

**GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,  
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS**  
Conference Call/Webex Board Meeting Minutes – January 9, 2026 \* 10:00 AM

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met via teleconference/Webex on Friday, January 9, 2026.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Angie Smith, LPC, Chair  
Gregory Moffatt, LPC  
Tommy Black, LPC  
Deborah Sills, CSW  
Sandra Mullings, CSW  
Endsley Real, CSW  
Jennifer Vann, MFT  
Andrea Meyer Stinson, MFT  
Bridget Knowles, MFT  
Brent Herrin, Consumer Member

**ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE**

Elizabeth Simpson, AAG

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:**

Amanda Allen, Executive Director  
Jalaina Fuller, Licensing Supervisor  
Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist  
Kimberly Candler, Licensing Analyst  
Kathy Jones, Licensing Analyst  
Carmen Beecher, Licensing Analyst

**VISITORS PRESENT:**

David Markwell  
Jan Yates, NASW  
Lisa Morris  
Aaron T. Williams  
Andrea O.  
Anni Skurja, GAMFT  
Call-In User 1  
Demetrious Walker  
Gale Macke, GA-LPCA  
James  
Jennifer Hama  
Kateri Klingele Pinell  
Latoya Newman  
Miya H.  
Mandy Mullen  
MLV2

Rachel Reeves  
Rebecca Thomas  
Shaunesse B.  
Susan Yates  
Talisa Burke  
Tanya Ralph Scott  
Emi Valerio  
Ronny A.  
KaNecia Harpe  
L. Kincade  
Quameshia Carter  
Femi A.  
Karma  
Shardae Wherry  
Kaylee Natali

**Angie Smith, LPC, Chair, established that a quorum was present and called the Board meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.**

**Agenda:** Approved with no additional late item:

**Meeting Minutes:**

- December 5, 2025 CC Board Meeting

**Recommendation:**

Approve as presented

**Mr. Moffatt motioned, Ms. Meyer Stinson seconded, and the Board voted to approve the December 5, 2025 CC Board Meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Petition for Rule Waiver/Variance:**

- T. Corporal – Rule 135-3-.01

**Recommendation:**

Grant one-time 6-month exam extension

**Ms. Mullings motioned, Ms. Meyer Stinson seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition for T. Corporal and allow a one-time 6-month exam extension as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Application Ratify List** - Licenses Issued Between: (December 4, 2025 - January 7, 2026)

License	Contact
LPC016238	Colleen Donahue Ritz
LPC016244	Joseph Andrew Simon
LPC016221	Ashbina Germaine Blaise
LPC016227	Logan Kenneth Cheong
LPC016237	Lora Christian Pitner
LPC016217	Julia L Young
LPC016206	Carolnette Arbouine
LPC016208	Kenetra Dandridge
LPC016225	Tamara Jordan Campbell
LPC016214	Astrid Truss
LPC016242	Helen-Grace Philpot Scott
LPC016251	Caila Lene'
LPC016246	Stephanie Lauren Wooden
LPC016226	Christin Yohler Cawley
LPC016233	Elizabeth Sims Lamason
LPC016209	Rene' Gloria Hood
LPC016249	Mia Sun Kim Chang
LPC016207	Genger Kaye Benson Perez
LPC016213	Edvina May
LPC016211	Danielle Nicole Larkins
LPC016250	Gretel Rivera
LPC016205	Demetria Agharese
LPC016241	Emily Christine Schneider
LPC016239	Amy Hancock Robertson
LPC016210	Jarodd Walter Hundley
LPC016212	Anastasia Leondis
LPC016240	Sumiyya Saleem
LPC016223	Hannah Rebekah Brown
LPC016219	Mary Joyce Bacon
LPC016235	Selena Lomeli
LPC016215	Bryan Patrick Wade
LPC016216	Imani Nyasa Wilform
LPC016220	Ansley Marie Bair
LPC016218	Oluwafunto Akomolafe Awoyemi
LPC016232	Shanithia Shanae Kendrick
LPC016222	Rhea Marie Boyd
LPC016224	Madelyn Winslow Buxton

