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# Complaint Screening Committee REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

March 19, 2025

Held by Zoom

# **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular session of the Arizona Board of Psychologist Examiners Complaint Screening Committee was called to order by Chairman Dynar at 8:32 a.m. on March 19, 2025. Two executive sessions were held.

# 2. ROLL CALL

#### **Committee Members Present**

Aditya Dynar, Esq. – Chair Larry Sideman, Ph.D., ABPP Joseph Stewart, Ed.D.

## Attorney General's Office

Jeanne Galvin, Assistant Attorney General

## **Staff Present**

Heidi Paakkonen, Executive Director Jennifer Michaelsen, Deputy Director

# **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

#### a. January 22, 2025 Regular Session and Executive Session Minutes

Mr. Dynar recused from this item. Dr. Stewart made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sideman, to approve the minutes as drafted. The motion carried unanimously (2-0), by a voice vote.

## 4. CASE DISCUSSION/DECISION

#### a. Complaint No. 25-20, Adam Frose, Ph.D.

Dr. Stewart summarized the case, including salient information contained in the investigative record. The Complainant was not present. Dr. Frose was present with his attorney, Faren Akins, made a statement, and answered questions from the Committee. After deliberation, Dr. Sideman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Stewart, to dismiss this case, as there are no violations of rule or statute. The motion carried unanimously (3-0), by a voice vote.

## b. Complaint No. 25-17, Bethany Young, Ph.D.

Mr. Dynar summarized the case, including salient information contained in the investigative record. The Complainant was not present. Dr. Young was present with her attorney, Randall Nice,

made a statement, and answered questions from the Committee. After deliberation, Mr. Dynar made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sideman, to forward the complaint to the Board for further review with a recommendation that the Board consider issuing Dr. Young a nondisciplinary Letter of Concern. The motion included noting the following potential violations:

- A.R.S. § 32-2061(16)(g), engaging or offering to engage as a psychologist in activities not congruent with the psychologist's professional education, training and experience;
- A.R.S. § 32-2061(16)(dd), violating an ethical standard adopted by the Board as it pertains to the following sections of the American Psychological Association's Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct:
  - 2.04 Bases for Scientific and Professional Judgements
  - 9.01 Bases for Assessments
  - 9.06 Interpreting Assessment Results

The motion carried unanimously (3-0), by a voice vote.

#### c. Complaint No. 25-18, Mark Harvancik, Ed.D.

Dr. Sideman summarized the case, including salient information contained in the investigative record. The Complainant was present and made a statement.

At 9:26 a.m., Mr. Dynar made a motion, seconded by Dr. Stewart, to go into Executive Session to review confidential health information. Open session resumed at 9:39 a.m.

Upon resuming in open session, the Complainant made additional comments. Dr. Harvancik was present with his attorney, Mandi Karvis, made a statement, and answered questions.

After deliberation, Dr. Stewart made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sideman, to dismiss this case, as there are no violations of rule or statute. The motion carried unanimously (3-0), by a voice vote.

The Committee took a comfort break at 10:01 a.m. and resumed the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

## d. Complaint No. 25-19, Gabrielle Lawrence, Ph.D.

At 10:07 a.m., Mr. Dynar made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sideman, to go into Executive Session to receive confidential legal advice. Open session resumed at 10:12 a.m.

Upon resuming in open session, Dr. Sideman summarized the case, including salient information contained in the investigative record, noting that the Committee lacks jurisdiction to certain allegations contained within the complaint pursuant to the four-year time limit established by A.R.S. § 32-3224.

The Complainant was present and made a statement. Dr. Lawrence was present with her attorney, Artie Eaves, made a statement, and answered questions from the Committee.

After deliberation, Dr. Stewart made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sideman, to dismiss this case. The motion carried unanimously (3-0), by a voice vote.

#### e. Complaint No. 25-13, Marylene Goode, Psy.D.

Dr. Sideman summarized the complaint opened by the Board staff for investigation. Dr. Goode was present, made a statement, and answered questions from the Committee. After deliberation, Dr. Stewart made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sideman, to dismiss this case. The motion carried unanimously (3-0), by a voice vote.

# **5. ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Dynar announced the adjournment of the meeting at 10:56 a.m.