

MINUTES TO MEETING  
STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2024

A Meeting of the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, September 6, 2024, at the Office of the State Comptroller, 165 Capitol Ave., Hartford, Connecticut, 06106. All Medical Examining Board meetings being conducted electronically.

PRESENT:

Frank Gerratana, M.D., CHAIRPERSON  
Sachin Parekh, M.D.  
Ralph Rosenberg, M.D.

ABSENT:

Michael Gerstenfeld, M.D.  
Fielding Johnson, M.D.  
Manny Katsetos, M.D.  
Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.  
Eric T. Shore, M.D.  
Nikolai Lieders, M.D.  
Sokpoleak So, M.D.  
Lynn Rudich, M.D.  
Sheldon Nova, M.D.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Helena Bartolomeo, 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 9:02 am.

Dr. Gerratana motioned to go into the Executive Session to discuss medical condition(s) related to the applications for Disability Retirement, seconded by Dr. Parekh, at 9:03 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. Attorney Russell Zimmerlin and Wanda Guzman-Sinko appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:36 am. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 11:42 am.
2. Lisa Suarez appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:43 am. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 11:48 am.

Dr. Gerratana motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Parekh at 11:50 am.

AVILES, ANGEL # 454935 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to deny Angel Aviles' entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

BOWENS, TERRY # 613215 SERVICE CONNECTED\*  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to deny Terry Bowen's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement, but approve entitlement to non-service connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

BROWN, SHEREASE # 978067 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to deny Sherease Brown's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CONTRERAS, EVANGELISTA # 656809 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to deny Evangelista Contreras entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ESTRADA, JOSE # 870515 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to deny Jose Estrada's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement, but the Board would look favorably upon non-service connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GUZMAN-SINKO, WANDA # 462493 SERVICE CONNECTED\* (RECON)  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to deny Wanda Guzman-Sinko's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement, but approve entitlement to non-service connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JONES, SHEILA # 394775 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to deny Sheila Jones' entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JULIANELLE, JOHN # 185008 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to deny John Julianelle's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LIMA, MATTHEW # 266641 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to deny Matthew Lima's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LONDIN-AGNIFILO, DAWN # 559756 SERVICE CONNECTED\*  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to deny Dawn Londin-Agnifilo's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LORD, DORIAN # 493202 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED (POSTH)  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to approve Dorian Lord's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MENDEZ, JOSHUA # 536676 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to deny Joshua Mendez's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MYETTE, PHILIP # 650918 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to deny Philip Myette's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement, but the Board would look favorably upon non-service connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

PROTO, LYNN # 402551 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to deny Lynn Proto's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

RANDOLPH, CYNTHIA # 563930 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to deny Cynthia Randolph's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

RICCILLO, JOSEPH # 161050 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to approve Joseph Riccillo's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

STEVENS, AMBROSE # 087998 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED (POSTH)  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to approve Ambrose Steven's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

SUAREZ, LISA # 071313 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED (RECON)  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to approve Lisa Suarez's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

WILSON, CAMMIE # 023226 SERVICE CONNECTED\*  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to approve Cammie Wilson's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

WYLIE, NADINE # 041032 SERVICE CONNECTED\*  
Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh, to approve Nadine Wylie's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Parekh to adjourn the meeting at 12:01 pm. Motion approved unanimously.