Minutes of the South Carolina Board of Accountancy Monday, March 10, 2003, at 8:00 A.M. by Conference Call

H. McRoy Skipper, Jr., Chairman, called the meeting of the South Carolina Board of Accountancy to order at 8:00 a.m. with a quorum present. Other Board members on the conference call: Debra A. Turner, Vice-Chairman, Charles L. Talbert, III, Secretary-Treasurer, K. Brodie Brigman, Jr., Joseph S. Cone, Robert T. Foster, Jamison W. Hinds, and Malcolm N. Robinson.

Staff members participating in the conference call included: Doris Cubitt, Administrator, Sharon Dantzler, Deputy General Counsel, LLR-Office of General Counsel, and Margery McWhorter, Administrative Assistant.

The Chairman announced the meeting was being held in accordance with section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom on Information Act by notice mailed to The State Newspaper, Associated Press, WIS-TV and all other requesting persons, organizations, or news media. In addition, notice was posted on the bulletin board at the main entrance of the Kingstree Building.

- 1. Based on advanced notice, the absence of Louis Grant was excused.
- 2. On motion by Malcolm Robinson, seconded by Robert Foster, and unanimously passed, an agenda was adopted for the meeting.
- 3. The Chairman asked Charles Talbert, Chairman of Regulation/Legislative Review Committee, to reported on the activities of the committee since the January meeting. Charles Talbert reported that in accordance with the suggestion by the Chairman at the January 28, 2003, meeting, he had met with a representative of the SCSA and they had agreed upon a compromise. The new proposed law to which they had agreed was not accepted by SCSA.

Therefore, on March 4, 2003, the committee, composed of Charles Talbert, Brodie Brigman and Joseph Cone, met with Marie Queen, Executive Director of SCSA, Kelly Jones, lobbyist for SCSA, Gale Bell, Accounting Practitioner, Austin Sheheen, IRC for the Board, Doris Cubitt, Administrator of Board, Sharon Dantzler, Office of General Counsel, and Margery McWhorter, Administrative Assistant. After much discussion, all present agreed that there would be only a change made in Section 2 so that all Accounting Practitioners who held a license as of the date the proposed law is enacted would be grandfathered All agreed that they would support that proposal. A copy of that new proposal had been sent to each Board member.

4. On motion by Charles Talbert, seconded by Debra Turner, and unanimously passed, the Board adopted the proposed law with the above noted change and instructed the staff that it is to be prepared to submit to the Legislature as soon as possible.

- 5. On motion by Brodie Brigman, seconded by Malcolm Robinson, and unanimously passed, the Board stated that the proposed House 3741 and Senate Bill 383 are not an acceptable alternative. They instructed a letter of concern under the Chairman's signature be sent to the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee and the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee. A copy of the bills and the letters sent are attached to these minutes.
- 6. The next meeting dates are as follows: **2003:** April 29 and 30 (Tuesday and Wednesday) May no meeting; June 24 (Tuesday), July 23 (Wednesday), August 26 (Tuesday), September 23 (Tuesday), October 22 (Wednesday), November no meeting; December 3 (Wednesday).

Members are to reserve the afternoon before each meeting in the event a hearing is scheduled.

7. The conference call adjourned on motion by Charles Talbert, seconded by Debra Turner, and unanimously passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Cubitt, Administrator