

**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS  
MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2008  
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES**

The general meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Psychological Examiners was held at the Board office, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M.

**PRESENT:**

Loretto A. Brickfield, Ph.D., Vice Chair  
Alan M. Groveman, Ph.D., Secretary  
Patricia A. Farrell, Ph.D.  
Evelyn A. Orozco, Ph.D.  
T. Stephen Patterson, Ph.D., Government Member  
Kenneth G. Roy, Ed.D.

**ABSENT:**

Nancy E. Friedman, Ph.D., Chair

**ALSO ATTENDING:**

J. Michael Walker, Executive Director  
Carmen A. Rodriguez, Deputy Attorney General, Counsel to Board  
Wanda Ginn, Administrative Staff

**REVIEW OF MINUTES:**

Upon motion made by Dr. Groveman and seconded by Dr. Orozco, the Board approved the public session minutes of June 2, 2008, with corrections. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

**CLOSED SESSION AND RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

Upon unanimous vote of all members present, the Board went into closed session for discussion of the oral examinations. The Board returned to open session.

**CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT:**

**TEMPORARY PERMIT–NOT TO EXCEED THREE-YEARS**

The following candidates were unanimously approved for a one-year temporary permit for the supervised practice of psychology:

Coleen Vanderbeer, Psy.D.  
Susanna Carew, Psy.D.  
Brian Eig, Psy.D.  
David Angelone, Ph.D.  
Shulamit Sandler, Psy.D.  
Jerri Will, Ph.D.  
Sheryl Berardinelli, Psy.D.  
Steven Hertler, Psy.D.  
Jennifer Bahadurian, Ph.D.

**TEMPORARY PERMIT–NOT TO EXCEED ONE YEAR**

The following candidates were unanimously approved for a three-year temporary permit for the unsupervised practice of psychology:

Steven Johnston, Psy.D.  
Elizabeth Sharples, Ph.D.  
Ann Niles, Psy.D.  
Jerrold Surasky, Ph.D.  
Daniel Cukor, Ph.D.  
Naomi Jones, Ph.D.

#### LICENSED BY EXAMINATION

Upon motion made by Dr. Roy and seconded by Dr. Orozco, the following candidates qualified for licensure. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Jennifer E. Spring, Psy.D.  
Lawrence Decker, Ph.D.  
Robert A. Prentky, Ph.D.  
Stacey L. Spencer, Ed.D.  
Catherine Stanzione, Psy.D.  
Susan J. Creange, Ph.D.  
Maria G. Martone, Psy.D.  
Leora Heckelman, Ph.D.  
David S. Kreiss, Psy.D.  
Suzanne Porreca, Psy.D.  
Jill M. Richards, Psy.D.  
Nancy B. Melendez, Ed.D.  
Michelle McCoy Barrett, Ph.D.  
Megan E. Laabs, Psy.D.  
Stephen Glicksman, Ph.D.  
Ann Houston, Ph.D.  
Rachel A. Kandel, Ph.D.  
Marina Gelfand, Ph.D.  
Sandra Carlisle, Psy.D.  
Howard Becker, Psy.D.  
Robert Zambrano, Psy.D.  
Lisabeth Gertner, Ph.D.  
Sharona C. Benoff, Psy.D.

#### DEFERRAL OF ORAL EXAMINATION

Upon motion made by Dr. Roy and seconded by Dr. Groveman, the Board voted to defer final consideration of the oral examination of the following candidate pending submission and approval of two (2) papers, the first outlining the information a psychologist can share with third-party payors (insurance company) under the Act Concerning the Disclosure of Patient Information by Psychologists (a.k.a. New Jersey Peer Review Law); the second, understanding of psychologist-patient privilege and "duty to warn" requirements.

Robert J. Villanella, Ph.D.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Erika January, Ph.D., TP #043-464

Dr. January wrote requesting a one-year extension of her three-year supervised temporary permit which

expired on June 21, 2008. Dr. January stated that she has not accrued the required hours to be eligible to take the E.P.P.P. written examination because she works part time and took a six-month maternity leave. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Orozco, the Board voted to extend Dr. January's temporary permit for an additional year. Dr. January was advised that her permit will now expire on June 21, 2009. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Maureen J. Solow, Psy.D., TP #081-A366

Dr. Solow wrote requesting an extension of the 90-day limit to submit her work sample for the oral examination. Dr. Solow stated that due to an escalation of family responsibilities and continuing work demands, she missed her deadline date for submission of her work sample. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Orozco, the Board voted to grant Dr. Solow an additional 90 days to submit her work sample. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Subsequent to her letter, Dr. Solow's work sample was received on July 16, 2008.

