

MINUTES TO MEETING
STATE OF CONNECTICUT
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2020

A Meeting to the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, November 6, 2020, 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:

Sachin Parekh, M.D., CHAIRPERSON
J. Robert Galvin, M.D.
Nikolai Lieders, M.D.

ABSENT:

Sheldon Nova, M.D.	Lynn Rudich, M.D.
Richard Blum, M.D.	Frank Gerratana, M.D.
Marianne Wudarsky, M.D.	Fielding Johnson, M.D.
Michael Gerstenfield, M.D.	Ralph Rosenberg, M.D.
So Sokpoleak, M.D.	Manny Katsetos, M.D.
Amarjeet Dargan, M.D.	Eric T. Shore, M.D.
Debra Pollack, M.D.	Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Colin Newman, Assistant Director Retirement Division
Annette Sadlowski, Disability Retirement 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 9:12 am.

Dr. Parekh motioned to go into the Executive Session to discuss medical condition(s) related to the applications for Disability Retirement, seconded by Dr. Lieders at 9:13 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 10:55 am until 10:58 am.

1. Attorney Justin Raymond appeared, on behalf of Helen Wilson, before the Board at 10:30 am. Attorney Raymond a made statement and then was excused by the Board at 10:34 am.

Dr. Parekh motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Galvin at 10:54 am.

ROSEMARY ANDRADE D- 13057 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to deny Rosemary Andrade's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

RUTH ANDRUSKO D- 13107 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to approve Ruth Andrusko's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

RICHARD BEAULIEU D- 13062 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to approve Richard Beaulieu's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

FRANCIS BETTENCOURT D- 13050 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to deny Francis Bettencourt's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MARY BONAVENTURA D- 13103 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to approve Mary Bonaventura's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

PIERRE D'HAITI D- 12865 SERVICE-CONNECTED (CONT'D)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to deny Pierre D'Haiti's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ROBERT ERICKSON D- 13047 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to deny Robert Erickson's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

VINCENT INGRASSIA MD- 1624 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to deny Vincent Ingrassia's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MICHAEL LANE D- 12654 SERVICE-CONNECTED (CONT'D)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to deny Michael Lane's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

SYLVIA LOPEZ D- 13077 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to table Sylvia Lopez's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

SAMUEL MARKLAND D- 13045 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to deny Samuel Markland's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

RAFAEL MELENDEZ D- 13074 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to deny Rafael Melendez's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DOUGLAS MOORE D- 13065 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to deny Douglas Moore's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MICHAEL OVERTON D- 12683 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to approve Michael Overton's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

BRIAN PETERSON D- 13058 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to deny Brian Peterson's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

SUSAN SANCHEZ D- 12971 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to approve Susan Sanchez's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GUSTAVO SANCHEZ TOLEDO D- 13048 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to deny Gustavo Sanchez Toledo's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

FRED STEPHENSON D- 13081 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to table Fred Stephenson's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CHERYL TAYLOR D- 13040 SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to deny Cheryl Taylor's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MICHELE VARANY D- 13063 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to approve Michele Varanay's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

HELEN WILSON D- 12353 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED (RECONSIDERATION)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to table Helen Wilson's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders to adjourn the meeting at 11:09 am. Motion approved unanimously.