MINUTES TO MEETING STATE OF CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD FRIDAY, JULY 28, 2023

A Meeting to the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, July 28, 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:

Ralph Rosenberg, M.D., CHAIRPERSON Sheldon Nova, M.D. Eric T. Shore, M.D.

ABSENT:

Manny Katsetos, M.D.

Sokpoleak So, M.D.

Sachin Parekh, M.D.

Frank Gerratana, M.D.

Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.

Nicolai Lieders, M.D.

Fielding Johnson, M.D.

Lynn Rudich, M.D.

Richard Blum, M.D.

Michael Gerstenfeld, M.D.

Amarjeet Dargan, M.D.

J. Robert Galvin, M.D.

Vasanth Kainkaryam, M.D.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Robert Helfand, Investigation & Recovery Unit, Retirement Division William Cassada, Investigation & Recovery Unit, Retirement Division Helena Bartolomeo, Disability Retirement Unit, Retirement Services 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. Nova motioned to go into the Executive Session to discuss medical condition(s) related to the applications for Disability Retirement, seconded by Dr. Shore, at 9:04 am. Members of the Retirement Services Division and the General Counsel to the Commission were invited to stay during Executive Session.

- Dr. Shore motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Nova at 9:58 am.
 - 1. Justin Pizzonia and Attorney Russell Zimberlin appeared on Zoom before the Board at 9:53 am. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 9:57 am.

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SAMUEL BLEIR D- 13256 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Samuel Bleir's entitlement to Non-Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MARGARET CRAGIN D- 13236 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Margaret Cragin's entitlement to Non-Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

SANDRA JENKINS D- 13248 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Sandra Jenkins' entitlement to Non-Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MARC KING D- 13244 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Marc King's entitlement to Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ROWAN MONINGTON D- 13233 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Rowan Monington's entitlement to Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MATTHEW MORRISSETTE D- 13223 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Matthew Morrissette's entitlement to Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DELONDRA MUNN D- 12771 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Delondra Munn's entitlement to Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JUSTIN PIZZONIA D- 11460 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Justin Pizzonia's entitlement to Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

KEVIN RIVENBURGH D- 13104 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Kevin Rivenburgh's entitlement to Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MICHAFI TUTKO D- 13246 CONTINUED ENTITI EMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Michael Tutko's entitlement to Service-Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

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

JUSTIN BLANDINO D- 13428 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Justin Blandino's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

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LARRY DRAWEC D- 13534 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Larry Drawec's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GILBERT GIOIA D- 13310 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Gilbert Gioia's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ROSENDA HULL D- 13276 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Rosenda Hull's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LORI INMAN D- 12819 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Lori Inman's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

EUGENIA LAVOIE D- 13278 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Eugenia Levoie's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

RUDY RECINOS D- 13232 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Rudy Recinos' entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

KELLY SWIATOWIEC D- 13101 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Kelly Swiatowiec's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MICHAEL WEST D- 13519 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to continue Michael West's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Rosenberg moved, seconded by Dr. Nova to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 am. Motion approved unanimously.