

MINUTES TO MEETING  
STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD  
Wednesday, July 2, 2025

A Meeting of the Medical Examining Board was held on Wednesday, July 2, 2025, at the Office of the State Comptroller, 165 Capitol Ave., Hartford, Connecticut, 06106. All Medical Examining Board meetings being conducted electronically.

PRESENT:

Sokpoleak So, M.D., CHAIRPERSON  
Frank Gerratana, M.D.  
Ralph Rosenberg, M.D.

ABSENT:

Fielding Johnson, M.D.  
Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.  
Michael Gerstenfeld, M.D.  
Manny Katsetos, M.D.  
Nikolai Lieders, M.D.  
Eric T. Shore, M.D.  
Sachin Parekh, M.D.  
Lynn Rudich, M.D.  
Sheldon Nova, M.D.  
Sohrab Zahedi, M.D.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Robert Helfand, Retirement Services Division  
Patrick Fairbanks, Retirement Services Division  
John Herrington, Retirement Services Division  
Alexandra Cipolla, Retirement Services Division  
Helena Bartolomeo, Retirement Services Division  
Robin Kallor, 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. So motioned to go into the Executive Session to discuss medical condition(s) related to the applications for Disability Retirement, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, at 9:04 am. Members of the Retirement Services Division and the General Counsel to the Commission were invited to stay during Executive Session. Robert Helfand entered Executive Session at 9:29 am. John Herrington exited Executive Session at 9:58 am. A brief break was taken.

1. Attorney Justin Raymond appeared on Zoom on behalf of Cathleen Adamczyk before the Board at 12:03 pm. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 12:06 pm.
2. Union Representative Tammi Atkins and John Julianelle appeared on Zoom before the Board at 12:06 pm. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 12:22 pm.
3. Attorney Russell Zimmerlin and Joshua Mendez appeared on Zoom before the Board at 12:22 pm. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 12:32 pm.
4. Attorney Russell Zimmerlin and Nydia Romero appeared on Zoom before the Board at 12:32 pm. They made a statement and then they were excused by the Board at 12:44 pm.

Dr. So motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Gerratana at 12:52 pm.

Pursuant to a request from Jason Harrison, the review of his medial application was conducted during the public meeting, after executive session had concluded. Before his application was discussed, Mr. Harrison acknowledged that members of the public in attendance at the meeting would see and hear the Board's discussion of his medical records, and that the discussion would continue to be accessible to the public after the meeting, because the meeting was being recorded, and the recording would be part of the public record. Mr. Harrison confirmed that he agreed to have his application considered in this way. Dr. Gerratana read a summary of the medical information submitted by Jason Harrison. Mr. Harrison answered questions posed by staff of the Retirement Services Division staff and members of the Medical Examining Board. After discussion had concluded, the following motions were made:

ADAMCZYK, CATHLEEN # 092737 SERVICE CONNECTED\* (RECON)  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to table Cathleen Adamczyk's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ASSING, KEYSHAUN # 145462 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to approve Keyshaun Assing's entitlement to Non Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CROWELL, SANDRA # 622548 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny Sandra Crowell's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DURGY, ROBERT # 422045 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny Robert Durgy's entitlement to Non Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DZIERLATKA, KRISTYNA # 041403 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to table Krystyna Dzierlatka's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

FERGUSON, SCOTT # 128865 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny Scott Ferguson's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement, but the Board would look favorably upon non-service connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

FERRARI, ALESSANDRO # 022812 SERVICE CONNECTED\*  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to table Alessandro Ferrari's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GARCIA, LILLIAN # 537486 SERVICE CONNECTED\*  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to table Lillian Garcia's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

HARRISON, JASON # 053613 SERVICE CONNECTED (CONT'D)  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny Jason Harrison's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement, but the Board would look favorably upon non-service connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

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

KEANE, SEAN # 962498 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to approve Sean Keane's entitlement to Non Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

KEMP, MARC # 599092 SERVICE CONNECTED\*  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to table Marc Kemp's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LOBBAN, EVERTON # 045223 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny Everton Lobban's entitlement to Non Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MALCOLM, SYLVIA # 029413 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to approve Sylvia Malcolm's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MCKENNA, SCOTT # 444580 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny Scott McKenna's entitlement to Non Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

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

ROMERO, NYDIA # 065277 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED (RECON)  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny Nydia Romero's entitlement to Non Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

TARTAGLIA, JENNIFER # 109069 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny Jennifer Tartaglia's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement, but the Board would look favorably upon non-service connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

TORRES, JENNIFER # 244343 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny Jennifer Torres' entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

TUBLAK, CHRISTINE # 165170 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to table Christine Tublak's entitlement to Non Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

VILLA, LOIS # 492076 SERVICE CONNECTED  
Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny Lois Villa's entitlement to Service Connected Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. So moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana to adjourn the meeting at 1:43 pm. Motion approved unanimously.