

The Investigative Committee B of the Georgia Board of Nursing met Thursday, August 28, 2025, via conference call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

### **Thursday, August 28, 2025**

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dena Zinker, MSN, RN, NE-BC, FACHE  
Brandy Hollins, LPN  
Roger Pierce, RN, MSN  
Jennifer Pipkin, RN, MSN, CRNA

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Joshua Batson, RN, NP-C  
Ryan Loke, Consumer Member

#### **STAFF PRESENT**

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

Zinker called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 28, 2025.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Pierce 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, August 28, 2025, Zinker 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)

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

**RNI241005** – Close case with no disciplinary action.

**LPNI250354** – Close case with no disciplinary action.

**LPNI260030** – Refer to Legal Services for a Private Consent Order with \$500.00 fine for CE violation.

**RNI250800** – Close case with no disciplinary action.

**RNI250801** – Close case with no disciplinary action.

**RNI251413** – Close case with no disciplinary action.

**RNI250865** – 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 is allowing the respondent to practice cosmetic medicine.

**LPNI260066** – Issue a LOC-Criminal (the eNLC can be issued after verifying documentation is complete with licensing analyst).

**RNI251195** – Refer to AG for a Public Reprimand and \$500 fine for UPC and course to include 1. Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing 2. Jurisprudence – Georgia RN, 3. Narcotic Drugs: Handling and Documentation 3. Nurse Delegation to Unlicensed Care Providers.

**RNI251171** – Refer to AG for a Public Reprimand and \$500 fine for UPC and course to include 1. Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing 2. Jurisprudence – Georgia RN, 3. Ethics and Professional Conduct: Striving for a Professional Ideal 4. Medication Administration.

**RNI250561** – Refer to AG for MPE, if non-compliant, VS/IS and deny renewal. May petition to lift suspension with MPE and standard practice language. Deactivate eNLC.

**RNI250931** – Refer to AG for Public Consent order 5 years' probation, stayed suspension language, quarterly reports X3 (s,e,a.), random twice monthly UDS with EtG and EtS x 24 mo. then monthly throughout the period of probation, monthly PEth X24 months, SAS, standard work restrictions and course in Understanding the Disease of Addiction. Must submit final court documentation for arrests x2 within 10 days of adjudication.

**LPNI220073** – Refer to AG for a Public Consent Agreement with 5 years' probation, stayed suspension language, quarterly reports X3 (s, e, a.), 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. Must submit certificate of IOP within 10 days of completion. To include Investigative Costs as applicable. May issue a temporary permit to complete reentry upon receipt of the signed consent agreement and a board approved reentry program.

**RNI251621** – Refer to AG for MPE, if non-compliant, VS/IS and deny renewal. May petition to lift suspension with MPE and standard practice language.

**RNI250832** – Deny conversion of single state license to eNLC, proceed with authorization as an APRN. APRN Authorization and RN license to be referred to the AG for a public consent order to include stayed suspension language, 5 years' probation, quarterly reports X3 (s, e, a.), 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. Must enroll in IOP within 10 days of docket date and submit certificate of completion.

**RNI210943/**

**RNI210355** – Approve early termination of probation.

**RNI240472** – Deny request to work as a Home Training Nurse.

**LPNI260071** – Proceed with a single state Licensure by Exam as a LPN with a LOC-Criminal (the drug related charges are 18 years old).

**RNI241209** – Proceed with licensure by endorsement with LOC- AAJ. Not eligible for eNLC.

**LPNI260064** – Investigative Interview.

**RNI250784** – Refer to AG – Private Consent Agreement to mirror terms and conditions of SCRPP Agreement - 5 yrs, SAS, Standard Work Restrictions, QTR-( e,s,a, medication management, psych); Twice Monthly UDS with EtG/EtS, Monthly PEth x 12 months (May accept SCRPP toxicology results). Include stayed suspension language.

**LPNI260067** – Proceed with a single state Licensure by Endorsement as a LPN with a LOC-Criminal (not eligible for eNLC until submits proof of expungement).

**RNI251263** – Proceed with licensing and Refer to AG for a Public Consent Agreement with 5 years' probation, quarterly reports X5 (s, e, a, addictionologist, psychotherapy), quarterly Hairstat 5, random twice monthly UDS x24mo then monthly throughout the period of probation, SAS, standard work restrictions and course in Understanding the Disease of Addiction.

**RNI260225** – Applicant MPE.

**RNI260237** – Request applicant MPE.

**LPNI260062** – Proceed with licensure by endorsement.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on Thursday, August 28, 2025, at 4:17 pm.



Presiding Officer

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Dena Zinker, **Board Member**

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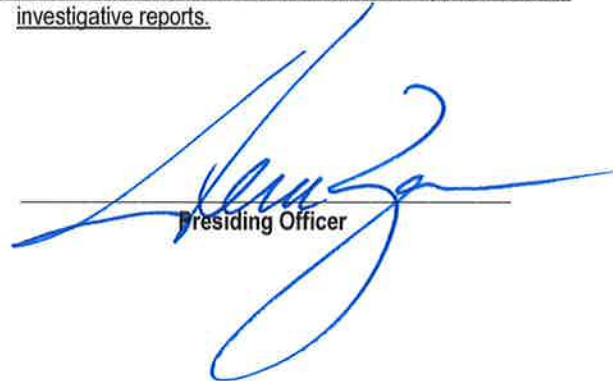
**AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF  
PUBLIC MEETING**

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.

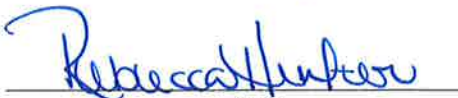
**Comes now the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.**

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 21, 2025 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 17 day of September, 2025.

  
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Notary Public