LPC016245	Alexes Crestina Whitaker-Davis
LPC016228	Rachel Erin Clark
LPC016229	James Anthony Dixon Jr
LPC016230	Heather Dawne Doran
LPC016231	Piper Courtney Harris
LPC016236	Alexandra Lynne Middleton
LPC016234	Kara Elise Laschober
LPC016243	Mari K Sidwell
LPC016247	Elizabeth Louise Bailey
LPC016248	Christopher Bertiaux
LPC016252	Danielle Marie Chen
LPC016253	Stephanie Shea Hutchinson
MSW012794	Eunice Manuella Davis
MSW012795	Chariss Marie Fields
MSW012796	Rita Iheanacho
MSW012797	Olivia Irene Smith
MSW012798	Kathryn Rose Anderson
MSW012799	Catherine Boon
MSW012801	Samantha Ford
MSW012805	Breck Lathrop Zavodny
MSW012802	Morgan Leigh McLeod
MSW012800	Shanee Yvonne Chambers
MSW012804	Kymberly Ric'kel Washington
MSW012803	Eunice Park
MSW012806	Jonathan Lee Davis
MSW012807	Kathryn Louise Chamberlain
MSW012808	John Lester Dawson
MSW012809	Kelsey Regan Edmonds
MSW012810	Megan Nichole Johnson
MSW012811	Kiarah Alexis Serrano
MSW012812	Tabitha Jane Jeffries
MSW012813	Latasha Green
MSW012814	Susan Alexa Escobar
MSW012815	Elaine Goldstone
MSW012816	Krista Fay McWhorter
MSW012817	Glenda Doreen Middleton
MSW012818	Sonalis Aliyah Muhammad
MSW012819	Janeline Odalys Sanchez

MSW012820	Stacey S Yates
MSW012821	Abigail Lyn Tucker
MSW012822	Summer Molitierno
MSW012823	Kammeron Alise Newton
MSW012824	Sarah Caitlin Olmstead
MSW012825	Madeline Samantha Ann Titelbaum
MSW012826	Kristen Nicole Head
MSW012827	Emma Alexandra Jordan
MSW012828	ROSILYN NICOLE STALLWORTH
MSW012829	James Clifton Edwards-Roberts
MSW012830	Corlisa Tillman-Hampton
MSW012834	Jessica Marie Melford
MSW012831	Barrington Christopher Bell
MSW012832	Anna Marie Cobb
MSW012833	Anna Gardner Graves
MSW012836	Marsha Anne Pearson
MSW012835	Katherine Lili Moreno
MSW012837	James Tatum Slaughter III
MSW012838	Samantha Glenn Martin
MSW012845	Destiny Stokes
MSW012839	Hannah Grace Olive
MSW012840	Lauren Alexandria Pilman
MSW012841	Salihah Priester
MSW012842	Rebekah Layne Sandoval
MSW012843	Zariah Shayree Shaw
MSW012844	Mary Elizabeth Soto
MSW012846	Kristen DeShay Taylor
MFT002250	Jacqueline Bush
MFT002255	Jami Lynn Marie Rieffel
MFT002253	Veronica Shelton
MFT002251	Eddie Rodriguez
MFT002252	Mesheka Michelle Lowers
MFT002254	Misty Williams
MFT002256	Richardson Emmanuel Benjamin
MFT002257	Khushbu Shaileshkumar Patel
CSW009900	Atana Antwaunet Dravelle Gilbert
CSW009901	Lynzi Denise Williams
CSW009902	Tabitha Lauren Younger
CSW009903	Elizabeth Batuka Mukasa
CSW009904	Charlie Neal Morris

CSW009905	Monica Dhulia Fields
CSW009906	Amber Marie Brown
CSW009907	Kesedria Carter
CSW009908	Destiney Alexis Betz
CSW009909	Sally Joann Daily
CSW009910	Katelyn Marie Hackbarth
CSW009911	Janay Angell McPherson
CSW009912	Shaunquisha Leary
CSW009913	Yajaira Lissette Coreas
CSW009914	Michael W Ferguson Jr
CSW009915	Rebecca Lee Gusse
CSW009916	Marquetta Johnson
CSW009917	Lily Friend Kerr
CSW009918	Larissa Lavallee
CSW009919	Levin Eugenio Manabat
CSW009920	Olga Marshall
CSW009921	Julia L Mendizabal
CSW009922	Julia Braisted Page
CSW009923	Grace Robinson
CSW009924	Raven Marie Walker
CSW009925	Amy Cecilia Gardner
CSW009929	Bria Kay Landrum
CSW009926	Fawn Logan Hayes
CSW009927	Katelyn Brooke Penn
CSW009928	Haley Taylor Thomas
CSW009930	Rachel Tarez
CSW009931	Arnesa Javon Hardin
CSW009932	Melisa Ann Santos Baumgartner
CSW009933	Elizabeth Autry Rhea
CSW009934	Tabitha Paige Abrams
CSW009935	Olivia Kendall Baggett
CSW009936	Shakirah Nicole Morgan
CSW009938	Anthony Javon Brown
CSW009939	Juliana Beem Eastham
CSW009944	Lakeisha Sherrell Howard
CSW009937	Jarad Nagee Brown
CSW009940	Mariam Fatehi
CSW009941	Samantha Rose Gonzalez
CSW009943	Dale Andrea Hinton
CSW009942	Kathryn Ann Hendley
CSW009945	Alexis Lynn Vernon