Nehama Barouk, Psy.D., TP #053-567

Dr. Barouk wrote requesting a one-year extension of her three-year supervised temporary permit which expired on May 6, 2008. Dr. Barouk stated that her permit supervisor was in possession of her "Notice of Temporary Permit;" therefore, she was not aware of the expiration date. Dr. Barouk further stated that she accepts full responsibility for this oversight. However, she had other personal matters involving the birth of her first granddaughter. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Orozco, the Board voted to extend Dr. Barouk's temporary permit for an additional year contingent upon her taking the E.P.P.P. written examination on or before January 31, 2009. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Jami F. Young, Ph.D.

Dr. Young wrote requesting an extension of the 90-day limit to submit her work sample for the oral examination. Dr. Young stated that she does not have a current work sample to submit in partial fulfillment for the oral examination. Dr. Young further stated that for the past seven (7) years she has been conducting clinical research on interventions for adolescent depression at Columbia University. Specifically, she has been developing a school-based preventive intervention for adolescents with elevated symptoms of depression that is based on interpersonal psychotherapy for depressed adolescents (IPT-A). Dr. Young offered, in keeping with the board requirements, to present one of two randomized controlled trials of the programs as partial fulfillment for the oral examination. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Roy, the Board voted to inform Dr. Young that submission of either a program development or therapy case would be acceptable. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Tamara Latawiec, Psy.D.

Dr. Latawiec wrote requesting clarification of N.J.A.C. 13:42-8.2, concerning the "use of personal or other computer to prepare client records." Dr. Latawiec had specific questions with regard to write-protecting files and what would qualify as a "confidential personal code" regarding the "signing" of client records. Upon motion made by Dr. Orozco and seconded by Dr. Farrell, the Board voted to inform Dr. Lawawiec that it's their understanding that there are commercial programs available that meet the Board's requirements for a confidential personal code. That code restricts access to files once they have been signed. Access to files is not the only issue, but also the prevention of changes in any manner. The program would also be required to record dates and times automatically and automatically prepare a backup copy of the file. The Board further advised Dr. Lawawiec to contact the American Psychological Association for recommendations. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

William T. Boyd, Jr., Psy.D., TP #053-589

Dr. Boyd wrote requesting an extension of his three-year supervised temporary permit which expires on

July 7, 2008. Dr. Boyd stated that an extension of his temporary permit would allow him to accrue his final supervision hours to take the E.P.P.P. written examination and the oral examination. Additional information submitted by Dr. Boyd now states that he has since completed his supervision hours and has taken and passed the E.P.P.P. written examination and is licensed as a psychologist in Iowa and Illinois. Dr. Boyd is now requesting the issuance of a one-year unsupervised temporary permit. Upon motion made by Dr. Groveman and seconded by Dr. Orozco, the Board voted to issue Dr. Boyd a one-year unsupervised temporary permit. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Jennifer Carlin-Mathis, Ph.D., TP #081-A362

Dr. Carlin-Mathis wrote requesting an extension of the 90-day limit to submit her work sample for the oral examination. Dr. Carlin-Mathis stated that changes in her child care arrangements and an increased work schedule did not allow her enough time to prepare her work sample. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Orozco, the Board voted to grant Dr. Carlin-Mathis an additional 90 days to submit her work sample. Dr. Carlin-Mathis was informed that her work sample is now due in the Board office on or before October 15, 2007. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Melisa A. Arrieta, Psy.D., TP #043-476

Dr. Arrieta wrote requesting an extension of her three-year supervised temporary permit that expired on August 4, 2007 under the supervision of David Perry, Ph.D. Dr. Arrieta stated that she was admitted to take the E.P.P.P. written exam on December 22, 2005; however, she had been out of work due to pregnancy complications and subsequent maternity and family leave. Dr. Arrieta further stated that she is currently working for UMDNJ Department of Corrections at South Woods State Prison, an exempt facility. In February 2008, Dr. Arrieta has since transferred to an inpatient unit in the same prison. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Orozco, the Board voted to extend Dr. Arrieta's expired three-year temporary permit for one additional year, when reinstated, contingent upon her taking the E.P.P.P. written examination on or before February 28, 2009. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Janet Sotomayor, Ph.D., TP #071-A344 (inactive)

