

The Investigative Committee A of the Georgia Board of Nursing met Thursday, August 8, 2024, via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

**Thursday, August 8, 2024**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Maceo Tanner, RN  
Darrell Thompson, RN, DNP, ACNP-BC, FNP-BC  
Heather Bohannon, LPN

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Cynthia Summerlin, NP-C, DNP  
Ashley Gresham, MSN, RN, CCRN  
Jessica Willcox, MSN, RN

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Natara Taylor, RN, BSN, Executive Director  
Edye Tillman-Johnson, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline  
LaWanda Davis, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline  
Trisha McNair, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline  
Erika McKinney, Board Support Specialist

Tanner called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m. on August 8, 2024.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Thompson moved, Bohannon seconded, and the Committee voted to enter 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, August 8, 2024, Tanner 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 the executive session.

**INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE CASES**

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

Bohannon moved to present the following recommendations to the Board. Thompson seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

**LPNI240259** – Investigative Letter with Courses: 1 - Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing, 2- Jurisprudence - Georgia LPN, 3 - A Nurse’s Guide to Professional Boundaries (Article), 4- Don’t Cross the Line: Professional Boundaries in Nursing (Article).

**RNI241132** – Investigative Letter with Courses: Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing; 2- Jurisprudence - Georgia RN; 3- Ethics and Professional Conduct: Striving for a Professional Ideal.

**RNI240102** – Close case with no disciplinary action.

**LPNI240288** – Close case with LOC-Medication Discrepancies.

**RNI250116** – Request an Applicant MPE for consideration of reinstatement (related to the 2004 complaint for Positive Drug Screen for Cocaine and Marijuana). The applicant will need to also complete reentry.

**RNI250117** – Request an Applicant MPE for consideration of reinstatement. The applicant will also need to complete reentry. After MPE results reviewed, will need to discuss issuing a Public Consent Agreement and \$500.00 fine for UPC related to the 2017 complaint that was in the AG's office when her license lapsed in 2019.

**RNI250097** – Proceed with licensure by endorsement with LOC. Must submit final disposition within 10 days of adjudication. Applicant is eligible for eNLC at this time.

**RNI240366/**

**RNI241334** – Refer to AG for MPE- VS/IS if non-compliant and deny renewal. May petition to lift with MPE and proof of standard work practice requirements. Hold RNI240366 until results of MPE.

**RNI191213** – Refer to AG year probation with QRs x 5 (s,e,a,psy, med management), QRT Hairstat 10x 12 mo., random twice monthly UDS (EtG and EtS) x24mo then monthly throughout the period of probation, SAS, standard work restrictions.

**LPNI240067** – Refer to AG for a Cease-and-Desist Order. Send investigative file and complaint to MS Board of Nursing.

**LPNI240289** – Refer to AG for MPE. VS/IS if noncompliant and deny renewal. May petition to lift with MPE and proof of standard work practice requirements.

**RNI230786** – Issue license by endorsement with a Private Consent Agreement with 5 years' probation, quarterly reports X4 (s,e,a, med management), random twice monthly UDS with EtG and EtS x24mo then monthly throughout the period of probation, monthly PEth X 24 months, SAS, standard work restrictions, course in Understanding the Disease of Addiction.

**RNI240472** – Refer to AG for 3 years' probation, quarterly reports X3 (s,e,a), monthly PEth testing X12 months, twice monthly UDS with EtG and EtS x24mo then monthly for the duration of probation, SAS, standard work restrictions, course in Understanding the Disease of Addiction.

**RNI240736** – Close case with LOC.

**LPNI240386** – Issue license by endorsement.

**LPNI230603** – Refer to AG for a Public CO, 3yrs probation with QRs x 4 (s,e,psy, med management).

**RNI241513** – Refer to AG for a public consent order with 5 years probation, narcotic restrictions x 2yrs, quarterly reports X3 (s, e, a, ), random twice monthly UDS x24mo then monthly throughout the period of probation, SAS, standard work restrictions and course in Understanding the Disease of Addiction.

**RNI240120** – Close case with LOC-UPC.

**RNI250099** – Refer to Board Staff - Private Consent Agreement with \$500 fine for unauthorized practice.

**LPNI250042** – Request court documents/LOE pertaining to Felony charge.

**RNI250128** – Request an Applicant MPE for consideration of licensure by exam.

**LPNI240324** – Investigative Letter with Courses to include: 1 - Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing, 2 - Jurisprudence – Georgia LPN, and 3 - Patient Rights ([www.ceufast.com](http://www.ceufast.com)).

**RNI240512** – Refer to AG for a MPE by a board-certified psychiatrist for a substance abuse and psychological evaluation. VS/IS if non-compliant and deny renewal. May petition to lift with MPE and proof of standard practice requirements.

**LPNI240364** – Close case. This seems to be a facility issue.

**LPNI250037** – Refer to AG for Private Consent Order and \$500.00 fine for CE violation.

**LPNI240192/**

**LPNI240281** – Refer to AG for MPE- VS/IS if non-compliant and deny renewal. May petition to lift with MPE and proof of standard work practice requirements.

**RNI250100** – Refer to AG for a private consent agreement with 5 years' monitoring, quarterly reports X3 (s,e,a), random twice monthly UDS with EtG and EtS x 24 months, then monthly throughout the period of probation, SAS, standard work restrictions and course in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing. May proceed with licensure upon receipt of signed agreement.

**LPNI230177** – Table until September full Board meeting.

**RNI241224** – Close case with no disciplinary action.

**RNI241415** – Issue license by endorsement and proceed with a public consent agreement with 3 years' probation, quarterly reports X4 (s, e, a, and psych), random twice monthly UDS with EtG and EtS x24mo then monthly throughout the period of probation, monthly PEth X12 months, SAS, standard work restrictions and course in Understanding the Disease of Addiction. Not eligible for an eNLC.

**RNI250095** – Refer to AG for \$500 fine for violation of CO.

**RNI241310** – Close case with a LOC-AAJ.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on Thursday, August 8, 2024, at 4:21pm.



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Maceo Tanner, **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 August 8, 2024 IC(A) 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

  
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Presiding Officer

Sworn and subscribed before me  
This 8th day of August, 2024.

  
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Notary Public

