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FINAL MINUTES FOR SPECIAL TELECONFERENCE MEETING

Held on Wednesday, January 7, 2026

1740 W. Adams St., Phoenix, Arizona

Board Members

Gary R. Figge, M.D., Chair
Bruce A. Bethancourt, M.D., F.A.C.P., Vice-Chair
Laura Dorrell, M.S.N., R.N., Secretary
Katie S. Artz, M.D., M.S.
Jodi A. Bain, M.A., J.D., LL.M.
David C. Beyer, M.D., F.A.C.R., F.A.S.T.R.O.
R. Screven Farmer, M.D.
James M. Gillard, M.D., M.S., F.A.C.E.P., F.A.A.E.M.

GENERAL BUSINESS

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Figge called the meeting to order at: 5:06 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

The following Board members participated virtually: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

ALSO PRESENT

The following Board staff participated in the meeting: Raquel Rivera, Executive Director; Claude Deschamps, M.D., Chief Medical Consultant; Nicole Samaradellis, Investigations Manager; and Michelle Robles, Board Operations Manager. Carrie Smith, Assistant Attorney General (“AAG”) also participated in the meeting.

C. PUBLIC STATEMENTS REGARDING MATTERS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

Individuals who addressed the Board during the Public Statements portion of the meeting appear beneath the case.

D. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

- Update on Board Appointments
Ms. Rivera reported that she met with Senator Warner and supports getting appointments and requested she work with the Governor’s office. Ms. Rivera noted that she has a meeting scheduled with the Governor’s office regarding a list of potential appointments.

Dr. Gillard suggested that the gaps with no appointments be filled first.
- FSMB Annual Meeting
Ms. Rivera reminded Board members of the annual meeting and requested that interested members contact staff for scholarships.

- Update on AMB Sunset Audit Status
Ms. Rivera reported that the audit remains in progress and the draft is anticipated to be released in March and the final in April.
- Optimization of Call to Public Process
Ms. Rivera reported that staff is utilizing a new registration process for the Call to Public process to make it more efficient.

E. CHAIR'S REPORT

- Discussion on Upcoming Elections and Possible Leadership Transition
Dr. Figge noted that every February there is elections of the Chair, Vice-Chair or Secretary and if anyone is interested let him or Ms. Rivera know.

F. LEGAL ADVISOR'S REPORT

No report was given.

G. DISCUSSION REGARDING DEBRIEFING ON BOARD PROCESSES

Board Members discussed the nuances and differences of using Google Meets since this was the first meeting on this new platform.

H. BOARD MEMBER TRAINING ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Ms. Smith provided conflict of interest training for Board members and staff.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There were no minutes to approve.

LEGAL MATTERS

J. REVIEW, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PROPOSED BOARD ORDER ARISING FROM ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RECOMMENDED DECISION

1. THIS CASE HAS BEEN MOVED TO ITEM J.

K. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S CERTIFIED FINAL DECISION.

1. MD-23-0694A, AMMAR ALSHEIKH, M.D., LIC. #34325
Seth Hargraves, AAG participated virtually on behalf of the State. Deannie Reh, AAG participated as the Board's Independent Legal Advisor.

Ms. Reh advised the Board that the Board needs to implement the CME Order as a final Order.

Dr. Figge noted that the physician has accepted the ALJ's recommended decision.

Mr. Hargraves clarified that the Advisory Letter has already been issued and is not appealable. The CME Order was appealable, there was a hearing and the ALJ made a decision. The other side accepted that decision and that order is now final. Mr. Hargraves stated that it is the State's position that the Board should follow up and issue the CME Order as directed.

Ms. Bain and Dr. Figge requested clarification on whether the Board needs to make a motion since the ALJ decision has been accepted and certified.

Ms. Reh confirmed that the Board does not need to do anything further other than to instruct Board staff to issue the order. Dr. Figge directed staff to issue the order.

L. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SETTLEMENT OFFER IN LIEU OF FORMAL HEARING

1. MD-25-0012A, LAURA HARRINGTON, M.D., LIC. #24671

Dr. Harrington participated virtually with counsel Michael Goldberg. Carrie Smith, AAG participated virtually on behalf of the State. Deannie Reh, AAG participated as the Board's Independent Legal Advisor.

Ms. Smith reported there was a motion to continue the settlement conference at the October meeting to allow Board staff to complete the investigation and to allow Dr. Harrington to consider the Board's position on the Dr. Harrington's request for approval of an alternative program. Ms. Smith further noted that there has since been a change in Dr. Harrington's representation. Ms. Smith informed the Board that the investigation process is almost completed and staff is expecting the final report for Respondent's review shortly. Then the case will be set for SIRC review. Ms. Smith requested an additional 60 day continuance to wrap up the process and allow the parties to see if a settlement is possible. Otherwise, the State is ready to proceed to formal hearing.

