

The **Board of Examiners for Nursing** held a meeting on January 15, 2014 at the Legislative Office Building, Room 1-A, 300 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

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**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Patricia C. Bouffard, RN, Chair  
Lisa S. Freeman, Public Member  
Ellen M. Komar, RN  
Jennifer Long, APRN – *via telephone till 9:49 AM*  
Geraldine Marrocco, RN  
Gina M. Reiners, RN  
Carrie Simon, Public Member

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mary M. Brown, RN

**ALSO PRESENT:** Stacy M. Schulman, Counsel to the Board, DPH  
Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, PLIS, DPH  
Pamela Pelletier-Stevens, Nurse Consultant, DPH  
Linda Fazzino, Staff Attorney, Licensure Regulation and Compliance, DPH  
Leslie Scoville, Staff Attorney, Licensure Regulation and Compliance, DPH  
Ellen M. Shanley, Staff Attorney, Licensure Regulation and Compliance, DPH  
David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Licensure Regulation and Compliance, DPH  
Janice E. Wojick, Administrative Assistant, DPH  
Gail Gregoriades, Court Reporter

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Chair Patricia Bouffard called the meeting to order at 8:35 AM.

#### STUDENTS

Chair Bouffard welcomed students from Stone Academy – West Haven Campus, Porter and Chester - Rocky Hill and Stratford Campuses.

Chair Bouffard provided the students with an overview of the Board's responsibilities, jurisdiction, and nursing education programs.

#### MOTION TO DISMISS CHARGES – PAMELA DOLE, RN/APRN

Ms. Dole was present pro se. Staff Attorney David Tilles was present for the Department.

During the hearing on November 20, 2013, Respondent made an Oral Motion to Dismiss the Statement of Charges in Petition Nos. 2010-5227 and 2011-894 ("Motion"). The Board ordered Ms. Dole to submit to the Board, in writing, such Motion with supporting arguments by December 18, 2013. The Department was ordered to file a response to the Motion by January 8, 2014.

Chair Bouffard allowed each party five minutes for oral argument. Jennifer Long, APRN Board Members who was not able to attend today's meeting was available via speaker telephone. Geraldine Marrocco moved to grant the Motion to Dismiss, which was seconded by Ellen Komar for discussion. The Board stated that they still have questions regarding certain circumstances and need this information in order to make a good judgement. Chair Bouffard asked for a vote. The outcome was that all Board Members were opposed, including Jennifer Long who was available via telephone. A new motion was raised by Gina Reiners to deny Ms. Dole's Motion to Dismiss. The motion was seconded by Carrie Simon and passed unanimously, including Jennifer Long via telephone. The hearing has been scheduled for February 5, 2014 at 9:00 AM at the Department of Public Health Complex.

## MOTION TO REOPEN HEARING – SECOND REQUEST - SAMANTHA COLBERT, LPN

Staff Attorney Linda Fazzina was present representing the Department of Public Health. Ms. Colbert was not present and did not have representation at this hearing. Board Member Jennifer Long was available via speaker telephone.

On November 20, 2013, the Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing (“the Board”) held a disciplinary hearing regarding Samantha Colbert’s (“Respondent”) Registered Nurse License No. 034897. Respondent failed to appear for the November 20, 2013 hearing. On November 21, 2013, Respondent submitted an electronic request to reopen the hearing in the above-referenced matter stating that she was unable to attend the November 20, 2013 hearing because her son had an accident at school and she had to meet him at the CT Children’s Medical Center. The Board granted Respondent’s request to reopen, and the hearing was rescheduled for 9:00 AM on December 18, 2013.

On December 18, 2013, Respondent failed to appear for the reopened hearing, despite sufficient notice. Thus, the Board reaffirmed its original findings and decision.

On December 19, 2013, Respondent submitted another electronic request to reopen the hearing stating that she was unable to attend the December 18, 2013 hearing because she was hospitalized from Tuesday, December 17 through Thursday, December 19, 2013, following a car accident.

On December 23, 2013, the Department filed an objection to Respondent’s second request to reopen the hearing.

Respondent’s December 19, 2013 request to reopen and reschedule the hearing would be considered and decided by the Board at its January 15, 2014 meeting 8:30 AM to be held at the Legislative Office Building, 300 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut in Conference Room 1-A.

The Board ordered the Respondent to provide the Board Office no later than January 10, 2014, proof of her son’s accident as referenced in her November 21, 2013 request to reopen, and proof of Respondent’s car accident, as referenced in her December 19, 2013 request to reopen. Proof to satisfy this order must include hospitalization reports for both Respondent and her son, the accident report from the son’s school, the Police Report of the Respondent’s car accident and/or hospital discharge summaries for both Respondent and her son.

Janice E. Wojick contacted Attorney Linda Fazzina on January 13, 2014. The Department has not had any communication or have they received any documentation from Ms. Colbert as referenced in the Board’s Order dated December 27, 2013. The deadline for receipt of the documentation requested was January 10, 2014. On the afternoon of January 14, 2014 the Board Office received via fax a two page document along with a cover sheet which was not readable. Ms. Colbert was e-mailed that the documents were not readable and that she should bring 10 copies to the Board Meeting on January 15, 2014.

On January 15, 2014, Respondent failed to appear for her request to reopen the hearing for the second time, despite sufficient notice. Jennifer Long moved, seconded by Ellen Komar, to deny Respondent’s request to reopen the hearing for the second time. The motion passed unanimously. Thus, the Board reaffirmed its original findings and decision of revocation at the November 19, 2013 hearing.

## ST. VINCENT’S COLLEGE – PERMANENT WAIVER REQUEST - ADETUTU OLOMOLA

Dr. Karen Barnett was present from the program to request a faculty education waiver.

