GEORGIA BOARD OF NURSING

The Georgia Board of Nursing convened on Thursday, January 15, 2026, at 10:30 a.m. for an Agency Review at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Office of the Secretary of State, located at 3920 Arkwright Road, Suite 195, Macon, Georgia 31210 and via Webex video conference.

Thursday, January 15, 2026

MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Maceo Tanner, RN, President
- Heather Bohannon, LPN, CPC, Vice President
- Ashlan Porter, RN, BSN *
- Lydia Watkins, DNP, RN, CPNP, CNE
- Roger Pierce, RN, MSN *
- Cynthia Summerlin, NP-C, DNP *
- Jessica Willcox, MSN, RN

STAFF PRESENT:

- Natara Taylor, Executive Director
- Edye Tillman-Johnson, RN, BSN, Legal/Discipline Nursing Consultant *
- LaWanda Davis, RN, BSN, Legal/Discipline Nursing Consultant *
- Trisha McNair, RN, BSN, Legal/Discipline Nursing Consultant *
- Stevan Van Hook, RN, MSN, Education Consultant *
- Erika McKinney, Board Support Specialist
- Michelle Sawyer, Assistant Attorney General *
- Giovanna Franchi Souza, Assistant Attorney General *
- D. Christopher Smith, Assistant Attorney General *

MEMBERS ABSENT:

- Ryan Loke, Consumer Member
- Dena Zinker, MSN, RN, NE-BC, FACHE
- Brandy Hollins, LPN
- Joshua Batson, RN, NP-C
- Ashley Gresham, MSN, RN, CCRN

* *Via Webex*

OTHERS PRESENT VIRTUALLY:

- Cheryl Nuckolls
- Angela Carroll
- Jackie Braham
- Brewton-Parker Christian University
- Hester, Bobbie
- Sampson McQueen
- Karen Scrivner
- Courtney Reed
- Kamryn Wham, GHA
- Schucaulia Washington
- Shaffer, Amy
- Cassandra M. Williams, Esquire
- Murphee Cross

OPEN SESSION

Tanner called the meeting to order at 10:33 am on Thursday, January 15, 2026. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was determined to exist.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Willcox moved, Porter seconded, and the Board 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 the Agency Review. The motion passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of the executive session on Thursday, January 15, 2026, 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.

Agency Review: RNI230902

The Board has deliberated, and its decision is as follows:
1. Findings of Fact:

_√_The Board agrees with the Initial Decision
____The Board does not agree because

2. Conclusions of Law:

_√_The Board agrees with the Initial Decision
____The Board does not agree because

-As to the **sanction**, the Board finds the following is appropriate: Uphold decision by OSAH judge – REVOCATION of license.

7 members agree, 0 members disagree with the decision.

The Agency Review adjourned January 15, 2026, at 11:15 am.

Maceo Tanner, ***President***

Natara Taylor, ***Executive Director***

STATE OF GEORGIA

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 January 14-15, 2026 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 15th day of January, 2026.

Notary Public

RENEA L. GRAY
Notary Public, Georgia
Houston County
My Commission Expires
June 01, 2027