

MINUTES TO MEETING
STATE OF CONNECTICUT
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD
INVESTIGATION
FRIDAY, October 18, 2024

A Meeting of the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, October 18, 2024, at the Office of the State Comptroller, 165 Capitol Ave., Hartford, Connecticut, 06106. All Medical Examining Board meetings being conducted electronically.

PRESENT:

Lynn Rudich, M.D., CHAIRPERSON
Ralph Rosenberg, M.D.
Michael Gerstenfeld, M.D.

ABSENT:

Fielding Johnson, M.D.
Manny Katsetos, M.D.
Eric T. Shore, M.D.
Nikolai Lieders, M.D.
Sokpoleak So, M.D.
Sheldon Nova, M.D.
Sachin Parekh, M.D.
Frank Gerratana, M.D.
Rita Ohene-Adjei, 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 9:06 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. Rosenberg, at 9:07 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. Trinene Davis appeared on Zoom before the Board at 10:59 am. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 11:08 am.
2. Attorney Mark Blakeman and David Diaz appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:11 am. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 11:19 am.
3. Rosalyn Furlow appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:21 am. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 11:29 am.
4. Attorney Jeffrey Ment appeared on behalf of William Pagoni on Zoom before the Board at 11:32 am. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 11:42 am.
5. Attorney Colleen Casini and Jeffrey Patton appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:48 am. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 11:56 am.
6. Attorney Russell Zimmerman and Joseph Russo appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:57 am. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 12:05 pm.

Dr. Rudich motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg at 12:07 pm.

DAVIS, TRINENE # 507108 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT (CONTINUED)
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to discontinue Trinene Davis' entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DIAZ, DAVID # 562580 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT (RECON)
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to discontinue David Diaz's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

FURLOW, ROSALYN # 453302 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to discontinue Rosalyn Furlow's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MARIN-LUNA, GLORIBEL # 613076 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to table Gloribel Marin-Luna's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

PAGONI, WILLIAM # 378515 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT (RECON)
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to discontinue William Pagoni's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved by majority decision. Dr. Gerstenfeld dissents.

PATTON, JEFFREY # 489262 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT (RECON)
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to discontinue Jeffrey Patton's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

RUSSO, JOSEPH # 490096 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT
Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to discontinue Joseph Russo's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg to adjourn the meeting at 12:13 pm. Motion approved unanimously.