CSW009946	Annie Marie Ward
CSW009947	Samantha Carol Bell
CSW009948	Brandi Renee Moody
CSW009949	Karla D Ramirez
CSW009950	Deborah Marie Walker
APC010783	Tailey Ferguson
APC010778	Esther Akinola
APC010779	Karen Lynn Allen
APC010780	Aven Christine Barbosa
APC010781	Kahla E Childers
APC010782	Marie Ducey
APC010784	Jessica Renee Forbes
APC010785	Madeline Grace Franke
APC010786	Elizabeth Hawes
APC010787	Anahi Camila Heald
APC010788	Marianna Elisabeth Hiles
APC010789	Madison Elaine Hill
APC010790	Ruth Samuel Hillo
APC010791	Wakenia Shawnee Hollman
APC010792	Ava Brooks Hughes
APC010793	Candace Lynne Johnson
APC010796	Brittney Norment
APC010794	Ryan Avery Langston
APC010795	Richard John Leseganich
APC010805	Natesia Turner
APC010797	Andria Kathryn Parker
APC010798	Molly Tabb Peterka
APC010799	Avery Porter
APC010800	Annaliese Mayo Riley
APC010801	Ansley Lane Rosamilia
APC010802	Anna Lydia Scott
APC010803	Julia Leigh Harrison Scott
APC010804	Deja Dorothea Smith

APC010806	Granada Rebecca Watson
APC010816	Jennifer Lopez
APC010808	Lynn Lashunn Anderson
APC010812	Heather Erin Irvin
APC010807	Adriane Brianna Anderson
APC010817	Mahima Patel
APC010814	Brittany Morton Jones
APC010813	JuBrenza Renae Jackson
APC010809	Amelia Katelyn Blankenship
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APC010818	Asia Marie Pittman
APC010819	Marchketa Halicia Smallwood
APC010821	KayCee LaCour Threatt
APC010824	Yisela Flores Herrera
APC010823	Darah McCloud
APC010831	Sasha Brown
APC010825	Keith Tepera
APC010827	CONSTANTINOS MISKIS
APC010826	Bridget Taylor
APC010828	Katherine Rose Mulazzi
APC010833	Quinton Cornel Cook
APC010829	Jessica Rae Galison
APC010830	Jada Gibson
APC010832	Raven Doran Carnes
APC010834	Melissa Sharpe
APC010835	Vanessa Marie Graddick
AMFT000915	Ethan Ryder Williams
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>220</b>

**Ms. Real motioned, Ms. Meyer Stinson seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Application Ratify List of licenses issued between Board meetings as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Associations – Board Updates:** Association updates were provided by Jan Yates, NASW-GA, Gale Macke LPCA-GA and Anni Skurja, GAMFT

**Ms. Mullings motioned, Mr. Moffatt seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2-(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to conduct the denied applicant interviews, receive and review information pertaining**

to applications, receive reports from the Assistant Attorney General, the Professional Practices (Complaints), the Professional Standards (Applications) Committees and review prior meeting executive session meeting minutes. Voting in favor of the motion were Board members present Smith, Moffatt, Black, Mullings, Vann, Real, Sills, Meyer Stinson, Knowles and Herrin.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, January 9, 2026, Ms. Smith declared the meeting into “open” session pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken in the Executive Session.

**Applications:**

The separate Professional Standards Committees reviewed and made recommendations on all applications presented by the administrative staff. A total of 400 applications were presented for Board review this month.

**Ms. Real motioned, Ms. Mullings seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Professional Standard Committees made for the Associate and Professional Counselor applications, the Clinical and Master Social Worker applications, and the Associate and Marriage and Family Therapy applications as presented. In addition, the Board voted for licenses to be issued upon receipt of an official exam score report of passage of the exam if all other requirements for licensure have been met. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Professional Practices Committee/Complaints Report:**

❖ **Investigative Interviews Conducted:**

**COMP240198**

Recommendations: Close Case

**COMP250040**

Allegations: Failure to perform client services

Recommendations: Refer to the AG for a private order. Require board approved supervisor, minimum of 3 hours per month for a minimum of 12 months. Require 12 hours of ethics, synchronous and pre-approved by the board and not to be used for renewal and must address scope of practice (6 hours minimum), professionalism, and general ethics. Can petition to be released from BO following 12 months of supervision and completion of CEs.

**COMP250134**

Recommendations: Refer to the AG for a private order. Require board approved supervisor, minimum of 3 hours per month for a minimum of 12 months. Quarterly reports from both supervisor and R. Require 12 hours of ethics, synchronous and pre-approved by the board and not to be used for renewal, and must address boundaries (6 hours minimum), professionalism, and general ethics. During this period R cannot engage in any behavior that might distract from client care, including having children in session. Can petition to be released from BO following 12 months of supervision and completion of CEs.

