STATE OF CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

JUNE 26, 2020 MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM CONVENED AT 9:09 a.m.

Board Members Participating: Nikolia Lieders, M.D. Richard Blum, M.D. J. Robert Galvin, M.D.

Board Members Observing: Marianne Wudarsky, M.D. Sohrab Zahedi, M.D.

Also Present: Cindy Cieslak, General Counsel, Rose Kallor Colin Newman, Retirement Services Division Annette Sadlowski, Disability Retirement Division

Karen Vibert, LSR #00064

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- (Proceeding convened at 9:09 a.m.) 1
- 2 DR. LIEDERS: Good morning. The June 26,
- 3 2020 meeting of the Medical Examining Board is now
- in session. We are meeting online through Zoom. 4
- Present are myself, Nikolai Lieders, also Dr. Blum
- 6 and Dr. Galvin, members of the Medical Examining
- Board. From the office the State Comptroller,
- Retirement Services Division, we have
- Annette Sadlowski and Colin Newman. General counsel 9
- for the Retirement Commission, Cindy Cieslak. 10
- we have new members who will be observing the 11
- meeting, Marianne Wudarsky and Dr. Sohrab Zahedi. 12 Ι
- 13 hope I'm pronouncing the name correctly.
- 14 So I guess we are ready to go into
- 15 executive session. I make a motion to go into
- executive session. 16
- 17 DR. GALVIN: Second.
- 18 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion?
- discussion. All in favor say aye. All opposed say 19
- 20 nay. We are now in executive session, so I'm going
- 21 to --
- 22 MS. CIESLAK: Real quick, Dr. Blum, before
- 23 we transition into executive session, for executive
- 24 session are you inviting Annette, Colin,
- 25 Dr. Wudarsky, Dr. Zahedi and myself?

- DR. LIEDERS: Yes. I'm sorry. I assumed
- 2 that was in place, but I guess it's not. You're
- 3 correct. Yes, I am inviting them to participate in
- 4 the executive session, please.
- 5 MS. CIESLAK: It's always good to put it
- 6 on the record. Thank you very much. All right.
- 7 (The Committee was in executive session
- 8 from 9:10 a.m. until 10:58 a.m.)
- 9 DR. LIEDERS: So now we're going to be
- 10 voting on the determinations. Should we do --
- 11 Cindy, would you do the honors of -- we'll do it
- 12 together. I'll make the motion and you'll --
- MS. CIESLAK: Yes, I will assist.
- Just a reminder. The recording is on
- 15 for the public session requirements of the public
- 16 meeting. Dr. Lieders, you were just speaking. So
- 17 for the record, Dr. Lieders was speaking before me.
- 18 Just a reminder that if you speak, state your name,
- 19 please.
- DR. LIEDERS: You mean my name?
- 21 MS. CIESLAK: Yes. Then whoever would
- 22 second the motion should say what their name is and
- 23 then second.
- 24 DR. LIEDERS: My name is Nikolai Lieders.
- 25 I will be reading -- I will be presenting the names

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- 1 for us to vote.
- 2 First note the Medical Examining
- 3 Board would like to approve Erika Bonaccorso's
- 4 application for non-service-connected disability
- 5 retirement.
- DR. BLUM: Second.
- 7 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
- 8 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 9 passes.
- 10 DR. LIEDERS: Second is to approve
- 11 Patricia Brown's application for
- 12 non-service-connected disability.
- DR. BLUM: Second.
- MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
- 15 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 16 passes.
- 17 DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to deny
- 18 Joseph Cefaratti's application for service-connected
- 19 disability retirement.
- DR. BLUM: Second.
- 21 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
- 22 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 23 passes.
- 24 DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to
- 25 approve Adam Corcoran's application for

- 1 service-connected disability retirement.
- DR. GALVIN: Second.
- 3 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
- 4 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 5 passes.
- 6 DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to
- 7 approve Kelly Coviello's application for
- 8 service-connected disability retirement.
- 9 DR. BLUM: Second.
- 10 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
- 11 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 12 passes.
- 13 DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to
- 14 approve Patricia Creel's application for
- 15 service-connected disability retirement.
- DR. BLUM: Second.
- 17 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
- 18 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 19 passes.
- 20 DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to deny
- 21 Bruno Delmonaco's application for service-connected
- 22 disability retirement; however, the Medical
- 23 Examining Board will look favorably upon a
- 24 non-service-connected disability retirement.
- DR. GALVIN: Second.