Dr. Sotomayor wrote requesting an extension of the 90-day limit to submit her work sample for the oral examination. Dr. Sotomayor stated that she had returned to work part time on February 2008 after being out on maternity leave for about 20 months. Dr. Sotomayor further stated that it has taken longer than she expected to build a quality caseload. Upon motion made by Dr. Roy and seconded by Dr. Farrell, the Board voted to grant Dr. Sotomayor an additional 90 days to submit her work sample. Dr. Sotomayor was advised that her work sample will now be due on or before October 2, 2008. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Cynthia Klein, Ph.D.

Dr. Klein wrote requesting an extension of the 90-day limit to submit her work sample for the oral examination. Dr. Klein stated that since submitting her application for licensure, she purchased a home in New Jersey. Dr. Klein further stated that the purchase process was very time consuming and has taken away from the time she hoped to spend on preparing her work sample. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Orozco, the Board voted to grant Dr. Klein an additional 90 days to submit her work sample. Dr. Klein was advised that her work sample will now be due on or before October 28, 2008. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Steven A. Roth, Psy.D.

Dr. Roth wrote requesting an extension of the 90-day limit to submit his work sample for the oral examination. Dr. Roth stated that he has completed the draft of his work sample and would like to review it with his supervisor, who is currently on vacation. Dr. Roth further stated that the additional time would allow him to review the draft with his supervisor upon his return from vacation. Upon motion made by Dr. Groveman and seconded by Dr. Orozco, the Board voted to grant Dr. Roth an additional 90 days to submit

his work sample. Dr. Roth was advised that his work sample will now be due on or before November 6, 2008. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Jouhaina Razzouk, Psy.D., TP #043-517

Dr. Razzouk wrote requesting an extension of her three-year supervised temporary permit that expires on December 3, 2008. Dr. Razzouk stated that she is still employed with UMDNJ working as a mental health clinician. Dr. Razzouk further stated that personal circumstances have detained her from taking the E.P.P.P. on or before February 28, 2009. Upon motion by Dr. Groveman and seconded by Dr. Orozco, Dr. Razzouk will be advised that her permit will now expire on December 3, 2009. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Vanessa Martiny, Psy.D., TP #053-549 (inactive)

Dr. Martiny wrote requesting a one-year extension of her inactive three-year supervised temporary permit. Dr. Martiny stated that she completed the required supervision hours and has taken and failed the E.P.P.P. written examination. Dr. Martiny further stated that she currently works full-time at North Jersey Developmental Center, an exempt setting. Dr. Martiny is currently trying to secure a proposed supervisor in order to reinstate her temporary permit. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Orozco, the Board voted to extend Dr. Martiny's temporary permit for an additional year, when reinstated, contingent upon re-taking the E.P.P.P. on or before January 31, 2009. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Anna Kress, Psy.D., TP #053-623

Dr. Kress wrote requesting an extension of her three-year supervised temporary permit that will expire on October 31, 2008. Dr. Kress stated that for the past year she has been caring for her newborn daughter and has not been practicing in any capacity. Dr. Kress further stated that she has completed her supervision hours and has yet to take the E.P.P.P. written examination but can not do so by October 2008. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Orozco, the Board voted to extend Dr. Kress' temporary permit for an additional year contingent upon her taking the E.P.P.P. written examination on or before February 28, 2009. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

New Jersey Psychological Association (NJPA)

NJPA wrote requesting an opinion from the Board with regard to N.J.A.C. 13:42-8.6 (a) which gives a patient who is 14 years of age, but has not yet reached the age of majority, the right to sign authorizations in addition to a parent or legal guardian. NJPA stated that questions have been raised as to whether the regulation applies to all authorizations across the board or only those circumstances where the peer review law applies. Upon motion made by Dr. Orozco and seconded by Dr. Groveman, the Board voted to table its response until Board Counsel has time to look more closely at N.J.S.A. 45:14B-38. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Francis McGovern, Ph.D., #2523

