

The Investigative Committee A of the Georgia Board of Nursing met Thursday, September 10, 2026, via conference call.

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MEMBERS PRESENT

Heather Bohannon, MHA, LPN, CPC
Jessica Willcox, MSN, RN
Ashlan Porter, BSN, RN
Lydia Watkins, DNP, RN, CPNP, CNE

MEMBERS ABSENT

Ashley Gresham, MSN, RN, CCRN
Cynthia Summerlin, NP-C, DNP

OTHERS PRESENT

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
Erika McKinney, Board Support Specialist

Bohannon called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 10, 2026.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Watkins moved, Porter 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, September 10, 2026, Bohannon 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.

AG MEMOS

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

Willcox moved to present the following recommendations to the Board. Porter seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

00257020 – Refer to AG for a Public Consent Order, 2yrs probation, Quarterly reports x 3 (s,e, and psychotherapy therapy with addiction focused counselor).

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE CASES

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

Willcox moved to present the following recommendations to the Board. Porter seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

00260079 – Close case with a LOC- Misrepresentation.

00265600 – Close case and send a copy of the Board's Cosmetic/Aesthetic position statement (for the facility and respondent to use for guidance and reference) and refer complaint to Georgia Composite Medical Board.

00266186 – Investigative Letter with Courses to include: 1 - Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing, 2 - Jurisprudence – Georgia RN, 3 - Professional Boundaries and Ethics in Hospice (<https://www.nurse.com/ce/professional-boundaries-and-ethics-for-hospice-employees>), and 4 - Patient Rights

00266497 – Close case with LOC- Unprofessional Conduct (drug screen refusal) (*Watkins abstains*).

00265837 – Close case with no disciplinary action.

00261711 – Close case with no disciplinary action.

00260046 – Investigative Letter with Courses to include: 1 - Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing, 2 - Jurisprudence – Georgia RN, and 3 - Medical Error Prevention: Fostering a Culture of Safety (<https://www.nurse.com/ce/preventing-medical-errors-culture-of-safety>).

00284369 – Close case with LOC- Substandard Practice.

00290958 – Proceed with Licensure by Repeat Exam as a RN with a LOC-Criminal, qualifies for eNLC.

00291229 – Proceed with Initial Licensure as an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse.

00289122 – Proceed with Licensure by Reinstatement upon completion of Board approved reentry program with LOC.

00289322 – Refer to AG for Private Consent Order to include RN License and APRN License with 5 years probation – Narcotic Restrictions x 2 years - to include may not dispense, furnish, order, or prescribe any controlled substances in any practice setting or under any level of supervision ; QTR x5 (e,s,a ,addictionologist, medication management), QTR Hairstat 5 to include Kratom Testing x 12 months, Random UDS to include Kratom testing 2 x month/24 months then monthly throughout the period of probation, SAS, Standard Work Restrictions. May proceed with issuance of APRN license upon receipt of signed and docketed order.

00289406 – Applicant MPE.

00267151 – Refer to the AG – Public Reprimand with \$500 fine for Action by Another Jurisdiction. Public Consent Order – Probation x 24 months, QTR- e,s; Standard Work Restrictions. Respondent may petition to lift upon completion of terms of California order. Courses – 1- Upholding the Standard- Professional Accountability in Nursing; 2- Jurisprudence- Georgia RN; 3 - Burnout: Impact on Nursing and Quality of Care.

00263424 – Close case with no disciplinary action.

00260885 – Investigative Letter with Courses –1 - Upholding the Standard – Professional Accountability in Nursing, 2 – Jurisprudence – Georgia RN, 3 – Documentation – Accurate and Legal.

00264027 – Refer to Legal Services– Private CO with \$500 fine for CE Violation 2025-2027 renewal.

00223204 – Approve early termination of probation.

00289946 – Proceed with Licensure by Exam with LOC – Arrest. Eligible for eNLC. Must submit final court disposition within 10 days of adjudication.

00289971 – Proceed with licensure by exam. Eligible for eNLC.

00251900 – Lift suspension and refer to AG for a Public CO to include terms and conditions of current Public CO, stayed suspension language, 5yrs probation, QRs x 5 (s, e, a, psych, mm), QTR Hair (Hairstat 5) x 24 mo., random twice monthly UDS x24mo then monthly throughout the period of probation, SAS, Standard work restrictions and course; Accurate and Legal Documentation (Covers legal aspects of documentation). Does not need sobriety date restarted.

00232862 – Lift suspension and refer to AG for a Public CO to include current terms and conditions of Public CO Superseding Prior Order to include a stayed suspension, 5 yr probation, QRs x 4 (s, e, a, psy), SAS, St. work restrictions, monthly PEth x 12mos (completed), Monthly UDSs with EtG and EtS.

00254666 – Lift suspension and refer to AG for a Superseding Public CO to include current terms and conditions of prior CO, 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 X24 months, SAS, standard work restrictions. Restart sobriety date.

00285457 – Close case with no disciplinary action.

00285130 – Refer to AG for MPE; if noncompliant, VS/IS, and deny renewal. May petition to lift, with MPE and standard work-practice language. (Have not received a safe-to-practice statement)

00290127 – Proceed with licensure by endorsement with LOC – Arrest. Eligible for eNLC.

00289228 – IL with courses to include: 1. Upholding the Standard: Professional Accountability in Nursing 2. Jurisprudence – Georgia RN and 3. Accurate and Legal Documentation (Covers legal aspects of documentation).

00290137/

00256606 – Applicant MPE.

00225643 – Approve request to terminate probation 2 months early.

00241344 – Approve the request for early termination of probation.

00287672 – Refer to AG for MPE; if non-compliant, VS/IS, and deny renewal. May petition to lift suspension with MPE and standard practice language.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Thursday, September 10, 2026, at 4:15 pm.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Heather Bohannon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line drawn underneath the name.

Heather Bohannon, **Board Member**

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.

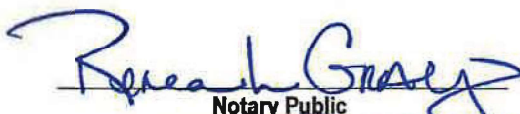
Comes now the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

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 September 10, 2026 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 10th day of September, 2026.


Notary Public