Pamela Pelletier-Stevens apprised the Board that Ms. Olomola will be beginning her MSN at Sacred Heart University in March of this year with an anticipated graduation in December of 2015. Ms. Olomola currently has her BSN and her MPH.

Gina Reiners moved, seconded by Geraldine Marrocco, to grant the permanent waiver for Adetutu Olomola. The motion passed unanimously including Jennifer Long via speaker phone.

The Board would like to remind the program that permanent waivers are not portable from one institution to another institution. Permanent Waivers are granted for a specific program. If the person granted the permanent waiver leaves the institution in which he/she was granted the permanent waiver, the permanent waiver expires. If he/she seeks a permanent waiver in another institution, the new institution will have to petition the Board for a new permanent waiver.

#### ST. VINCENT'S COLLEGE – TEMPORARY WAIVER REQUEST – CECRYSTAL O. UMEUGO

Dr. Karen Barnett was present from the program to request a temporary faculty education waiver.

Pamela Pelletier-Stevens apprised the Board that Ms. Umeugo is currently enrolled at Sacred Heart University where she will receive her MSN in Nursing and her FNP in May of 2014. Ms. Umeugo currently has her BSN, RN, and JD.

Ellen Komar moved, seconded by Lisa Freeman, to grant the temporary waiver for Ms. Umeugo. The motion passed unanimously including Jennifer Long via speaker phone.

#### CONSENT ORDER – ADRIENNE DeLUCIA, RN

Staff Attorney Linda Fazzino was present for the Department. Ms. DeLucia was pro se. After discussion of the documents presented, Lisa Freeman moved to table the voting on the Consent Order as presented until the Board receives the additional documentation. The motion was seconded by Ellen Komar and passed unanimously, including Jennifer Long via telephone.

#### CONSENT ORDER – WILLIAM E. GILMOUR, JR., LPN

Staff Attorney Leslie Scoville was present for the Department. Mr. Gilmour was not present and did not have representation at this meeting. Jennifer Long (via telephone) moved to accept the Consent Order as written which will place Mr. Gilmour's license on probation for one year with the successful completion of coursework in documentation standards, pre-approved by the Department, along with employer reports. The motion was seconded by Gina Reiners and passed unanimously. Chair Bouffard signed the Consent Order which becomes effective February 1, 2014.

#### CONSENT ORDER – IMMACULADA MANGADO, RN

Staff Attorney Ellen M. Shanley was present for the Department. Ms. Mangado was not present and did not have representation at this meeting. Geraldine Marrocco moved to accept the Consent Order as presented which will place Ms. Mangado's license on probation for four years along with the successful completion of coursework in professional ethics, pre-approved by the Department, with the usual probationary parameters in place. The motion was seconded by Gina Reiners, and passed unanimously, including Jennifer Long via telephone. Chair Bouffard signed the Consent Order which becomes effective February 1, 2014.

#### MEMORANDUM OF DECISION – MEGAN REILLY, LPN

Janice E. Wojick presented the Board with a Memorandum of Decision for Megan Reilly. Ms. Reilly's license was revoked December 21, 2011. A Reinstatement Hearing was held before the Board on December 4, 2013 at which time it was the decision of the Board Members present to reinstate Ms. Reilly's license to probation for three years with the usual probationary parameters. Jennifer Long (via telephone) moved to affirm the Board's prior decision to reinstate Ms. Reilly's license to probation for three years. The motion was seconded by Lisa Freeman and passed unanimously. Chair Bouffard signed the Memorandum of Decision.

At 9:49 AM Jennifer Long was no longer available via telephone

HEARING – JACQUELINE SILVA, LPN

Hearing was scheduled and held on December 4, 2013. DPH Staff Attorney Ellen M. Shanley was present for the Department. Ms. Silva was not present and did not have representation at the hearing. Attorney Shanley advised the Board that Ms. Silva has been incarcerated at York Correctional in Niantic since September. Notice of Hearing, Summary Suspension Order, and the Statement of Charges were served in-hand to Ms. Silva via State Marshal. Ms. Silva has made no attempt to contact the Board Office or the Department to provide a response to the Statement of Charges, and, as mentioned above, does not have representation at this hearing. The Board ordered that the Department contact Ms. Silva and/or her prison counselor or someone who has direct contact with Ms. Silva to ascertain her intentions on answering these charges. Jennifer Long moved, which was seconded by Lisa Freeman, to close the hearing record for December 4, 2013 and to reopen the record at their January 15, 2014 meeting to allow Ms. Silva time to respond to the charges. The motion passed unanimously.

DPH Staff Attorney Ellen M. Shanley was present for the Department. Ms. Silva was not present and did not have representation at this hearing. Since the December 4, 2013 hearing, Ms. Silva was released from York Correctional with no forwarding address.

Attorney Shanley made an Oral Motion to Deem Allegations Admitted as Ms. Silva never provided the Department or the Board Office with an Answer to the Statement of Charges. Ellen Komar moved, which was seconded by Lisa Freeman, to grant to Motion to Deem Allegations Admitted. The motion passed unanimously.

Ellen Komar moved, seconded by Geraldine Marrocco, that Ms. Santo be found on all charges as they were deemed admitted. The motion passed unanimously.

Ellen Komar then moved that Ms. Silva's license be revoked. The motion was seconded by Lisa Freeman and passed unanimously.

Just an FYI – All Nursing Board Meetings from February 5, 2015 through and including May 7, 2014 will be held at the Department of Public Health Complex, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT in Conference Room 470-A/B at 8:30 AM.

The 2014 Legislative Session commences on February 5, 2014 and concludes on May 7, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

It was the unanimous decision of the Board Members present to adjourn this meeting at 10:10 AM.

Patricia C. Bouffard, Chair  
Board of Examiners for Nursing