MINUTES TO MEETING STATE OF CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2021

A Meeting to the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, September 10, 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:

Sachin Parekh, M.D., CHAIRPERSON Ralph Rosenberg, M.D. Sokpoleak So, M.D.

ABSENT:

J. Robert Galvin, M.D.
Eric T. Shore, M.D.
Lynn Rudich, M.D.
Sheldon Nova, M.D.
Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.
Manny Katsetos, M.D.
Amarjeet Dargan, 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 9:08 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. Rosenberg at 9:08 am. Members of the Retirement Services Division and the General Counsel to the Commission were invited to stay during Executive Session.

- 1. Cruz Cruz-Heremuru and Attorney Russell appeared on Zoom before the Board at 9:42 am. They made statements and then they were excused by the Board at 10:02 am.
- 2. Greg Murdy appeared on Zoom before the Board at 10:24 am. He made a statement and then was excused by the Board at 10:35 am.

Dr. Parekh motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg at 11:11 am.

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EDWINA ANDERSON-TUNING

D- 12866

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Edwina Anderson-Tuning's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JOSE AYALA

D- 12576

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Jose Ayala's entitlement to Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

SANDRA BOYLE

D- 12491

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. So, to discontinue Sandra Boyle's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CRUZ CRUZ-HEREMURU

D-12268

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. So, to discontinue Cruz Cruz-Heremuru's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved by unanimously.

BEVERLEY DIXSON

D- 12878

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Beverley Dixson's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GREG MURDY

D- 12222

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. So, to table Greg Murdy's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved by majority. Roll Call: Question to table Greg Murdy's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement.: Dr. Parehk agrees, Dr. So agrees and Dr. Rosenberg opposes

GREGORY NILAN

D- 12853

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to discontinue Gregory Nilan's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MICHAEL OVERTON

D- 12683

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. So, to continue Michael Overton's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

PAULA PINTO

D- 12795

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, to continue Paula Pinto's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

HOPE SEARLES

D- 12881

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. So, to discontinue Hope Searle's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

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

ANNE CAREY

D-12665

CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. So, to continue Anne Carey's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

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DENISE DAVIS D- 13170 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. So, to continue Denise Davis' entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

KELLY FISHER D- 12835 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. So, to continue Kelly Fisher's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GAIL GADSDEN D- 12841 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. So, to continue Gail Gadsden's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ROBERT IVES D- 13211 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. So, to continue Robert Ives' entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

THOMAS KUZARA D- 13196 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. So, to continue Thomas Kuzara's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

CHERYL REED D- 13098 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. So, to continue Cheryl Reed's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JOSEPH TREUSCH D- 12847 CONTINUED ENTITLEMENT

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. So, to continue Joseph Treusch's entitlement to Disability Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Parekh moved, seconded by Dr. Rosenberg to adjourn the meeting at 11:18 am. Motion approved unanimously.