- 1 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
- 2 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 3 passes.
- 4 DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to
- 5 approve Linda Dame's application for
- 6 non-service-connected disability retirement.
- 7 DR. BLUM: Second.
- 8 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
- 9 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 10 passes.
- DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to deny
- 12 Angel Echevarria's application for
- 13 non-service-connected disability retirement.
- DR. GALVIN: Second.
- MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in
- 16 favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 17 passes.
- 18 DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to
- 19 approve Sherry Hawk's request to change her
- 20 application to non-service-connected disability
- 21 retirement.
- DR. BLUM: Second.
- 23 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
- 24 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 25 passes.

- DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to deny
- 2 Mayra Holbrook's application for service-connected
- 3 disability retirement.
- 4 DR. BLUM: Second.
- 5 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
- 6 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 7 passes.
- 8 DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to table
- 9 William Kenney's application for
- 10 non-service-connected disability retirement.
- DR. GALVIN: Second.
- MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
- in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 14 passes.
- DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to
- 16 approve Dwight Judy's application for
- 17 non-service-connected disability retirement.
- DR. BLUM: Second.
- 19 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
- 20 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 21 passes.
- DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to
- 23 approve Brett MacNamara's application to
- 24 non-service-connected disability retirement.
- DR. BLUM: Second.

- 1 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in
- 2 favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 3 passes.
- DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to deny
- 5 Maureen Marcille's application for
- 6 non-service-connected disability retirement.
- 7 DR. BLUM: Second.
- 8 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
- 9 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 10 passes.
- DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to deny
- 12 Faith Marselli's application for service-connected
- 13 disability retirement; however, the Board will look
- 14 favorably upon a non-service-connected disability
- 15 retirement.
- DR. GALVIN: Second.
- 17 MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All
- 18 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 19 passes.
- 20 DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to
- 21 approve Heather Paladino's request to change her
- 22 application to non-service-connected disability
- 23 retirement.
- DR. GALVIN: Second.
- MS. CIESLAK: Any further discussion? All

- 1 in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 2 passes.
- DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to deny
- 4 Theresa Palmieri's application for
- 5 non-service-connected disability retirement.
- DR. GALVIN: Second.
- 7 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in
- 8 favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 9 passes.
- DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to
- 11 approve Henri Plaisimon's application to a
- 12 non-service-connected disability retirement.
- DR. BLUM: Second.
- 14 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in
- 15 favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 16 passes.
- DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to
- 18 approve Robert Reilly's application to
- 19 non-service-connected disability retirement.
- DR. BLUM: Second.
- 21 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in
- 22 favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 23 passes.
- 24 DR. LIEDERS: I'll make a motion to
- 25 approve Patricia Russo's application for

- 1 non-service-connected disability retirement.
- 2 DR. GALVIN: Second.
- MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in
- 4 favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 5 passes.
- 6 DR. LIEDERS: And finally I make a motion
- 7 to approve Meiline Smith's application for
- 8 service-connected disability retirement.
- 9 DR. GALVIN: Second.
- 10 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in
- 11 favor say aye. All opposed say nay. The motion
- 12 passes.
- DR. LIEDERS: Before we adjourn, is there
- 14 any further official meeting that we have to
- 15 transact today?
- MS. CIESLAK: I don't think so but,
- 17 Annette, let me know if there is anything else.
- MS. SADLOWKI: No.
- 19 DR. LIEDERS: So I make a motion to
- 20 adjourn today's meeting.
- 21 DR. GALVIN: Second.
- 22 MS. CIESLAK: Any discussion? All in
- 23 favor say aye. All opposed say nay. All right. We
- 24 are adjourned.
- 25 (Concluded at 11:06 a.m.)

Page 11 1 STATE OF CONNECTICUT: ss: Bristol 2. COUNTY OF HARTFORD 3 4 I, Karen Vibert, LSR No. 00064, a 5 Notary Public for the State of Connecticut, do hereby 6 certify that the preceding pages are an accurate 7 transcription of the Connecticut Medical Examining 8 Board regular meeting held electronically via Zoom, 9 convening at 9:09 a.m., on June 26, 2020. 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 Dated at Bristol, Connecticut, this 2nd_ day of July, 20 2020. 21 22 23 24 Karen Vibert, Notary Public 25 My commission expires: 08/31/2024.

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