Dr. McGovern, senior psychologist at Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital, wrote requesting that he be permitted to supervise more than three (3) permit holders at one time. Dr. McGovern stated he would be providing the additional permit holder in question with group supervision, which would occur for a minimum of 2-3 hours a week. Upon motion made by Dr. Roy and seconded by Dr. Orozco, the Board determined that Dr. McGovern has shown good cause and approved his request to take on a fourth permit holder. Dr. McGovern was advised that, upon receipt of all the required paperwork and fee, both he and the permit holder would receive authorization to begin supervision. However, Dr. McGovern was further advised that the permit holder's supervision hours can not be retroactively approved. Voting in favor of the motion: Drs. Roy, Brickfield, Groveman, Orozco and Farrell. Dr. Patterson recused.

Cathy Novaky, Ph.D.

Dr. Novaky wrote requesting the earliest possible appointment to take her oral examination. Dr. Novaky's work sample was received on June 25, 2008. Upon motion made by Dr. Groveman and seconded by Dr. Roy, the Board voted to inform Dr. Novaky that it recognizes that she elected to be called upon a short notice if there is a cancellation. Dr. Novaky was further advised that being on that list guarantees the earliest possible appointment. The Board is working as quickly as possible to ensure that all candidates are examined and treated fairly. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Jerrold Surasky, Ph.D.

Dr. Surasky wrote requesting the earliest possible appointment to take his oral examination. Dr. Surasky's work sample was received on July 23, 2008. Upon motion made by Dr. Groveman and seconded by Dr. Farrell, the Board voted to inform Dr. Surasky that it recognizes that he elected to be called upon a short notice if there is a cancellation. Dr. Surasky was further advised that being on that list guarantees the earliest possible appointment. The Board is working as quickly as possible to ensure that all candidates are examined and treated fairly. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Amy L. Kavanaugh, Ph.D., TP #033-351

Dr. Kavanaugh wrote requesting an extension of her three-year supervised temporary permit that expired on June 24, 2008. Dr. Kavanaugh stated that she has completed all requirements for licensure with the exception of the oral examination. Dr. Kavanaugh further stated that she and her supervisor have identified a treatment case that is appropriate to submit for the oral examination. However, the case is currently in process of termination. She has been working hard on her work sample and is actively writing and doing further literature review at this time. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Orozco, the Board voted to extend Dr. Kavanaugh's temporary permit for an additional year contingent upon submission of her work sample on or before December 31, 2008. Dr. Kavanaugh was advised that her temporary permit will now expire on June 24, 2009. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards

The Board reviewed the open session minutes of Thursday, April 10, 2008 from the Board of Directors Meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia. The Board accepted the minutes as informational.

Scott A. Roth, Psy.D., TP #063-703

Dr. Roth wrote requesting guidance from the Board concerning his former permit supervisor, Andrew Lester, Ph.D., who has not completed the Board's documentation of supervised experience form. Dr. Roth stated that he has left multiple messages for Dr. Lester on his voice mail and never received a returned call. He later followed with three (3) separate letters requesting that he complete the form and return it to the Board office. Upon motion made by Dr. Roy and seconded by Dr. Farrell, the Board voted to inform Dr. Roth that it will send a letter to Dr. Lester reminding him of his responsibility pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:42-4.4 (c) to submit supervision forms and giving him a deadline of September 4, 2008 to submit the form. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

New Jersey Psychological Association (NJPA)

NJPA says questions have been raised whether a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) can obtain supervision by a licensed psychologist in order to count post-doctoral hours toward their psychology licensure. Can an LPC count hours accumulated under his or her LPC license toward licensure as a psychologist? Upon motion made by Dr. Roy and seconded by Dr. Farrell, the Board voted to inform NJPA that LPCs who apply for licensure as practicing psychologists can not use their private practice patients to meet the Board's supervision requirement. An LPC must obtain a board approved supervisor and obtain a supervised temporary permit before accruing post-doctoral hours. LPCs working in a school setting can obtain outside supervision, only if they can work it out with the school. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Samuel A. Feldman, Ph.D., President, International College of Professional Psychology

