

MINUTES TO MEETING  
STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2020

A Meeting to the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, September 11, 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:

Lynn Rudich, M.D., CHAIRPERSON  
Michael Gerstenfield, M.D.  
Sheldon Nova, M.D.  
So Sokpoleak, M.D. – In Observance

ABSENT:

J. Robert Galvin, M.D.	Frank Gerratana, M.D.
Richard Blum, M.D.	Fielding Johnson, M.D.
Marianne Wudarsky, M.D.	Sachin Parekh, M.D.
Sheldon Nova, M.D.	Nicolai Lieders, M.D.
Dr. Ralph Rosenberg	Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.
Manny Katsetos, M.D.	Eric T. Shore, M.D.
Amarjeet Dargan, M.D.	
Debra Pollack, 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 9:05 am.  
Dr. Rudich motioned, and Dr. Nova seconded to amend the agenda to:  
Remove Debra Benson from Agenda at 9:07am.

Dr. Rudich motioned to go into the Executive Session to discuss medical condition(s) related to the applications for Disability Retirement, seconded by Dr. Nova at 9:08 am. Members of the Retirement Services Division and the General Counsel to the Commission were invited to stay during Executive Session.

1. Attorney Russell Zimmerlin and Jacqueline Lawrence appeared before the Board at 10:19 am. Attorney Zimmerlin a made statement and then they were excused by the Board at 10:23 am.
2. Attorney Justin Raymond appeared, on behalf of Calvin Johnson, before the Board at 11:05 am. He made a statement, and then was excused by the Board at 11:08 am.

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

EDWINA ANDERSON-TUNING D- 12866 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Edwina Anderson-Tuning's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

EUGENE BROWN D- 12912 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Gerstenfeld, to approve Eugene Brown's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

STEPHEN BROWN D- 12986 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to deny Stephen Brown's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

BRUNO DELMONACO D- 13016 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Bruno Delmonaco's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

RAYMOND DESPRES D- 12972 SERVICE-CONNECTED  
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Gerstenfeld, to deny Raymond Despres' entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

NINA GIUSTINIANI D- 12472 SERVICE-CONNECTED(CONT'D)  
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to deny Nina Giustiniani's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

THOMAS GORR MD- 1620 SERVICE-CONNECTED  
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Thomas Gorr's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CALVIN JOHNSON D- 12995 SERVICE-CONNECTED(RECONSIDERATION)  
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to deny Calvin Johnson's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement, however the Board would look favorably upon a Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

KIMBERLEY KLINEFELTER D- 13028 SERVICE-CONNECTED  
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Kimberley Klinefelter's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JACQUELINE LAWRENCE D- 12313 SERVICE-CONNECTED(RECONSIDERATION)  
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to stand by the Board's previous decision to deny Jacqueline Lawrence's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

KEVIN MORAN D- 12890 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Kevin Moran's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

SEAN MORIARTY MD- 1614 SERVICE-CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to deny Sean Moriarty's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MARIA OLIVEIRA D- 12996 SERVICE-CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Maria Oliveira's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

WALDREN PHILLIPS D- 12252 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED(CONT'D)

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Waldren Phillips' entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CAROLYN ROY D- 12990 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Carolyn Roy's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

SUSAN TALBOT D- 12861 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Susan Talbot's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

NICOLE TYSON D- 12981 SERVICE-CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to deny Nicole Tyson's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LORI WALDEN D- 12882 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Lori Walden's entitlement to Non-Service Connected C Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MICHAEL WOOD D- 13001 SERVICE-CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Michael Wood's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 am. Motion approved unanimously.