Mr. Goldberg stated that he is hopeful that we can get to a point where Dr. Harrington can get off suspension.

MOTION: Dr. Gillard moved to continue the Settlement Conference for sixty days in lieu of Formal Hearing.

SECOND: Dr. Artz.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

CONSENT AGENDA

M. CASES RECOMMENDED FOR DISMISSAL

1. MD-23-0611A, KASHIF ALVI, M.D., LIC. #43978

MOTION: Dr. Gillard moved to dismiss.

SECOND: Dr. Bethancourt.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

N. CASES RECOMMENDED FOR ADVISORY LETTERS

MOTION: Dr. Beyer moved to issue an Advisory Letter in item numbers 1, 3, 4, 6 and 7.

SECOND: Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

1. MD-24-1072A, TODD L. JACKSON, M.D., LIC. #52840

RESOLUTION: Advisory Letter for action taken by the Nevada Board. While there is insufficient evidence to support disciplinary action, the board believes that continuation of the activities that led to the investigation may result in further board action against the licensee.

2. MD-25-0497A, VIDALIA M. BUTLER-POKU, M.D., LIC. #33705

Dr. Butler-Poku addressed the Board during the Public Statements portion of the meeting.

Dr. Artz opined that this was not an emergent case and that the delay does not warrant an Advisory Letter.

MOTION: Dr. Artz moved to dismiss.

SECOND: Dr. Bethancourt.

Dr. Bethancourt commented that there seemed to be a lot of confusion. When the physician called to follow up, they didn't know where the patient went. Dr. Figge stated that it appears that the patient had left and it sounds like there was some level of a system failure. Dr. Figge noted that the physician has taken measures to ensure that this doesn't happen again.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

3. MD-25-0212A, SHAWN F. HERMENA, M.D., LIC. #36539

RESOLUTION: Advisory Letter for failing to establish or maintain adequate records to support a valid physician-patient relationship prior to prescribing medications. While there is insufficient evidence to support disciplinary action, the board believes that continuation of the activities that led to the investigation may result in further board action against the licensee.

4. MD-24-0808A, DAVID A. PARRY, M.D., LIC. #35015

Dr. Artz and Dr. Farmer stated that they know the physician but that it would not affect their ability to adjudicate the case. Dr. Figge stated he also knows of him, but it does not affect his ability to adjudicate the case.

RESOLUTION: Advisory Letter for failing to timely reevaluate an infant with the diagnosis of moderate laryngomalacia. While there is insufficient evidence to support disciplinary action, the board believes that continuation of the activities that led to the investigation may result in further board action against the licensee.

5. MD-24-1144A, CHRISTOPHER A. IANNOTTI, M.D., LIC. #43972

Counsel Ms. Maxwell addressed the Board during the public statements portion of the meeting on behalf of the physician.

Dr. Gillard questioned why SIRC would think that someone should have an Advisory Letter for not using anti-coagulation on a patient that was operated on for a hemorrhage. Dr. Gillard further commented that it was more than a couple months later the patient did have the PE after this physician was totally off the case

MOTION: Dr. Gillard moved to dismiss.

SECOND: Dr. Bethancourt.

Dr. Bethancourt agreed and commented that this was a spinal surgical case that dealt with hemorrhage. While it was under the neurosurgeon's care there was mechanical prevention and a low dose of Heparin used. Two months later this event occurred and he may have needed something, but Dr. Bethancourt opined that the neurosurgeon is not the one responsible.

Dr. Deschamps commented that SIRC's discussion was about who was responsible to order and communicate the need for anti-coagulation, not on the indication for anti-coagulation.

Board staff noted that this was an A and B case, where staff recommended an Advisory Letter in the B case as well but it has not come to the Board yet.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

6. MD-23-0615A, ALKESHKUMAR H. PATEL, M.D., LIC. #35747

RESOLUTION: Advisory Letter for non-compliance with dispensing reporting requirements and for dispensing without a registration. While the licensee has demonstrated substantial compliance through rehabilitation or remediation that has mitigated the need for disciplinary action, the board believes that repetition of the activities that led to the investigation may result in further board action against the licensee.

7. MD-24-1171A, MICHAEL M. JOHNSON, M.D., LIC. #12960

RESOLUTION: Advisory Letter for failing to monitor a patient for potential side effects and intolerance to a GLP-1 agonist medication and inappropriate patient communication. While there is insufficient evidence to support disciplinary action, the board believes that continuation of the activities that led to the investigation may result in further board action against the licensee.

