

The Investigative Committee A of the Georgia Board of Nursing met Thursday, June 5, 2025, via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

Thursday, June 5, 2025

MEMBERS PRESENT

Maceo Tanner, RN
Heather Bohannon, MHA, LPN, CPC
Jessica Willcox, MSN, RN
Lydia Watkins, DNP, RN, CPNP, CNE
Cynthia Summerlin, NP-C, DNP

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ashley Gresham, MSN, RN, CCRN

OTHERS PRESENT

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

Tanner called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on June 5, 2025.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Summerlin moved, Watkins 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, June 5, 2025, 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)

Summerlin moved to present the following recommendations to the Board. Watkins seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

LPNI250254 – Investigative Letter with Courses to include: 1 - Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing, 2 - Jurisprudence – Georgia LPN, 3 – Patient Right.

RNI240886 – Refer to AG for a Public CO with 5 years' probation, quarterly reports X3 (s, e, a.), random twice monthly UDS with EtG and EtS x12 mo then monthly throughout the period of probation, monthly PEth X12 months, SAS, standard work restrictions and course in Understanding the Disease of Addiction. Must submit IOP certificate of completion within 10 days of completion.

RNI250294 – Refer to AG for MPE, VS/IS if non-compliant, deny renewal. May petition to lift with MPE and standard practice requirements. Investigative Costs: \$79.34 (if applicable)

RNI250665 – Send the respondent and facility a copy of the Board's Cosmetic/Aesthetic position statement. Also refer the complaint to both the Cosmetology Board to investigate and Composite Medical Board to determine if the medical director (who is licensed in Florida) is allowing the respondent to practice cosmetic medicine and if the physician is practicing in Georgia without a valid medical license.

RNI250973 – Close case with no disciplinary action.

LPNI250510 – Refer to AG for MPE, if non-compliant, VS/IS and deny renewal. May petition to lift suspension with MPE and standard practice language.

LPNI230454/

LPNI250607 – Change current CO to add stayed suspension language to include a Public Reprimand and \$500 fine for violation of CO (+UDS). Restart Sobriety Date.

RNI251303 – Refer to AG for VS/IS. May petition to lift with one quarter compliance and a safe to practice statement.

LPNI250377

LPNI250460 – Refer to AG for MPE, if non-compliant, VS/IS and deny renewal. May petition to lift suspension with MPE and standard practice language. Must submit court documents within 10 days of adjudication.

RNI240994 – Refer to AG for a Public Reprimand with \$300.00 fine for AAJ against her PTP (Privilege to Practice).

RNI250642 – Close with LOC-Medication Discrepancies.

RNI250281 – Refer to AG for Public Reprimand on Privilege to Practice (eNLC), \$500.00 fine for UPC (patient abandonment), and courses to include: 1 - Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing, 2 - Jurisprudence – Georgia RN, 3 – Patient Rights and Responsibilities. Investigative Costs: \$285.23 (if applicable)

RNI250503 – Investigative Letter with Courses to include: 1 - Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing, 2 - Jurisprudence – Georgia RN, 3 - Documentation: Accurate and Legal.

RNI251567 – Proceed with Initial Authorization as an APRN based on a Multistate RN License in Another Jurisdiction with a LOC- further action could occur pending the outcome of criminal charges.

RNI250799 – Close case with no disciplinary action.

RNI250609 – Close case with LOC.

RNI298688 – Refer to AG for MPE. VS/IS if noncompliant and deny renewal. My petition to lift with MPE and proof of standard work practice requirements.

RNI241170 – Refer to AG for MPE. VS/IS if noncompliant and deny renewal. My petition to lift with MPE and proof of standard work practice requirements.

RNI251582 – Proceed with Licensure by Endorsement as a RN with a Public Consent Agreement and \$2,200.00 fine for 26 months of ULP and close the FTD AAJ with LOC since it occurred more than 5 years ago and was not directly related to the practice of nursing (verify with licensing analyst a multistate license can be issued after fine paid).

RNI251099 – Refer to AG for MPE, if non-compliant, VS/IS and deny renewal. May petition to lift suspension with MPE and standard practice language.

RNI241445 – Refer to AG for Suspension of CNM authorization x 6 months. May petition to lift with approved copy of GCMB approved protocol agreement with courses with Courses: 1- Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing; 2- Jurisprudence – Georgia RN; 3 – Legal Implications of Practice that Every Nurse Practitioner Should Know.
RN License - Probation x 2 yrs with QTR (e,s) with standard workplace restrictions.

LPNI250505/

LPNI250612 – Refer to AG for MPE, if non-compliant, VS/IS and deny renewal. May petition to lift suspension with MPE and standard practice language. Must submit court documents within 10 days of adjudication. Will need to address CE violation with MPE.

LPNI250164

LPNI250613 – Refer to AG for MPE, if non-compliant, VS/IS and deny renewal. May petition to lift suspension with MPE and standard practice language. Will need to address CE violation with MPE

LPNI220073 – Applicant MPE. Will require reentry

RNI251350 – Refer to AG for MPE, if non-compliant, VS/IS and deny renewal. May petition to lift suspension with MPE and standard practice language. Also, refer back to investigations to obtain facility records (was arrested while driving a company vehicle)

RNI251446 – Refer to AG for MPE, if non-compliant, VS/IS and deny renewal. May petition to lift suspension with MPE and standard practice language

LPNI250141 – Close case with no disciplinary action

RNI241331 – Investigative Letter with Courses: 1- Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing; 2- Jurisprudence – Georgia RN; 3 – Legal Implications of Practice that Every Nurse Practitioner Should Know

LPNI250256 – Investigative Letter with Courses: 1- Upholding the Standard- Professional Accountability in Nursing; 2- Jurisprudence- Georgia RN; 3 – Narcotic Drugs: Handling and Documentation

RNI250542 – Refer to AG- Cease and Desist. Place DeAnne Hudgins on Imposter List.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on Thursday, June 5, 2025, at 4:14 pm.

Handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Maceo Tanner, RN". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Maceo Tanner, **Board Member**

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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.

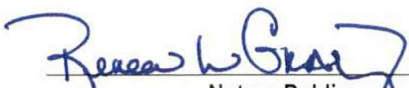
1. I am the presiding officer of the Georgia Board of Nursing.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On June 5, 2025 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



Presiding Officer

Sworn and subscribed before me
This 5th day of June, 2025.


Notary Public

