

MINUTES TO MEETING
STATE OF CONNECTICUT
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2022

A Meeting to the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, October 21, 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:

Lynn Rudich, M.D., CHAIRPERSON
Ralph Rosenberg, M.D.
Sachin Parekh, M.D.

ABSENT:

Manny Katsetos, M.D.	
Michael Gerstenfeld, M.D.	Eric T. Shore, M.D.
J. Robert Galvin, M.D.	Richard Blum, M.D.
Frank Gerratana, M.D.	Sokpoleak So, M.D.
Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.	Amarjeet Dargan, M.D.
Nicolai Lieders, M.D.	Sheldon Nova, M.D.
Fielding Johnson, M.D.	Vasanth Kainkaryam, M.D.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Colin Newman, Assistant Director Retirement Division
Robert Helfand, Investigation & Recovery Unit, Retirement Division
William Cassada, Investigation & Recovery Unit, Retirement Division
Helena Bartolomeo, Disability Unit, 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 9:06 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 9:08 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 10:58 am until 11:01 am.

Dr. Rudich motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Parekh at 11:22 am.

1. Hope Searles and Attorney Justin Raymond appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:01 am. They made statements and then they were excused by the Board at 11:11 am
2. Gregory Nilan and Attorney Justin Falco appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:13 am. They made statements and then they were excused by the Board at 11:19 am.

ROSEMARY ANDRADE D- 13057 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to table Rosemary Andrade's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

RICHARD BEAULIEU D- 13062 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to continue Richard Beaulieu's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

PETER CASEY D- 13049 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to discontinue Peter Casey's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved by majority decision. Dr. Rosenberg dissents.

WILLIAM CASTELOT D- 12893 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to table William Castelot's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

WANDA DOIRON D- 13073 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to table Wanda Doiron's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

STEPHANIE EDWARDS D- 13046 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to table Stephanie Edwards' entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GARY HAMILTON D- 13066 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to table Gary Hamilton's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CALVIN JOHNSON D- 12995 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to continue Calvin Johnson's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CHRISTOPHER KELLY D- 13043 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to table Christopher Kelly's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GREGORY NILAN D- 12853 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Gregory Nilan's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

NELSON PEREZ D- 13060 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to continue Nelson Perez's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

HOPE SEARLES D- 12881 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to discontinue Hope Searles' entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CHRISTOPHER ST. JACQUES D- 13069 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Christopher St. Jacques' entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MICHELE VARANAY D- 13063 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to table Michele Varanay's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

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

KAREN AHMED D- 12635 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Karen Ahmed's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

EILEEN BLAUVELT D- 13377 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Eileen Blauvelt's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CRUZ CRUZ-HEREMURU D- 12268 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Cruz Cruz-Heremuru's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LOUIS GAEDT D- 13393 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Louis Gaedt's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MYLINH LE-JONES D- 12230 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Mylinh Le-Jones' entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

HOLLY MAURICE D- 13394 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Holly Maurice's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JEAN O'CONNOR D- 13381 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Jean O'Connor's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

THEDA SCOTT D- 13080 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Theda Scott's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LISA TANGUAY D- 13403 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Lisa Tanguay's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DEBRATULISANO

D- 12926

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Debra Tulisano's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh to adjourn the meeting at 11:31 am. Motion approved unanimously.