

MINUTES TO MEETING
STATE OF CONNECTICUT
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD
FRIDAY, May 17, 2024

A Meeting of the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, May 17, 2024, at the Office of the State Comptroller, 165 Capitol Ave., Hartford, Connecticut, 06106. All Medical Examining Board meetings being conducted electronically.

PRESENT:

Sachin Parekh, M.D., CHAIRPERSON
Lynn Rudich, M.D.
Sheldon Nova, M.D.

ABSENT:

Frank Gerratana, M.D.
Michael Gerstenfeld, M.D.
Fielding Johnson, M.D.
Manny Katsetos, M.D.
Nikolai Lieders, M.D.
Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.
Ralph Rosenberg, M.D.
Eric T. Shore, M.D.
Sokpoleak So, M.D.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Helena Bartolomeo, Retirement Services Division
William Cassada, Retirement Services Division
Robert Helfand, Retirement Services Division
Nabil Waheed, 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 the meeting to order at 9:06 am.

Dr. Parekh motioned to go into the Executive Session to discuss medical condition(s) related to the applications for Disability Retirement, seconded by Dr. Rudich, 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 taken.

1. Wayne Campbell appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:10 am. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 11:24 am.
2. Attorney John Esposito appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:33am. He made a statement on behalf of Anibal Quinones and was excused by the Board at 11:39 am.

Dr. Parekh motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Nova at 11:41 am.

ATKINS, CHRISTOPHER #395385 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue Christopher Atkin's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CAMPBELL, WAYNE #069084 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT(Reconsideration)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to discontinue Wayne Campbell's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CLINTON, MARK #081608 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (Cont'd)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to discontinue Mark Clinton's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DARBY, CHARLENE #511859 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue Charlene Darby's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

HERNANDEZ, WILLIAM #038503 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (Cont'd)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue William Hernandez's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LEE, CALDWELL #506287 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to table Caldwell Lee's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MIDDLETON, STEPHANIE #158589 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to table Stephanie Middleton's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MIHALIAK, WILLIAM #023268 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to table William Mihaliak's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MINA, ANA #527080 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (Cont'd)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to discontinue Ana Mina's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

QUINONES, ANIBAL #034731 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT(Reconsideration)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to discontinue Anibal Quinones' entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

RODRIGUEZ, DAVID #468012 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (Cont'd)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to discontinue David Rodriguez's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

TAYLOR, CHERYL #490023 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (Cont'd)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue Cheryl Taylor's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

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

ARROYO, CARMEN #590486 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (SSD)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue Carmen Arroyo's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

BANAS, JOHN #081860 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (SSD)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue John Banas' entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

BLANCHARD, JOHN #655327 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (SSD)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue John Blanchard's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DYSON, JOHN #068039 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (SSD)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue John Dyson's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ELLIOT, JESSICA #062529 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (SSD)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue Jessica Elliot's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LINDSEY, CEDRIC #011559 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (SSD)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue Cedric Lindsey's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MCDONALD, JOHN #035822 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (SSD)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue John McDonald's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

OTERO, MICHAEL #434627 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (SSD)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue Michael Otero's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

SMITH-CROCKETT, NATALIE #653095 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (SSD)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue Natalie Smith-Crockett's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

TREMAGLIO, MARCIE #528255 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (SSD)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue Marcie Tremaglio's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

VENDRELLA, ANTHONY #869672 CONT'D ENTITLEMENT (SSD)
Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich, to continue Anthony Vendrella's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rudich to adjourn the meeting at 11:47 am. Motion approved unanimously.