

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

JULY 10, 2020 MEETING
HELD VIA ZOOM
CONVENED AT 9:04 a.m.

Board Members Participating:

Lynn Rudich, M.D.

Richard Blum, M.D.

J. Robert Galvin, M.D.

Board Members Observing:

Sachin Parekh, M.D.

Michael Gerstenfeld, M.D.

Also Present:

Cindy Cieslak, General Counsel, Rose Kallor

Colin Newman, Retirement Services Division

Annette Sadlowski, Disability Retirement Division

Karen Vibert, LSR #00064

1 (Proceedings commenced at 9:04 a.m.)

2 DR. RUDICH: The July 10, 2020 meeting of
3 the Medical Examining Board is now in session. I'm
4 Dr. Lynn Rudich, chairperson. Present here: I am
5 here, Dr. Richard Blum is here, Dr. Robert Galvin.
6 From the office of the State Comptroller Retirement
7 Services Commission Division are Annette Sadlowski
8 and Colin Newman, who are staff members. In
9 observance of the Medical Examining Board meeting,
10 new members Dr. Parekh and Dr. Gerstenfeld are with
11 us. We also have general counsel for the Retirement
12 Commission, Cindy Cieslak.

13 I am going to make a motion to add
14 Jeffrey Hutchinson to the agenda.

15 DR. BLUM: Second.

16 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in favor
17 say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion passes to
18 add Jeffrey Hutchinson to the agenda.

19 DR. RUDICH: We are going to go into
20 executive session. I make a motion to go into
21 executive session, but I request that the members of
22 the Retirement Services Division and counsel be
23 allowed to remain.

24 DR. BLUM: Second.

25 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? We're also

1 going to allow Dr. Gerstenfeld and Dr. Parekh to
2 remain as well; is that correct?

3 DR. RUDICH: Correct.

4 MS. CIESLAK: Thank you, Dr. Rudich.

5 Any further discussion? All in favor
6 say aye. Any opposed say nay. The motion passes.

7 (The Board was in executive session from
8 9:06 a.m. until 11:08 a.m.)

9 MS. CIESLAK: We are out of executive
10 session and the recording is on.

11 DR. RUDICH: The Board will be making
12 determinations, but we would like to remind members
13 that only the final vote will be given today and not
14 the reasons for the vote. In some instances there
15 may not have been enough medical information to make
16 the determination, or perhaps non-service-connected
17 disability is more likely than a service-connected
18 disability. You can seek reconsideration of an
19 initial denial. You'll receive the Board's written
20 determination within two to four weeks. That will
21 provide additional information.

22 I make a motion to deny the
23 application for entitlement to service-connected
24 disability retirement of Eugene Brown, but the Board
25 will look favorably on non-service-connected

1 disability.

2 DR. GALVIN: Second.

3 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in
4 favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
5 passes.

6 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to approve
7 the application for non-service-connected disability
8 retirement of Eugene Casivant.

9 DR. GALVIN: Second.

10 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in
11 favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
12 passes.

13 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to deny the
14 application for non-service-connected disability
15 retirement of Lori-Jean Corsini-Nelson.

16 DR. GALVIN: Second.

17 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in
18 favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
19 passes.

20 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to approve
21 the service-connected disability retirement of
22 Heather Frost.

23 DR. GALVIN: Second.

24 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in
25 favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion

1 passes.

2 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to deny the
3 application for service-connected disability
4 retirement of Alicia Holliday.

5 DR. GALVIN: Second.

6 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
7 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
8 passes.

9 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to change
10 from service-connected to non-service-connected
11 disability retirement for Jeffrey Hutchinson.

12 DR. GALVIN: Second.

13 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in
14 favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
15 passes.

16 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to table the
17 application for service-connected disability
18 retirement of Deborah Jett-Harris.

19 DR. GALVIN: Second.

20 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in
21 favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
22 passes.

23 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to deny the
24 application for non-service-connected disability
25 retirement of Janet Jubrey.

1 DR. BLUM: Second.

2 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
3 in favor say aye. Any opposed say nay. The motion
4 passes.

5 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to approve
6 the application for non-service-connected disability
7 retirement of Kelly Kelly.

8 DR. BLUM: Second.

9 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
10 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
11 passes.

12 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to deny the
13 application for service-connected disability
14 retirement of Thomas Kuntz.

15 DR. BLUM: Second.

16 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
17 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
18 passes.

19 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to deny the
20 application for entitlement to service-connected
21 disability retirement of Tarvares LLOYD.

22 DR. BLUM: Second.

23 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
24 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
25 passes.

1 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to deny the
2 application for service-connected disability
3 retirement of Jackie Mahoney, but the Board would
4 look favorably on an application for
5 non-service-connected.

6 DR. GALVIN: Second.

7 MS. CIESLAK: Any further concussion? All
8 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
9 passes.

10 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to approve
11 the application for service-connected disability
12 retirement of Peter Marchese.

13 DR. GALVIN: Second.

14 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
15 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
16 passes.

17 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to deny the
18 application for non-service-connected disability
19 retirement of Timothy McGuane.

20 DR. BLUM: Second.

21 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
22 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
23 passes.

24 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to change the
25 application from service-connected to

1 non-service-connected for Michael Papacoda.

2 DR. BLUM: Second.

3 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
4 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
5 passes.

6 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to approve
7 the application for non-service-connected disability
8 retirement for Allison Pikiell.

9 DR. GALVIN: Second.

10 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
11 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
12 passes.

13 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to deny the
14 application for service-connected disability
15 retirement of Latasha Russell.

16 DR. GALVIN: Second.

17 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
18 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
19 passes.

20 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to deny the
21 application for service-connected disability
22 retirement for Susan Sanchez, but the Board would
23 look favorably on non-service-connected application.

24 DR. GALVIN: Second.

25 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All

1 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
2 passes.

3 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to deny the
4 application for service-connected disability
5 retirement for Susan Talbot, but the Board would
6 look favorably on non-service-connected application.

7 DR. GALVIN: Second.

8 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
9 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
10 passes.

11 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to deny the
12 application for service-connected disability
13 retirement of Lori Walden, but the Board would look
14 favorably on non-service-connected disability.

15 DR. GALVIN: Second.

16 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
17 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
18 passes.

19 DR. RUDICH: I make a motion to deny the
20 application for service-connected disability
21 retirement of Jenese Wilcox.

22 DR. GALVIN: Second.

23 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
24 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
25 passes.

1 DR. BLUM: Can you tell me what we decided
2 on Pikiell? Was that approved or --

3 DR. RUDICH: We approved.

4 I make a motion to adjourn the
5 meeting.

6 DR. GALVIN: Second.

7 MS. CIESLAK: All in favor say aye.

8 All right. We are adjourned. Thank
9 you.

10 (Concluded at 11:17 a.m.)

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I, Karen Vibert, LSR No. 00064, a
Notary Public for the State of Connecticut, do hereby
certify that the preceding pages are an accurate
transcription of the Connecticut Medical Examining
Board regular meeting held electronically via Zoom,
convening at 9:04 a.m., on July 10, 2020.

19 Dated at Bristol, Connecticut, this 13th_ day of July,
20 2020.

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24 Karen Vibert



25 Karen Vibert, Notary Public
My commission expires: 08/31/2024.

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