

**THE CERTIFIED PSYCHOANALYSTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**124 HALSEY STREET, NEWARK, NJ 07101**  
**SUSSEX CONFERENCE ROOM, 6<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR**  
**9:30AM JUNE 27, 2018**

**PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES**

**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 9:58 a.m. in the Hunterdon Conference Room, 6th floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey by the Committee Chair Dr. Patricia Harte Bratt.

**II. ROLL CALL:**

**Present:**

Patricia Harte Bratt, Ph.D (Chair) (by telephone)

Vicki G. Semel, Psy.D. (Secretary)

Roland Alum (Public Member) (Vice Chair)

**Absent:**

Delores Johnson, M.D., (Public Member)

Tobey Palan, Deputy Attorney General

J. Michael Walker, Executive Director

Indira Nuñez, Government Representative, Division of Consumer Affairs

Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst

Lucy Smith, DOL Intern

**Announcement of Quorum**

The meeting was opened by Chair Patricia Harte Bratt at 9:58 a.m. who read the following:

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing to the Office of the Secretary of State, The Newark Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Record and The Courier Post.

**III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

DAG Palan introduced Lucy Smith who is a student intern in the Division of Law.

Executive Director Walker announced that he is retiring as of August 1, 2018.

*Upon motion by Mr. Alum, seconded by Dr. Semel, the Committee voted to thank Dr. Walker for his years of service and wish him well in his retirement. Voting in favor: all.*

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

*No members of the public were present.*

**V. TELEHEALTH LAW**

The Committee reviewed the new law and its applicability to psychoanalysts with DAG Palan. Regulatory Analyst Charles Manning reviewed suggested additions to the regulations concerning telehealth/telemedicine. The Board reviewed proposals through 8.5 of the regulations. The reviewed of proposed regulations will continue at the next meeting.

**VI. LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS**

The Board reviewed Senate Bill No. 2672 concerning banning the administration of electroconvulsive therapy minors and senior citizens. The Committee registered its opposition to the bill because it is not based upon the latest research and practice of electroconvulsive therapy.

The Committee also reviewed Assembly bill No. 1181 which is now law and requires firearms seizure when certain health care professionals determine that a patient poses a threat to self or others. The Committee recognized that State Certified Psychoanalysts are not included in the law.

**VII. APPROVED FOR CERTIFICATION**

none

**VIII. READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Dr. Walker read the minutes of the June 27, 2018 meeting and upon motion by Dr. Semel, seconded by Mr. Alum, the minutes were approved as read. Voting in favor: all.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Dr. Semel, seconded by Mr. Alum, the Committee voted to adjourn at 11:51 a.m. Voting in favor: all.

**X. MEETING DATES:**

July 25, 2018 (phone)  
August 22, 2018  
September 5, 2018  
October 3, 2018  
November 28, 2018  
December 19, 2018