG for a public consent order with 5 years' probation, quarterly reports X3 (s, e, a), random monthly UDS with EtG and EtS throughout the period of probation, monthly PEth X24 months, SAS, standard work restrictions and course in Understanding the Disease of Addiction.

**RNI230827** – Investigative Letter with Courses: 1- Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing; 2- Nursing Jurisprudence- Georgia RN; 3- Nasogastric Tube.

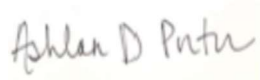
**RNI230927** – Investigative letter with courses to include: 1. Narcotic Drugs: Handling and Documentation, 2. Jurisprudence – Georgia RN 3. Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing.

**RNI240519** – Close Case.

**RNI240493** – Refer to AG for indefinite suspension May petition to lift after 12 months with MPE and safe to practice statement.

**RNI240520** – Close Case.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Thursday, October 26, 2023, at 4:15 p.m.



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Ashlan Porter, *Board Member*

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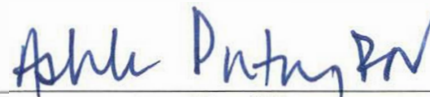
**AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF  
PUBLIC MEETING**

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.**

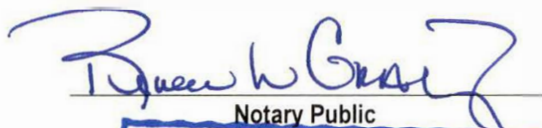
1. I am the presiding officer of the Georgia Board of Nursing.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On October 25, 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 25th day of October, 2023.

  
Notary Public

