MINUTES TO MEETING STATE OF CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 2022

A Meeting to the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, March 18, 2022, 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:

Sachin Parekh, M.D., CHAIRPERSON Manny Katsetos, M.D. Richard Blum, M.D.

ABSENT:

Frank Gerratana, M.D.

Lynn Rudich, M.D.

Michael Gerstenfeld, M.D.

Eric T. Shore, M.D.

Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.

Nicolai Lieders, M.D.

Ralph Rosenberg, M.D.

Lynn Rudich, M.D.

J. Robert Galvin, M.D.

Sokpoleak So, M.D.

Amarjeet Dargan, M.D.

Sheldon Nova, M.D.

Vasanth Kainkaryam, 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 9:02 am.

Dr. Parekh motioned to go into the Executive Session to discuss medical condition(s) related to the applications for Disability Retirement, seconded by Dr. Blum at 9:03 am. Members of the Retirement Services Division and the General Counsel to the Commission were invited to stay during Executive Session.

- Dr. Parekh motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Blum at 11:47 am.
 - 1. Crystal Santopietro appeared on Zoom before the Board at 11:09 am. She made a statement and was excused by the Board at 11:26 am.

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JOY BABCOCK D- 12973 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to continue Joy Babcock's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

EUGENE BROWN D- 12912 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to continue Eugene Brown's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADAM CORCORAN D- 12967 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to continue Adam Corcoran's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

KELLY COVIELLO D- 12950 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to table Kelly Coviello's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

NANCY FOLEY D- 12956 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to table Nancy Foley's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

BRENDA HOUDE D- 12924 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to continue Brenda Houde's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

SUZANNE LAPRISE D- 12970 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

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

TRACY LOVELL D- 12965 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to table Tracy Lovell's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JACKIE MAHONEY D- 12877 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to continue Jackie Mahoney's entitlement to Change to Non-S/C Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JASON MASSAI D- 13125 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to table Jason Massai's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CHRISTOPHER ROBERT D- 12941 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to table Christopher Robert's for a Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

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DANNETTE RODRIGUEZ

D- 12586

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to table Dannette Rodriguez's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CRYSTAL SANTOPIETRO

D-12826

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to continue Crystal Santopietro's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MARCUS THOMAS

D- 12708

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to table Marcus Thomas' entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved by majority decision. Dr. Katsetos abstains.

Continued Entitlement Pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding of August 6, 2015

JOSEPH CEFARATTI

D-12886

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to continue Joseph Cefaratti's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DRU COLEMAN

D-13288

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to continue Dru Coleman's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JODI ERDOS

D- 12850

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to continue Jodi Erdos' entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

PETER MARCHESE

D-12961

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Gerratana moved, seconded by Dr. Lieders, to continue Peter Marchese's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

RICHARD SARTINI

D-13306

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to continue Richard Sartini's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Blum to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 am. Motion approved unanimously.