

MINUTES TO MEETING
STATE OF CONNECTICUT
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD
FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2023

A Meeting to the Medical Examining Board was held on April 14, 2023, at the Office of the State Comptroller, 165 Capitol Ave., Hartford, Connecticut, 06106. Circumstances created by the COVID-19 virus have resulted in all Medical Examining Board meetings are being conducted electronically.

PRESENT:

Lynn Rudich, M.D., CHAIRPERSON
Eric T. Shore, M.D.
Ralph Rosenberg, M.D.

ABSENT:

Michael Gerstenfeld, M.D.	Poleak So, M.D.
Vasantha Kainkaryam, M.D.	Sachin Parekh, M.D D.
Nicolai Lieders.	Richard Blum, M.D.
Amarjeet Dargan, M.D.	Fielding Johnson, M.D.
Frank Gerratana, M.D.	Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.
J. Robert Galvin, M.D.	Sohrab Zahedi, M.D.
Sheldon Nova, M.D.	Manny Katsetos, M.D.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Robert Helfand, Investigation & Recovery Unit, Retirement Division
William Cassada, Disability Retirement Unit, Retirement Division
Helena Bartolomeo, Disability Retirement Unit, Retirement Services Division
Cindy Cieslak, General Counsel to the Commission Rose Kallor, LLP.

Please note that a portion of the meeting was conducted in executive session as the focus of the meeting was the medical condition(s) of each Disability Retirement applicant.

CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called meeting to order at 9:06 am.

Dr. Rudich motioned to go into the Executive Session to discuss medical condition(s) related to the applications for Disability Retirement, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg at 9:07 am. Members of the Retirement Services Division and the General Counsel to the Commission were invited to stay during Executive Session.

1. Robert Brockett and Attorney John Parese appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:10 am. They made statements and then they were excused by the Board at 11:25 am.
2. Ricardo Harris and Attorney Russell Zimmerman appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:29 am. They made statements and then they were excused by the Board at 11:42 am.

3. Nathan Robinson and his wife, Stephanie Robinson appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:45 am. They made a statement and then were excused by the Board at 11:51 am.

Dr. Rudich motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Shore at 11:57 am.

ROBERT BROCKETT MD- 1659 SERVICE-CONNECTED(RECONSIDERATION)
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Shore, to approve Robert Brockett's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CARL DICKEY D- 12597 SERVICE-CONNECTED (CONT'D)
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to approve Carl Dickey's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LARRY DRAWEC D- 13534 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Shore, to approve Larry Drawec's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

BARBARA FRITZ D- 13530 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Shore, to deny Barbara Fritz's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ROSE GENESTE D- 13525 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to deny Rose Geneste's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

RICARDO HARRIS D- 13275 SERVICE-CONNECTED (RECONSIDERATION)
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Shore, to stand by the Board's previous decision to deny Ricardo Harris' entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ALLYSAN JOHNSON D- 13524 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Shore, to approve Allysyan Johnson's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

KEVIN KLETT MD- 1673 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to deny Kevin Klett's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JOSEPH LAPIERRE D- 13510 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Shore, to approve Joseph Lapierre's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GLORIBEL MARIN-LUNA D- 13528 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Shore, to deny Gloribel Marin-Luna's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

BRIAN MERCIER MD- 1669 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to deny Brian Mercier's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DARLENE MOSKEY D- 13526 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Shore, to deny Darlene Moskey's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADRIENNE REID D- 13537 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Shore, to deny Adrienne Reid's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement, however the Board would look favorably upon Non-Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MELVIN RIDDICK D- 13531 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to deny Melvin Riddick's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

NATHAN ROBINSON D- 13295 SERVICE-CONNECTED (RECONSIDERATION)
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Shore, to table Nathan Robinson's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JANE SCATENA D- 13529 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Shore, to deny Jane Scatena's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement, however the Board did approve her entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

AARON SPRING D- 13532 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to deny Aaron Spring's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

BARBARA STASIOWSKA D- 13533 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to deny Barbara Stasiowska's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Shore to adjourn the meeting at 12:06 pm. Motion approved unanimously.