O. CASES RECOMMENDED FOR ADVISORY LETTERS WITH NON-DISCIPLINARY CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION ORDERS

MOTION: Dr. Bethancourt moved to issue an Advisory Letter with Non-Disciplinary CME order in item numbers 1 and 2.

SECOND: Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

1. MD-24-1187A, GARY M. PRINCE, M.D., LIC. #27475

RESOLUTION: Advisory Letter and Order for Non-Disciplinary CME for failing to obtain and document vital signs in a patient prescribed stimulants. While there is insufficient evidence to support disciplinary action, the board believes that continuation of the activities that led to the investigation may result in further board action against the licensee. Within six months, complete no less than 3 hours of Board staff pre-approved Category I CME in Clinical Skills in Telemedicine offered by Johns Hopkins University. The CME hours shall be in addition to the hours required for license renewal.

2. MD-24-0169A, ROB F. SCHUSTER, M.D., LIC. #35558

A.S. addressed the Board during the public statements portion of the meeting.

RESOLUTION: Advisory Letter and Order for Non-Disciplinary CME for failing to perform an adequate pre-operative evaluation and inadequate documentation. While there is insufficient evidence to support disciplinary action, the board believes that continuation of the activities that led to the investigation may result in further board action against the licensee. Within six months, complete no less than 10 hours of Board staff pre-approved Category I CME in an intensive, in person (virtual) course regarding medical recordkeeping. The CME hours shall be in addition to the hours required for license renewal.

P. REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DISMISSALS

MOTION: Dr. Beyer moved to uphold the Executive Director Dismissal in line items 1, 2, 3, 6, 8 and 9.

SECOND: Dr. Bethancourt.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

1. MD-25-0160A, SIMRAN S. KAPUR, M.D., LIC. #51003

RESOLUTION: Dismissal upheld.

2. MD-24-0970A, KENNETH R. PETERSEN, M.D., LIC. #64419

Counsel Heather Macre addressed the Board during the Public Statements portion of the meeting on behalf of the physician. F.J. addressed the Board during the Public Statements portion of the meeting.

RESOLUTION: Dismissal upheld.

3. MD-25-0021A, MICHAEL R. HAYMAN, M.D., LIC. #34763

Counsel Cory Tyszka addressed the Board during the Public Statements portion of the meeting on behalf of the physician.

RESOLUTION: Dismissal upheld.

4. MD-24-0588A, KYLE J. SANNIEC, M.D., LIC. #60973

K.G. addressed the Board during the public statements portion of the meeting.

Dr. Gillard opined that this seems like a complicated case that needs another look. Dr. Gillard stated that the question is how long this dislocation was and the fact that it scarred where it couldn't be reduced. Dr. Gillard opined that this seemed like a significant injury. Dr. Gillard opined that this needs to be looked into further.

MOTION: Dr. Gillard moved to return this case for further investigation for another MC review.

SECOND: Dr. Bethancourt.

Dr. Bethancourt noted that the complainant made a statement that this was a hand surgeon. He is a plastic surgeon who specializes in facial reconstruction. Dr. Figge commented that there are a number of different specialties that can do a fellowship in hand surgery, including plastic surgeons..

Board staff noted that that an MC review is typically needed prior to going to SIRC and requested clarification on if another MC review is wanted.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

5. MD-25-0535A, SAI S. RAPROLU, M.D., LIC. #R80737

J.V. addressed the Board during the Public Statements portion of the meeting.

Dr. Gillard commented that the MC didn't find trouble with the treatment but had comments regarding errors in the medical records. Dr. Gillard further noted that the MC opined that the physician should have seen the patient as the person who wrote the prescription.

MOTION: Dr. Gillard moved to return this case for further investigation for another MC review.

SECOND: Dr. Farmer.

Dr. Farmer agreed that it was disturbing that the physician himself didn't see the patient. Dr. Farmer further commented that this medical record issue is a system problem. Dr. Bethancourt agreed that it is a pervasive issue and we could all agree that it needs to be fixed so that only have pertinent information in a record. Board members discussed that this a broader issue at a national level and needs to be referred to the appropriate organization to address. Dr. Figge agreed that this should be looked at again and questioned if staff need to consider looking at the supervising physician.

Ms. Rivera agreed that staff can look at the Board's concerns as well as the supervision issue. Ms. Rivera further noted that she has a meeting with ARMA soon and will mention it.

Dr. Artz commented that it is important to note that once practices began transitioning to EMR's they were taught to use templates and use scribes. Now they are starting to use AI scribes.

