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Complaint Screening Committee REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Wednesday, May 11, 2011

Capitol Center Building 15 S. 15th Ave. Basement Conference Room 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 Chairman, Dr. Wechsler, at 8:35 a.m. on May 11, 2011. One Executive Session was held.

2. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present

Frederick S. Wechsler, Psy.D., ABPP - Chairman Cheryl L. Karp, Ph.D. Joseph C. Donaldson

Staff Present

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3. CASE DISCUSSION/DECISION

a.) Brenda Bursch, Ph.D. RFI T-10-32

Dr. Wechsler summarized the case, including salient points of investigation and pertinent records. The complainant was present, requested to speak and made a statement. Two members of the public were present, Jennifer L. Kupiszewski, Esq. and Thomas Ryan, Esq., requested to speak and made brief statements. The licensee and the licensee's legal counsel, Larry Cohen, were present, requested to speak and made brief statements. The complainant answered Committee members' questions. The licensee and Mr. Cohen answered Committee members' questions. Dr. Wechsler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donaldson to move into executive session at 9:07am, public session resumed at 9:19am. After deliberation, Dr. Karp made a motion, seconded by Mr.

Donaldson to continue this case to a future Complaint Screening committee to obtain further information. The motion carried 2-0-1 with Dr. Wechsler abstaining.

b.) Eugene Cherry Ph.D., RFI 11-01

Dr. Karp summarized the case, including salient points of investigation and pertinent records. The licensee's legal counsel, Larry Cohen, and the Licensee were present, requested to speak and made brief statements. The Licensee and Mr. Cohen answered Committee members' questions. After deliberation, Dr. Karp made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donaldson, to refer this case to the full Board for further review and investigation for possible violations of A.R.S. §32-2061(13)(0) 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(13)(dd) for possibly violating an ethical standard adopted by the board by possibly entering into a multiple relationship and for possible lack of an informed consent. The motion carries 3-0.

c.) Irwin Grossman, Ph.D., RFI 11-02

Mr. Donaldson summarized the case, including salient points of investigation and pertinent records. The licensee's legal counsel, Larry Cohen, and the Licensee were present. Mr. Cohen requested to speak and made a brief statement. After deliberation, the Committee members found no evidence of violation of statute or rule by the licensee. Mr. Donaldson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Karp, to dismiss the case. The motion carried 3-0.

d.) John P. DiBacco, Ph.D., RFI 11-07

Mr. Donaldson summarized the case, including salient points of investigation and pertinent records. Neither the Licensee nor the Complainant were present. After deliberation, the Committee members found no evidence of violation of statute or rule by the licensee. Dr. Karp made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donaldson, to dismiss the case. The motion carried 3-0.

4. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Committee, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Donaldson, seconded by Dr. Karp, and unanimously carried 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:26 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,	
Frederick S. Wechsler, Psy.D.	Date