# MINUTES TO MEETING STATE OF CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2020

A Meeting to the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, September 25, 2020, 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:

Richard Blum, M.D., CHAIRPERSON Marianne Wudarsky, M.D. Frank Gerratana, M.D.

#### ABSENT:

J. Robert Galvin
Lynn Rudich, M.D.
Michael Gerstenfield, M.D.
Sheldon Nova, M.D.
So Sokpoleak, M.D.
Manny Katsetos, M.D.
Amarjeet Dargan, M.D.

Dr. Ralph Rosenberg, M.D.
Fielding Johnson, M.D.
Sachin Parekh, M.D.
Nicolai Lieders, M.D.
Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.
Eric T. Shore, M.D.

Debra Pollack, M.D.

#### OTHERS PRESENT:

Colin Newman, Assistant Director Retirement Division Annette Sadlowski, Disability Retirement 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 9:03 am.

Dr. Blum 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.

- 1. Barbarellen Olson and Attorney Justin Raymond appeared before the Board at 10:56 am. They made statements, and then they were excused by the Board at 11:15 am.
- Dr. Gerratana motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky at 12:05 pm.

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JEFFREY BARRETT D- 13021 SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to deny Jeffrey Barrett's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement, however the Board would look favorably upon Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JEREMY BUSA MD- 1623 SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to approve Jeremy Busa's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

PETER CASEY D- 13049 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to approve Peter Casey's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JAMES CONLEY D- 13009 SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny James Conley's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DIANE CORBITT D- 12951 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to approve Diane Corbitt's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GEORGE DENNING D- 12992 SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny George Denning's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement, however the Board would look favorably upon Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

PHILLIPPIA FLETCHER-DENOVELLIS D- 13005 SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to approve Phillippia Fletcher-DeNovellis' entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GARY HAMILTON D- 13066 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to approve Gary Hamilton's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ROSEMARIE HENNESSEY D- 12998 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to approve Rosemarie Hennessey's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JERALD JOHNS D- 13032 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny Jerald Johns' entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

SUZANNE LAPRISE D- 12970 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to approve Suzanne Laprise's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JACKIE MAHONEY D- 12877 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to approve Jackie Mahoney's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

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BEVERLY MURPHY D- 13084 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to approve Beverly Murphy's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

BARBARELLEN OLSON D- 12602 SERVICE CONNECTED (RECONSIDERATION)

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny Barbarellen Olson's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement, however the Board would look favorably upon Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CHRISTINE PANTANELLA D- 13014 SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to deny Christine Pantanella's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement, however the Board would look favorably upon Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CHESTER SEKLECKI D- 12976 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to approve Chester Seklecki's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

BRIAN SINCLAIR D- 12093 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to approve Brian Sinclair's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LAURA TORRES D- 12908 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to approve Laura Torres' entitlement to a Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

### ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Wudarsky moved, seconded by Dr. Blum to adjourn the meeting at 12:15 pm. Motion approved unanimously.