

The Georgia Board of Nursing met August 8, 2022 via teleconference video call at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

## **MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2022**

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Tammy Bryant, MSN, BSN, RN, President  
Merry Fort, BS, RN, Vice President  
Joshua Batson NP-C  
Ashlan Porter, RN  
Maceo Tanner, LPN  
Jennifer Pipkin, RN, MSN, CRNA  
Roger Pierce, RN, MSN  
Ryan Loke, Consumer Member  
Cynthia Summerlin, NP-C, DNP

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Darrell Thompson, RN, DNP, ACNP-BC, FNP-BC  
K. Andrea Phipps, LPN

### **STAFF PRESENT**

Wanda Jaffe, Interim Executive Director, Georgia Board of Nursing  
Kimberly Emm, Assistant Attorney General  
Tara Taylor, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline  
Kathy Winstead, Board Support

### **OPEN SESSION**

Bryant called the meeting to order at 2:09 p.m. Monday, August 8, 2022. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was determined to exist.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Porter moved, Tanner 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 Monday, August 8, 2022; Bryant 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 executive session.

### **SUMMARY SUSPENSION / CASE REVIEW**

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

**RNI220407** – Porter moved to refer to Attorney General’s Office once staff receives Dr. Gaskin’s MPE. Tanner seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**RNI230110** – Fort moved to table, until staff receives written report from employer & from Dr. Gaskin (aftercare). Once received, send to Board for a Summary Suspension. Pierce seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on Monday, August 8, 2022, at 2:24 pm

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Tammy Bryant, ***President***

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Wanda M Jaffe, ***Interim Executive Director***

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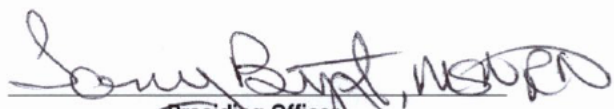
**AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF  
PUBLIC MEETING**

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, 2022 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 8th day of August, 2022.

  
Notary Public

