# washington COURTS

# **Certified Professional Guardianship Board**

Monday, November 18, 2019 Teleconference 8:00 am – 9:00 am

# **Meeting Minutes**

#### **Members Present**

Judge Rachelle Anderson Ms. Rosslyn Bethmann Judge Grant Blinn Ms. Rita Forster Ms. Amanda Froh

Commissioner Diana Kiesel

Ms. Lisa Malpass Dr. K. Penney Sanders Mr. Dan Smerken Ms. Amanda Witthauer Dr. Rachel Wrenn

#### **Members Absent**

Judge Robert Lewis

Ms. Susan (Susie) Starrfield

### Staff

Ms. Stacey Johnson Ms. Kathy Bowman Mr. Christopher Fournier Ms. Jennifer Holderman

Ms. Kay King Ms. Carla Montejo Ms. Kim Rood Ms. Eileen Schock

#### **Guests**

Mr. Ramsey Radwan Mr. Chris Neil (online) Ms. Karen Newland (online)

#### 1. Meeting Called to Order

Judge Rachelle Anderson called the November 18, 2019 Certified Professional Guardianship Board Teleconference to order at 8:00 am.

#### 2. Roll Call, Approval of Minutes

Roll was taken and Judge Anderson welcomed those present telephonically.

Dr. Sanders requested the October 14, 2019 CPG Board meeting minutes be corrected to reflect her presence.

Due to a technical issue, not all Board members were able to review the minutes of the October 14, 2019 meeting. The minutes were subsequently approved, as corrected, via email.

#### 3. Chair's Report

Judge Anderson asked Ms. Johnson to provide an update on the status of the Uniform Guardianship, Conservatorship, and other Protective Arrangements Act (UGA). Ms. Johnson reported working with Judge VanDornick on portions of Article 2 of the UGA, and the SCJA is also working on making changes. A draft version of the proposed trailer bill has been received, and this must be quickly reviewed in preparation for two upcoming legislative meetings. A copy of the trailer document will be forwarded to Judge Anderson and members of the committee.

#### 4. Guardian Grievance Status Update

Ms. Montejo reported there were nine (9) new grievances received and 14 grievances closed during the month of October. Sixty-eight (68) grievances remain open for investigation. Two separate matters are currently in Hearing status and three cases were recently considered by an ad hoc conflicts review committee. Judge Anderson acknowledged the guardian grievance investigators for their work addressing the backlog of open cases.

# 5. Regulations Committee Update

Ms. King announced the reactivation of the Regulations Committee and described the minimum timeline for regulation adoption in accordance with required Board notice and meeting procedures, as well as complicating factors. The Committee will consider its plan for accomplishing the necessary work due to the UGA's scheduled effective date of January 1, 2021 and priorities at the first meeting of the committee, set for Tuesday, November 26.

### 6. Executive Session (Closed to the Public)

# 7. Reconvene and Vote on Executive Session Discussion (Open to the Public)

On behalf of the Applications Committee, Judge Anderson presented the following applications for Certified Professional Guardian. Members of the Application Committee abstained.

Motion: A motion was made and seconded to conditionally approve Cynthia Chenot

Potter's application for certification, upon completion of the UW Certification Program, with transferrable skills in health care and social services. The motion

passed.

Motion A motion was made and seconded to deny Tracy Bauhs' application for

certification, due to the lack of demonstrated experience in decision making on

behalf of others. The motion passed.

On behalf of the Education Committee, Mr. Fournier presented the following recommendations for decertification for non-compliance with the Board's Continuing Education Regulations. Members of the Education Committee abstained.

Motion: A motion was made and seconded to decertify Lecion Brogan for non-

compliance with continued education requirements. The motion passed.

Motion: A motion was made and seconded to decertify Gordon Ellison-Oslin for non-

compliance with continued education requirements. The motion passed.

# 8. Wrap Up/Adjourn

Changes to the Uniform Guardianship Act are still in work, and committee members are encouraged to contact Ms. Johnson with any concerns. The next CPG Board meeting will be held in person on January 13, 2019 at the Sea-Tac office. With no other business to discuss, Judge Anderson adjourned the meeting at 8:46 am.

Motion Summary	Status
The October 14, 2019 Certified Professional Guardianship Board Meeting minutes were approved, as corrected, via email. The motion passed.	Passed
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A motion was made and seconded to deny Tracy Bauhs' application for certification, due to the lack of demonstrated experience in decision making on behalf of others. The motion passed.	Passed
A motion was made and seconded to decertify Lecion Brogan for non-compliance with continuing education requirements. The motion passed.	Passed
A motion was made and seconded to decertify Gordon Ellison-Oslin for non-compliance with continuing education requirements. The motion passed.	Passed