

MINUTES

**Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors
Robert E. Lee Building
239 North Lamar Street, Suite 402
Jackson, MS 39201**

**Special Called Emergency Teleconference Board Meeting
Friday, November 1, 2019
(Via Teleconference)**

Board Members Present

Dr. Richard Strebeck, Chair, Congressional District-At-Large
Dr. Lynn Etheridge, Congressional District II
Dr. Kimberly Elam Sallis, Vice Chair, Congressional District I
Steven Stafford, Secretary, Congressional District III

Board Members Absent

Congressional District 4 - Vacant

Others Present

Ken Walley, Board Attorney, Special Assistant Attorney General
LeeAnn Mordecai, Board Executive Director

I. Call to Order

The Special Called Board meeting of the Mississippi State Board of Examiners for Licensed Professional Counselors ("Board") was called to order at 12:17 p.m. by Dr. Richard Strebeck, Chair ("Chair") on Friday, November 1, 2019. The Special Called meeting was held via teleconference and the public could attend the meeting in the Robert E. Lee Building, 239 North Lamar Street, Suite 402, Jackson, Mississippi 39201. Connections were provided through Century Link Conferencing. A roll call of Board members was taken and a quorum participated. A determination vote for an Executive Session may be called at any time during the meeting.

II. Executive Session

It was motioned by Sallis, seconded by Etheridge, and unanimously agreed, that the Board consider a motion to close the meeting to determine the necessity of an Executive Session. The Board determined that an Executive Session was needed to discuss Complaint #2018-43 & 2018-44. (4-0-0)

It was motioned by Sallis, seconded by Stafford, and unanimously agreed that the Board exit the meeting and enter Executive Session. (4-0-0) The Board entered Executive Session at 12:20 p.m.

It was motioned by Stafford, seconded by Sallis, and unanimously agreed, to exit Executive Session and return to Regular Session. (4-0-0). The Board returned to Regular Session at 12:31 p.m.

Upon return to open session, the following was announced as actions taken while in Executive Session:

2018-43 - 2018-44

Board investigator, Etheridge, recommended to take no action on complaint 2018-43 and 2018-44 due to lack of evidence to meet clear and convincing standard to support complaint. It was motioned by Stafford, seconded by Strebeck, and unanimously agreed to accept recommendation to take no action on complaint 2018-43 and 2018-44. (4-0-1)

IX. Adjourn

It was motioned by Stafford, seconded by Etheridge, and unanimously agreed that the Board meeting adjourn. (4-0-0). The meeting was adjourned at 12:33 p.m. by Strebeck.

Approved this the 16th day of January, 2020.

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Board Chair

Board Member