

**APPROVED**

**BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

**MINUTES**

**SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE "A"**

**TIME AND PLACE:** Special Conference Committee "A" convened on January 11, 2013 at 9:08 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233.

**PRESIDING:** Surya P. Dhakar, D.D.S.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Charles E. Gaskins, III, D.D.S.  
Tammy K. Swecker, R.D.H.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Martha C. Cutright, D.D.S.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director  
Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager  
Indy Toliver, Adjudication Specialist

**QUORUM:** With three members present, a quorum was established.

**Stephen C. St. Louis, DDS  
Case No.: 141118** Dr. St. Louis appeared without counsel to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated October 3, 2012. The Committee received statements from Dr. St. Louis and discussed the allegations with him.

**Closed Meeting:** Ms. Swecker moved that the Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Stephen C. St. Louis, DDS. Additionally, Ms. Swecker moved that Ms. Reen, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Toliver attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Reconvene:** Ms. Swecker moved that the Committee certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and passed.

**DECISION:** Ms. Toliver reported that the Committee found that Dr. St. Louis during root canal therapy on Patient A's tooth #3 failed to  
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properly seal the tooth in a systematic manner in that he began filling the canals prior to establishing that all canals were dry and ready to receive the obturation material.

Ms. Toliver reported that the Committee issued a reprimand against the license of Dr. St. Louis and he was Ordered to pay a \$500 monetary penalty.

Ms. Swecker moved to adopt the decision of the Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Upon a motion by Ms. Swecker, the minutes from the Informal Conference conducted on November 16, 2012 were approved.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 10:30 a.m.



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Surya P. Dhakar, DDS, Chair

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Date



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Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director

March 8, 2013  
Date