Dr. Feldman is requesting that the Board reconsider granting ICPP the same standing, recognition, acceptance, approval and privileges granted to other entities concerning the determination of license mobility and continuing education provider approval. Dr. Feldman further informed the Board that ICPP has been approved by the Florida State Board of Psychology as an approved speciality certifying body. Dr. Feldman was previously asked to submit for the Board's review written documentation concerning the requirements and process for being granted a Diplomate from the Internal College of Professional Psychology. This documentation was never received. Upon motion made by Dr. Orozco and seconded by Dr. Groveman, the Board voted to request the information again, as well as copies of the formation documents for the organization. The Board is requesting that the documentation be submitted to the Board office before they make an appearance before the Board at the next meeting scheduled for September 8, 2008. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

#### REPORT ON PERMIT CONFERENCES HELD ON 8/4/08-ROY/GROVEMAN

William Schiff, Psy.D., TP#053-603/Brett Prince, Ph.D., supervisor (present)

Dr. Schiff failed his oral examination on April 8, 2008 and is currently working under a three-year supervised temporary permit that expires on August 24, 2008. Upon motion made by Dr. Orozco and seconded by Dr. Farrell, the Board voted to extend Dr. Schiff's temporary permit for an additional year expiring on August 24, 2009. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Gerald Voelbel, Ph.D./Kenneth Kutner, Ph.D. & John DeLuca, Ph.D., supervisors (present)

Dr. Voelbel failed the E.P.P.P. written examination administered on June 25, 2008 and is currently working under a three-year supervised temporary permit that expires on March 14, 2009. Upon motion made by Dr. Farrell and seconded by Dr. Patterson, the Board voted to extend Dr. Voelbel's temporary permit for an additional year expiring on March 14, 2010 contingent upon taking the E.P.P.P. on or before February 28, 2009. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

##### Regulation Committee

The Board reviewed regulations N.J.A.C. 13:42-1.1 et seq. which will sunset on March 12, 2009 with Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst .

#### PUBLIC DISCIPLINARY MATTERS:

I/M/O Jack Goralsky, Psy.D., #1285

The Board reviewed two (2) letters from Steven Tobias, Psy.D., concerning his supervision of Dr. Goralsky covering the periods of September 2007 through December 2007 and January 2008 to present. The Board noted that the Consent Order signed by Dr. Goralsky and filed with the Board specifically provided "for a minimum period of six (6) months following the entry of the within Order, respondent shall practice only under the supervision of a New Jersey licensed psychologist approved by the Board." Upon motion made by Dr. Orozco and seconded by Dr. Patterson, the Board directed Executive Director Walker to send Dr. Tobias a letter stating that it considers the report of his supervision of Dr. Goralsky premature since the Board was not given the opportunity to approve him as the supervisor for Dr. Goralsky's practice. Additionally, the Board requested a current copy of Dr. Tobias' curriculum vitae and requested that he inform the Board as to whether he has had prior relationships with Dr. Goralsky. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

I/M/O Irit V. Felsen, Ph.D., #3756

The Board reviewed a final report from Ronald Zirin, Ph.D., Dr. Felsen's approved therapist, and a final report from Rosalind Dorlen, Psy.D., Dr. Felsen's Board approved supervisor, which indicate that Dr. Felsen has satisfied the requirements of the Consent Order filed by the Board on July 2, 2007. Upon motion made by Dr. Groveman and seconded by Dr. Roy, the Board voted that Dr. Felsen has satisfied all of the terms of the Consent order and may return to unsupervised practice. In addition, the Board voted to send letters to Dr. Dorlen and Dr. Zirin thanking them for their diligence. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

I/M/O Geroge W. Ackley, Ph.D., #3028

The Board reviewed a letter submitted by Dr. Ackley's attorney, Richard Amdur, Esq., enclosing the signed Consent Order along with a request seeking approval of two (2) supervisors, David London, Ph.D. and Richard Cohen, MA. Upon motion made by Dr. Roy and seconded by Dr. Groveman, the Board voted to deny Mr. Cohen as a supervisor and requested that Dr. London submit a current copy of his curriculum vitae and requested that he inform the Board as to whether he has had prior relationships with Dr. Ackley. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Respectfully submitted,

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Alan M. Groveman, Ph.D.  
Secretary

APPROVED BY:

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Date: Loretto A. Brickfield, Ph.D.  
Vice Chair