

MINUTES TO MEETING
STATE OF CONNECTICUT
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2022

A Meeting to the Medical Examining Board was held on February 4, 2022, 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:

Richard Blum, M.D., CHAIRPERSON
Michael Gerstenfeld, M.D.
Sohrab Zahedi, M.D.

ABSENT:

Eric T. Shore, M.D.	J. Robert Galvin, M.D.
Vasantha Kainkaryam, M.D.	Ralph Rosenberg, M.D.
Manny Katsetos, M.D.	Frank Gerratana, M.D.
Poleak So, M.D.	Fielding Johnson, M.D.
Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.	Sachin Parekh, M.D.
Nicolai Lieders, M.D.	Sheldon Nova, M.D.
Amarjeet Dargan, M.D.	Lynn Rudich, M.D.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Robert Helfand, Assistant Director Retirement Division
Annette Sadlowski, Disability Retirement Unit, Retirement Services Division
William Cassada, Investigation & Recovery Unit, Retirement Division
Robin Kallor, 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 9:05 am.

Dr. Blum motioned to go into the Executive Session to discuss medical condition(s) related to the applications for Disability Retirement, seconded by Dr. Zahedi at 9:06 am. Members of the Retirement Services Division and the General Counsel to the Commission were invited to stay during Executive Session. There was a brief break at 10:25 am until 10:29 am.

1. Kathy Dorgan for Edward Kurz and Attorney Russell Zimmerlin appeared on Zoom before the Board at 10:54 am. They made statements and then they were excused by the Board at 11:02 am.
2. Jessica Olson and Attorney Russell Zimmerlin appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:02 am. They made statements and then they were excused by the Board at 11:08 am.
3. Julie Randino and Attorney Russell Zimmerlin appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:09 am. They made statements and then they were excused by the Board at 11:14 am.

Dr. Blum motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Zahedi at 11:18 am.

JOSEPH BOUTEILLER D- 13289 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi, to approve Joseph Bouteiller's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement.
Motion approved unanimously.

JO-ANN CHATFIELD D- 13294 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi, to approve Jo-Ann Chatfield's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement.
Motion approved unanimously.

MARK CLINTON D- 13291 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi, to approve Mark Clinton's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion
approved unanimously.

DRU COLEMAN D- 13288 NON-SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi, to approve Dru Coleman's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement.
Motion approved unanimously.

DANIEL COLONE D- 13297 NON-SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi, to approve Daniel Colone's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement.
Motion approved unanimously.

DEBORAH CRAIG D- 13287 NON-SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi, to approve Deborah Craig's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement.
Motion approved unanimously.

COLLEEN JOHNSON D- 13298 NON-SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi, to deny Colleen Johnson's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement.
Motion approved unanimously.

BERNADETTE KAZIBWE D- 13286 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi, to table Bernadette Kazibwe's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement.
Motion approved unanimously.

EDWARD KURZ D- 12023 NON-SERVICE-CONNECTED (RECONSIDERATION)
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi, to approve Edward Kurz's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement.
Motion approved unanimously.

KEVIN LEMBO D- 13342 NON-SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi, to approve Kevin Lembo's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement.
Motion approved unanimously.

BERNARD OKSENBERG MD- 1638 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi, to approve Bernard Oksenberg's entitlement to Non-Service-Connected
Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JESSICA OLSON D- 13198 SERVICE-CONNECTED (RECONSIDERATION)
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerstenfeld, to stand by the Board's previous decision to deny Jessica Olson's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement, however they would look favorably upon a Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JULIE RANDINO D- 12636 NON-SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi, to approve Julie Randino's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MICHAEL RICHARDSON D- 13293 NON-SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi, to approve Michael Richardson's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

RICHARD SARTINI D- 13306 NON-SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi, to approve Richard Sartini's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Zahedi to adjourn the meeting at 11:27 am. Motion approved unanimously.