

VIRGINIA BOARD OF COUNSELING
INFORMAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
February 17, 2011
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Counseling ("Board") convened on February 17, 2011, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, VA, Training Room 1.

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Penn Turner, Chair
John Brendel, Board Member

STAFF PRESENT: Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director
Anne Joseph, Deputy Director, Administrative Proceedings Division
Debbie Harris, Administrative Assistant

MATTER SCHEDULED: Case No.: 134808

DISCUSSION: Kenneth S. Harris appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a notice of the Board dated January 13, 2011, to consider his application to sit for the examination for certification of substance abuse counselor assistant, and to inquire into allegations that grounds exist to deny his application. Mr. Harris was not represented by counsel. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Mr. Harris.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Dr. Brendel and duly seconded by Mr. Turner, the Committee voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation in the matter of Kenneth S. Harris. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Larimer, Ms. Joseph, and Ms. Harris attend the closed meeting, because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations.

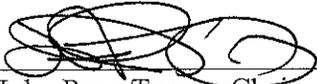
RECONVENE: Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of § 2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee reconvened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Brendel, and duly seconded by Mr. Turner, the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and voted to approve Mr. Harris's application to sit for the examination for certified substance abuse counselor assistant.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 9:30 a.m.



John Penn Turner, Chair



Patricia L. Larimer, Deputy Executive Director

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