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# Complaint Screening Committee REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Wednesday, April 11, 2018 1740 W. Adams St. Conference Room B (1st Floor) Phoenix, AZ 85007

### 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 8:34 a.m. on April 11, 2018.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

#### **Committee Members Present**

Tamara Shreeve, MPA – Chair Lynn Flowers, Ph.D. Frederick S. Wechsler, Ph.D., Psy.D., ABPP (cl)

#### **Staff Present**

Heather Broaddus, Deputy Director

#### **Attorney General's Office**

Marc Harris, Assistant Attorney General

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### • March 7, 2018, Regular and Executive Session

Dr. Flowers made a motion, seconded by Ms. Shreeve, to approve the March 7, 2018, regular and executive session minutes as drafted. The motion carried 3-0.

#### 4. CASE DISCUSSION/DECISION

#### a. Herbert Warner Complaint No. T-17-27

Ms. Shreeve summarized the case, including salient points of the investigation and pertinent records. The Complainant was submitted anonymously. The Respondent was present, made a statement and answered Committee members' questions. After deliberation, Ms. Shreeve made a motion, seconded by Dr. Flowers, to dismiss the complaint upon finding no violation of statute or rule. The motion carried unanimously (3-0), by a voice vote.

#### b. Connie Pyburn, Ph.D., Complaint No. 17-29

Dr. Wechsler summarized the case, including salient points of the investigation and pertinent records. The Complainant was present, made a statement and answered Committee members' questions. The Licensee and her attorney, Sean Quinn, Esq., were present, made statements, and answered Committee members' questions. Committee members expressed concern with Dr. Pyburn's practices and procedures, record keeping and possible multiple relationships in this case. Additionally, the Committee expressed concern that Dr. Pyburn does not have formal training in the area of forensics. After deliberation, Ms. Shreeve made a motion, seconded by Dr. Flowers to forward Complaint No. 17-29 to the Board for possible violation of A.R.S. §32-2061(16)(h) for possibly failing or refusing to maintain and retain adequate business, financial or professional records pertaining to the psychological services provided to a client or patient; A.R.S. §32-2061(16)(o) for possibly providing services that are unnecessary or unsafe or otherwise engaging in activities as a psychologist that are unprofessional by current standards of practice; A.R.S. §32-2061(16)(dd) for possibly violating an ethical standard adopted by the Board as it pertains to the American Psychological Association Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct 2.01 Boundaries of Competence; 2.03 Maintaining Competence; 3.05 Multiple Relationships. The motion carried 3-0.

#### c. Michael Epstein, Ph.D., Complaint No. 15-47

Dr. Flowers summarized the case, including salient points of the investigation and pertinent records. The Complainant was not present. The Licensee and his legal counsel, Jeff Carver, Esq., and Robert Chelle, Esq., were present, made statements and answered Committee members' questions. After deliberation, Dr. Flowers made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wechsler, to dismiss the complaint upon finding no violation of statute or rule. The motion carried unanimously (3-0), by a voice vote.

## d. Heidi Green, Psy.D., Complaint No. 17-25

Ms. Shreeve summarized the case, including salient points of the investigation and pertinent records. The Complainant was present, made a statement and answered Committee members' questions. The Licensee and her legal counsel, Natalya Ter-Grigoryan, Esq., were present, made statements and answered Committee members' questions. After deliberation, Ms. Shreeve made a motion, seconded by Dr. Flowers, to dismiss the complaint upon finding no violation of statute or rule. The motion carried unanimously (3-0), by a voice vote.

#### 5. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Dr. Flowers made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wechsler, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried (3-0) and the meeting was adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

Tamara Shreeve, MPA - Committee Chair	 Date