

1 **BEFORE THE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGIST EXAMINERS**
2 **FOR THE STATE OF ARIZONA**

3
4 IN THE MATTER OF:

Case No: 20-09

5 **RACHELE ELISA “BARRIE”**
6 **WAGNER, Psy.D.**

INTERIM FINDINGS OF FACT,
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND
ORDER FOR SUMMARY
SUSPENSION OF LICENSE

7 Holder of License No. 3269
8 for the Practice of Psychology
9 in the State of Arizona,

Respondent.

10 This matter came before the Arizona State Board of Psychologist Examiners
11 (“Board”) on October 23, 2019, at the Board’s meeting location at 1740 West Adams
12 Street, Conference Room B, Phoenix, Arizona at which time the Board convened and
13 considered the possible summary suspension of Rachele Elisa “Barrie” Wagner’s
14 (“Respondent”) license to practice psychology in the State of Arizona. Respondent was
15 properly noticed but did not appear.

16 **INTERIM FINDINGS OF FACT**

17 1. Respondent is a licensed psychologist in the State of Arizona, license number
18 3269. She has been licensed in Arizona since August 17, 1998.

19 2. On October 3, 2019, the Board received information from an anonymous person
20 alleging that Dr. Wagner had been admitted to a behavioral health facility pursuant to a
21 court-ordered evaluation.

22 3. Shabnam Sood, M.D., is the Inpatient Medical Director for Valleywise Behavioral
23 Health Center. On October 9, 2019, Dr. Sood sent written notification to the Board that
24 Respondent had been admitted to her facility (Mesa) for a court-ordered evaluation. She
25 further stated that based upon the professional opinion of Respondent’s treating
26 psychiatrist, Respondent is currently unsafe to practice psychology. The specifics of

1 Respondent's condition and the allegations supporting the court-ordered evaluation are
2 contained within the Board's files.

3 4. The Board finds that the above Interim Findings of Fact require emergency
4 action to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

5 **INTERIM CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

6 The Board has personal and subject matter jurisdiction in this case under A.R.S. §
7 32-2061 *et seq.*, and is authorized to summarily suspend any license based on emergent
8 conditions and circumstances under A.R.S. § 32-2081(I).

9 The conduct and circumstances alleged in the Interim Findings of Fact constitute a
10 violation of A.R.S. § 32-2061(16)(I), practicing psychology while impaired or
11 incapacitated to the extent and in a manner that jeopardizes the welfare of the client or
12 patient or renders the psychological services ineffective.

13 **FINDINGS OF EMERGENCY AND ORDER**

14 Based on the Interim Findings of Fact and the Interim Conclusions of Law as set
15 forth above, the Board finds that the public health, welfare and safety require emergency
16 action.

17 **NOW IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED** that License No. 3269 issued to Barrie
18 Wagner is hereby summarily suspended effective upon service of this Order.

19 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that such suspension shall remain in effect until
20 the conclusion of the formal hearing to be set in approximately thirty-five (35) days and a
21 final decision and order issued by the Board.

1 DATED this 23 day of October, 2019.

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3 ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF
PSYCHOLOGIST EXAMINERS

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6 Jennifer Michaelson
7 Interim Executive Director
8 Arizona State Board of Psychologist Examiners

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10 ORIGINAL filed

11 This 23 day of October, 2019 with:

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