**COMP250154**

Recommendations: No show; Revisit in February

**COMP250341/260013**

Recommendations: No show; send C&D.

**COMP260181**

Recommendations: Tabled; Pending receipt of case notes from Respondent

**COMP260167**

Recommendations: No show; Reschedule Interview

**COMP260103/260110**

Recommendations: Refer to AG’s office for public Board order, require 12 months of supervision with Board approved supervisor, 12 synchronous Board-approved CE hours (6 ethics/6 boundaries) that cannot be counted towards next renewal.

**COMP260155**

Recommendations: Close case w/ LOC.

**COMP260190**

Recommendations: Close Case

**COMP250371**

Recommendations: Close Case

**COMP240097**

Recommendations: No show; Close Case

**Mr. Moffatt motioned, Ms. Vann seconded, and the Board voted to refer COMP250040 to the AG's office for a Private Board Order as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Ms. Vann motioned, Mr. Moffatt seconded, and the Board voted to refer COMP250134 to the AG's office for a Private Board Order as presented. None opposed, motion carried**

**Ms. Mullings motioned, Ms. Vann seconded, and the Board voted to refer COMP260103/260110 to the AG's office for a Public Board Order as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

❖ **Recommend Closure:** COMP240097, COMP240198, COMP250003, COMP250371, COMP260041, COMP260043, COMP260084, COMP260094, COMP260123, COMP260129, COMP260136, COMP260155, COMP260156, COMP260173, COMP260185, COMP260188, COMP260189, COMP260190,

❖ **Schedule for Investigative Interview:** COMP260154

❖ **Tabled - Pending Receipt of Additional Information:** COMP260122, COMP260132, COMP260143, COMP260146

❖ **Misc. Cases:**  
**COMP230181**

Recommendations: Tabled for review during February 5, 2026 PPC meeting

**Ms. Sills motioned, Ms. Vann seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Professional Practices Committee report and accept the recommendations as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Assistant Attorney General's Report:**

Ms. Elizabeth Simpson, AAG, provided a status report, which included information on any cases referred for action, requests for advice and /or requests for authority for proposed rules.

**Ms. Real motioned, Ms. Knowles seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Assistant Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Executive Session Minutes:**

- December 4, 2025 PPC Meeting
- December 5, 2025 CC Board Meeting

**Recommendation:**

- Approve as presented
- Approve as presented

**Ms. Vann motioned, Mr. Moffatt seconded, and the Board voted to approve the December 4, 2025 C.C. Professional Practices Committee Executive Session minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Ms. Vann motioned, Mr. Moffatt seconded, and the Board voted to approve the December 5, 2025 C.C. Executive Session Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.**

**Ex. Misc. Discussion Items:**

- **S.W.** – Refer to AG’s office for issuance of a clarification statement outlining the basis for the Board’s denial of the submitted Petition for Rule Waiver.
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- **D.H.** - DUI Self Report – Board Information Only

**Mr. Moffatt motioned, Ms. Knowles seconded, and the Board voted to refer the matter of S.W. to the AG’s office clarification statement outlining the basis for the Board’s denial of the submitted Petition for Rule Waiver. None opposed, motion carried.**

**With no additional Board business requiring discussion, the Board meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.**

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Amanda Allen, Executive Director, HC-1

**ANNJEANEN “ANGIE” SMITH**

Chair

**AMANDA M. ALLEN**

Executive Director

Minutes approved: **February 6, 2026**

**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 meetings 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 AnnJeanen "Angie" Smith, 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 Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists.
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 January 9, 2020, 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.

The legal authority for the closure of this meeting was O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h).

4. The subject(s) discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are:

SUBJECT DISCUSSED:	LEGAL AUTHORITY
Investigations including reports and deliberations	O.C.G.A. Sect. 43-1-19(h)(2)&(4)
Applications	O.C.G.A. Sect. 43-1-2-(k)(1)(2)
Exams (including questions, materials and deliberations)	O.C.G.A. Sect. 43-1-2(k)(3)(4)
Attorney General's Report (certain matters of attorney/client privilege)	O.C.G.A. Sect. 50-14-2(1)
Investigative Interviews if part of disciplinary	O.C.G.A. Sect. 43-1-19(4)
Probation Report (employer and self report)	O.C.G.A. Sect. 50-18-72(G)(2)
Probation Reports (medical information)	O.C.G.A. Sect. 50-18-72(G)(2)
Executive Session Minutes	O.C.G.A. Sect 50-14-4
Cognizant Member's Report	O.C.G.A. Sect. 43-1-2(k)(4)
Voting	None (must be in open session)

**FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT**

PRESIDING OFFICER Angie Smith

with Express Permission  
 Amanda Allen, Executive Director

Sworn and subscribed before me  
 This 9 day of JANUARY, 2020

Linsey Joine  
 Notary Public  
 My commission expires:

