

**Supreme Court Board of Certified Reporters**  
Arizona State Courts Building  
1501 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007  
Conference Room CLD-1

May 14, 2007  
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Approved Regular Meeting Minutes**

**MEMBER ATTENDANCE**

***Present:***

Judge Lawrence Winthrop

***Telephonically Present:***

Sandra Markham, Chair

Jean Lea

Kathleen Montalvo

Patricia Seguin

Allen Sonntag

Terri Faust

***Absent:***

None

**OTHER ATTENDEES**

***AOC Staff:***

Kandace French

Kimberly Siddall

Rhonda Simmons

Nancy Swetnam

Linda Grau

***Guests:***

None

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**CALL TO ORDER**

***Called to Order By:***

Chair Sandra Markham

***Time:***

12:12 p.m.

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**1) REVIEW OF PENDING COMPLAINTS**

***Individual Addressing the Board:*** Nancy Swetnam

***1-A: Review, discussion and possible action regarding pending formal disciplinary actions involving former certified report Rhonda Thacker and complaint numbers 05-C005, 05-C008 and 05-C015.***

***Discussion:*** Staff provided the Board with status of the action and Ms. Thacker's failure to respond to the Formal Statement of Charges.

***Motion:*** Board entered a Final Order in these matters and directed Staff to prepare the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Final Order for the Acting Chair's signature on behalf of the full Board.

***Motion Proposals:*** First Judge Winthrop  
Second Allen Sonntag

***Motion Results:*** Pass **BCCR-07-049**  
Fail  
Recusals Sandra Markham

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***1-B: Review, discussion and possible action regarding pending formal disciplinary actions involving former certified reporter Donald Thacker and complaint numbers 05-C004, 05-C008 and 05-C015.***

***Individuals Addressing the Board:*** Kandace French and Nancy Swetnam

***Discussion:*** Staff advised the Board Mr. Thacker missed the deadline for the Consent Agreement and recommended Consent Agreement be withdrawn and allow Staff to move forward with the pending formal disciplinary action. Mr. Thacker will be required to file an Answer to the Formal Statement of Charges.

**Motion:** Board directed Staff to withdraw the Consent Agreement and prepare the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Final Order for the Chair's signature on behalf of the full Board.

**Motion Proposals:** First Judge Winthrop  
Second Kathy Montalvo

**Motion Results:** Pass **BCCR-07-050**  
Fail  
Recusals Sandra Markham

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**1-C: Review, discussion and possible action regarding pending formal disciplinary action involving certificate holder Royce Conner and complaint numbers 05-C005 and 05-C014.**

**Individuals Addressing the Board:** Nancy Swetnam

**Discussion:** Mr. Conner failed to respond or return the signed Consent Agreement by the deadline of May 10, 2007.

**Motion:** Withdraw the offered Consent Agreement and authorize Chair to sign Notice of Formal Charges on behalf of the full Board.

**Motion Proposals:** First Judge Winthrop  
Second Kathy Montalvo

**Motion Results:** Pass **BCCR-07-051**  
Fail  
Recusals

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## **2) CERTIFICATION AND ELIGIBILITY**

**Individuals Addressing the Board:** Kimberly Siddall

**2-A: Review, discussion and possible action regarding pending applications for Initial Standard Certification.**

**Michael Haley**

**Discussion:** Staff recommended the Board deny Mr. Haley's application pursuant to ACJA 7-201(E)(2)(c)(2)(b)(xii) for violation of a court order or, in the alternative, consider entering into a Consent Agreement to include five additional hours of continuing education

in the area of professionalism; be subject to possible disciplinary action if Mr. Haley fails to timely file transcripts prior to the date of renewal of certification, and other terms as the Board deems appropriate.

**Motion:** Staff prepare a Consent Agreement for review and signature pursuant to Staff recommendations of five additional hours of continuing education and possible disciplinary action if Mr. Haley fails to file transcripts timely prior to renewal of his certification.

**Motion Proposals:** First Judge Winthrop  
Second Jean Lea

**Motion Results:** Pass **BCCR-07-052**  
Fail  
Recusals

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**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

**No Public Present**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Meeting be adjourned

**Motion Proposals:** First Judge Winthrop  
Second Jean Lea  
Opposed

**Motion Results:** Pass **BCCR-07-053**  
Fail

**Time:** 12:26 p.m.

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