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Complaint Screening Committee REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

March 24, 2021

Held via Zoom

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular session of the Arizona Board of Psychologist Examiners Complaint Screening Committee was called to order by Madame Chair Shreeve at 8:30 a.m. on March 24, 2021.

2. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present

Tamara Shreeve, MPA – Chair
Stephen Gill, Ph.D.
Matthew A. Meier, Psy.D.

Attorney General's Office

Marc Harris, Assistant Attorney General

Staff Present

Heidi Herbst Paakkonen, Executive Director
Jennifer Michaelson, Deputy Director

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- February 17, 2021 Regular Session
- February 17, 2021 Executive Session

Dr. Gill made a motion, seconded by Dr. Meier, to approve the February 17, 2021 regular session and executive session minutes as drafted. The motion carried unanimously (3-0), by a voice vote.

4. CASE DISCUSSION/DECISION

a. Karlaye Rafindadi, Ph.D., Complaint No. 21-11

Dr. Gill summarized the case, including salient points of the investigation and pertinent records. The Complainant was not present. The Licensee participated, made a statement, and answered questions from the Committee.

At 8:46 a.m., Dr. Meier made a motion, seconded by Dr. Gill, to go into Executive Session to review

confidential records/information. Open session reconvened at 9:04 a.m.

Upon reconvening in open session, the Committee asked the Licensee additional questions.

The Committee expressed concern with regard to several aspects of the psychological evaluation that Dr. Rafindadi completed for the Complainant to include: errors and inconsistencies within the report, overall quality of the report, no summary of the results or recommendation in the report; and lack of supporting information for the diagnoses stated in the report.

Ms. Shreeve made a motion, seconded by Dr. Gill, to forward Complaint 21-11 to the Board with a recommendation to issue a non-disciplinary Letter of Concern and Order for Continuing Education that would require Dr. Rafindiadi to complete ten hours of continuing education that are in addition to the requirements for license renewal in the areas of psychological evaluations, report writing, and diagnosis. Possible violations include: 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; and A.R.S. §32-2061(16)(dd), violating an ethical standard adopted by the Board as it pertains to section 9.01 (Bases for Assessments) of the American Psychological Association's Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct. The motion carried unanimously (3-0), by a voice vote.

5. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Dr. Gill made a motion, seconded by Dr. Meier, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried (3-0) and the meeting was adjourned at 9:22 a.m.