# MINUTES TO MEETING STATE OF CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD FRIDAY, AUGUST 27, 2021

A Meeting to the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, August 27, 2021, 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:

Lynn Rudich, M.D., CHAIRPERSON Ralph Rosenberg, M.D. Sheldon Nova, M.D.

#### ABSENT:

Eric T. Shore, M.D.

Vasantha Kainkaryam, M.D.

Nicolai Lieders, M.D.

Poleak So, M.D.

Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.

Manny Katsetos, M.D.

Amarjeet Dargan, M.D.

J. Robert Galvin, M.D.

Sachin Parekh, M.D.

Fielding Johnson, M.D.

Richard Blum, M.D.

Michael Gerstenfield, M.D.

Frank Gerratana, M.D.

#### OTHERS PRESENT:

Colin Newman, Assistant Director Retirement Division
Annette Sadlowski, Disability Retirement Unit, Retirement Services Division
Robert Helfand, Investigation & Recovery Unit, Retirement Division
William Cassada, Investigation & Recovery Unit, 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 9:07 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. Nova at 9:08 am. Members of the Retirement Services Division and the General Counsel to the Commission were invited to stay during Executive Session.

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Dr. Rudich motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Nova at 10:35 am.

JOY BABCOCK D- 12973 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to approve Joy Babcock's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

SHARON BELLIVEAU D- 13155 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Sharon Belliveau's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MARAGRET CARDONA D- 12587 SERVICE-CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to deny Margaret Cardona's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

TALICIA CLARKE D- 13226 SERVICE-CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to deny Talicia Clarke's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved by majority. Roll Call: Question: the motion is to deny Talicia Clarke's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement: Dr. Rudich agrees, Dr. Nova agrees and Dr. Rosenberg dissents.

JORGE CLAUDIO D- 13238 SERVICE-CONNECTED

Dr. Nova moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to approve Jorge Claudio's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved by majority. Roll Call: Question: the motion is to approve Jorge Claudio's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement: Dr. Rosenberg agrees, Dr. Nova agrees and Dr. Rudich dissents.

CARLOS GONZALEZ D- 13241 SERVICE-CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to deny Carlos Gonzalez's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement, however the Board would look favorably upon a Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved by majority. Roll Call: Dr. Rudich agrees, Dr. Nova agrees and Dr. Rosenberg dissents.

TANYA HINDS D- 13167 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to approve Tanya Hinds' entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JASON MASSAI D- 13125 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to approve Jason Massai's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MICHAEL McCARGO MD- 1641 SERVICE-CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to deny Michael McCargo's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ROWAN MONINGTON D- 13233 SERVICE-CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to deny Rowan Monington's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

PATRICK O'BRIEN D- 13234 NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to approve Patrick O'Brien's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

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RUDY RECINOS D- 13232 SERVICE-CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to deny Rudy Recinos' entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JORGE RIVERA MD- 1644 SERVICE-CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Jorge Rivera's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ARCENA ROGET-PRIVOTT D- 12678 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Arcena Roget-Privott's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

KEVIN TROSKY D- 13228 SERVICE-CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to approve Kevin Trosky's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved by majority. Roll Call: Question: the motion is to approve Kevin Trosky's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Dr. Rosenberg agrees, Dr. Nova agrees and Dr. Rudich dissents.

KEITH WHITE D- 13145 CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova, to approve Keith White's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Dr. Rudich moved, seconded by Dr. Nova to adjourn the meeting at 10:46 am. Motion approved unanimously.