MINUTES TO MEETING STATE OF CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 2023

A Meeting to the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, January 27, 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:

Lynn Rudich, M.D., CHAIRPERSON Eric T. Shore, M.D. J. Robert Galvin, M.D.

ABSENT:

Manny Katsetos, M.D.

Michael Gerstenfeld, M.D.

Sachin Parekh, M.D.

Frank Gerratana, M.D.

Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.

Nicolai Lieders, M.D.

Fielding Johnson, M.D.

Ralph Rosenberg, M.D.

Richard Blum, M.D.

Sokpoleak So, M.D.

Amarjeet Dargan, M.D.

Sheldon Nova, M.D.

Vasanth Kainkaryam, M.D.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Robert Helfand, Investigation & Recovery Unit, Retirement Division William Cassada, Investigation & Recovery 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 9:04 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. Galvin at 9:04 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 10:27 am until 10:35 am.

Dr. Rudich motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Galvin at 10:55 am.

- 1. Ismael Toledo and Attorney Russell Zimberlin appeared on Zoom before the Board at 10:37 am. They made statements and then they were excused by the Board at 10:42 am
- 2. Ismael Toledo and Attorney Russell Zimberlin reappeared on Zoom before the Board at 10:47 am. They made statements and then they were excused by the Board at 10:54 am.

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KOREN CATCHINGS

D- 13102

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to table Koren Catchings' entitlement to Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ROBERT ERICKSON

D- 13047

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Robert Erickson's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

NANCY FOLEY

D- 12956

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT (CONT'D)

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to discontinue Nancy Foley's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

SUZANNE LAPRISE

D- 12970

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT (CONT'D)

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to discontinue Suzanne Laprise's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

TRACY LOVELL

D- 12965

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to discontinue Tracy Lovell's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DELONDRA MUNN

D- 12771

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to table Delondra Munn's entitlement to Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JO-ANN POMO

D- 13082

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Jo-Ann Pomo's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

KEVIN RIVENBURGH

D- 13104

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to table Kevin Rivenburgh's entitlement to Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

FRED STEPHENSON

D- 13081

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to discontinue Fred Stephenson's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MARCUS THOMAS

D- 12708

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT (CONT'D)

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Marcus Thomas' entitlement to Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ISMAEL TOLEDO

D- 12832

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT (RECONSIDERATION)

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to table Ismael Toledo's entitlement to Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LINDATURGEON

D-12778

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Linda Turgeon's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

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JACQUELINE WATFORD

D- 13089

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Jacqueline Watford's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DEAN WOJCIK

D- 13070

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Dean Wojcik's entitlement to Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

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

NEIL ATKINSON

D- 13179

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Neil Atkinson's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

KELLY COVIELLO

D- 12950

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Kelly Coviello's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously

MARTIN D'AMICO

D- 13401

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Martin D'Amico's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

VALERIE FAZZINO

D- 13116

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Valerie Fazzino's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ALBERT GOMEZ

D- 13299

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Albert Gomez's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JASON MASSAI

D- 13125

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Jason Massai's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

HORTENSE MORAIS

D-13097

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Hortense Morais' entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ZOFIA MROCZEK

D- 13429

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Zofia Mroczek entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MARISOL PADIN-SANCHEZ

D- 13369

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Marisol Padin-Sanchez's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

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CHRISTOPHER ROBERT

D- 12941

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Christopher Robert's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DANNETTE RODRIGUEZ

D- 12586

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Dannette Rodriguez's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CLAUDETTE SANDS

D- 13439

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to continue Claudette Sands' entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin to adjourn the meeting at 11:03 am. Motion approved unanimously.