

MINUTES TO MEETING
STATE OF CONNECTICUT
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD
FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2023

A Meeting to the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, May 26, 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:

Sokpoleak So, M.D., CHAIRPERSON
Nicolai Lieders, M.D.
Ralph Rosenberg, M.D.

ABSENT:

Manny Katsetos, M.D.	Lynn Rudich, M.D.
Sheldon Nova, M.D.	Richard Blum, M.D.
J. Robert Galvin, M.D.	Eric T. Shore, M.D.
Frank Gerratana, M.D.	Amarjeet Dargan, M.D.
Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.	Michael Gerstenfeld, M.D.
Sachin Parekh, M.D.	Vasanth Kainkaryam, M.D.
Fielding Johnson, M.D.	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Robert Helfand, Investigation & Recovery Unit, Retirement Division
William Cassada, Investigation & Recovery 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 9:07 am.

Dr. So motioned to go into the Executive Session to discuss medical condition(s) related to the applications for Disability Retirement, seconded by Dr. Lieders, at 9:09 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 10:57 am until 11:02 am.

1. Peter Casey and Attorney Justin Raymond appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:04 am. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 11:16 am.
2. Lizette Sanabria appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:18 am. She made a statement and then was excused by the Board at 11:31 am.

Dr. So motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Lieders at 11:43 am.

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JOHN BLANCHARD D- 13139 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to discontinue John Blanchard's entitlement to Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ERICK BROWN D- 13213 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Erick Brown's entitlement to Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

PETER CASEY D- 13049 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Peter Casey's entitlement to Non-Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

WANDA DOIRON D- 13073 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Wanda Doiron's entitlement to Non-Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GARY HAMILTON D- 13066 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Gary Hamilton's entitlement to Non-Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

WENDY HARTLING D- 10592 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to discontinue Wendy Hartling's entitlement to Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MAYRA HOLBROOK D- 12859 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Mayra Holbrook's entitlement to Non-Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CHRISTOPHER KELLY D- 13043 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Christopher Kelly's entitlement to Non-Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ALEC MANDIA D- 13210 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Alec Mandia's entitlement to Non-Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GEORGE MILLER D- 13114 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue George Miller's entitlement to Non-Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LIZETTE SANABRIA D- 12545 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Lizette Sanabria's entitlement to Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CHRISTOPHER SOUCIER D- 13215 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Christopher Soucier's entitlement to Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

KEVIN TROSKY D- 13228 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Kevin Trosky's entitlement to Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MICHELE VARANAY D- 13063 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Michele Varanay's entitlement to Non-Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Continued Entitlement Pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding of August 6, 2015

JORGE CLAUDIO D- 13238 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Jorge Claudio's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JAMES CONLEY D- 13009 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue James Conley's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LISA DOTY D- 13128 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Lisa Doty's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LUCY GILIBERTO D- 13365 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Lucy Giliberto's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

IRMA GOYCO-BURNHAN D- 12931 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Irma Goyco-Burnhan's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

AMER KHAN D- 13418 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Amer Khan's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

BRIAN LOGAN D- 13290 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Brian Logan's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ANGEL MARTINEZ D- 13345 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Angel Martinez's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

PATRICK WEBER D- 13523 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Patrick Weber's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders to adjourn the meeting at 10:23 am. Motion approved unanimously.