Ms. Rivera further explained that if a case needs to be opened against the supervising physician staff has the option to do so.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

6. MD-24-1068A, BURAK ALTINTAS, M.D., LIC. #67463

Counsel Callie Maxwell addressed the Board during the Public Statements portion of the meeting on behalf of the physician.

RESOLUTION: Dismissal upheld.

7. MD-24-0586A, MICHAEL S. FRUCHTER, M.D., LIC. #40501

MOTION: Dr. Gillard moved to return the case for further investigation.

SECOND: Dr. Bethancourt.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

8. MD-24-1078A, JOHN WALLACE, M.D., LIC. #52631

Counsel Callie Maxwell addressed the Board during the Public Statements portion of the meeting on behalf of the physician. C.B., A.B. and C.B. also addressed the Board during the Public Statements portion of the meeting

RESOLUTION: Dismissal upheld.

9. MD-23-1257A, SANJAY RAMAKUMAR, M.D., LIC. #29557

RESOLUTION: Dismissal upheld.

10. THIS CASE HAS BEEN PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.

Q. PROPOSED CONSENT AGREEMENTS (Disciplinary)

MOTION: Dr. Gillard moved to accept the consent agreement in item numbers 1 and 2.

SECOND: Dr. Bethancourt.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

1. MD-23-1045A, ROSS A. HORSLEY, M.D., LIC. #40894

RESOLUTION: Consent Agreement for a Letter of Reprimand and Probation. Dr. Horsley shall remain in compliance with the New York Board Order, and periodic reports shall be submitted to the Board regarding the status of his compliance. The Probation shall not terminate except upon affirmative request of the physician and

approval by the Board, and Dr. Horsley's request for termination shall demonstrate that the New York Order has been terminated.

2. MD-24-0739A, MICHAEL E. PRATER, M.D., LIC. #28430

RESOLUTION: Consent Agreement for a Letter of Reprimand and Probation. Within six months, complete no less than 10 hours of Board staff pre-approved Category I CME in an intensive, in person (virtual) course regarding medical recordkeeping, and complete no less than the 5 hours of Board staff pre-approved Category I CME in the evaluation and treatment of neck masses. The CME hours shall be in addition to the hours required for license renewal. The Probation shall terminate upon proof of successful completion of the CME coursework.

R. LICENSE APPLICATIONS

i. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE OR DENY LICENSE APPLICATION, OR TAKE OTHER ACTION

MOTION: Dr. Gillard moved to grant the license in item numbers 1-5.

SECOND: Dr. Bethancourt.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

1. MD-25-0898A, CLAUDIA HRIESIK, M.D., LIC. #N/A

Counsel Flynn Carey addressed the Board during the Public Statements portion of the meeting on behalf of the physician.

RESOLUTION: License granted.

2. MD-25-0295A, ROBERT D. BLOCH, M.D., LIC. #N/A

RESOLUTION: License granted.

3. MD-25-0866A, CRAIG A. MAC LEAN, M.D., LIC. #N/A

RESOLUTION: License granted.

4. MD-25-0761A, MED DAN, M.D., LIC. #N/A

RESOLUTION: License granted.

5. MD-25-0509A, NIKKI S. VYAS, M.D., LIC. #N/A

RESOLUTION: License granted.

ii. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE OR DENY LICENSE APPLICATION, OR TAKE OTHER ACTION WITH STAFF RECOMMENDATION

1. MD-25-0232A, STEVE FANTO, M.D., LIC. #N/A

Counsel Sara Stark addressed the Board during the Public Statements portion of the meeting on behalf of the physician.

MOTION: Dr. Bethancourt. moved to offer the physician the opportunity to withdraw his license application in lieu of a formal license denial. If not withdrawn within 30 days, deny the license based on A.R.S. § 32-1422(A)(3)(4) and (C).

SECOND: Dr. Farmer.

Dr. Figge acknowledged Ms. Stark's request for a licensing interview.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED

2. MD-25-0719A, PETER TSAI, M.D., LIC. #N/A

Counsel Sara Stark addressed the Board during the Public Statement's portion of the meeting on behalf of the physician.

MOTION: moved to offer the physician the opportunity to withdraw his license application in lieu of a formal license denial. If not withdrawn within 30 days, deny the license based on A.R.S. §§ 32-1422(A)(4), (5), (7) and (C).

SECOND: Dr. Gillard.

Dr. Gillard noted that even though the physician has done a lot, the Board's statute does not allow licensure due to the revocation in Ohio.

Ms. Smith confirmed that the Board's statute does allow for the Board to consider remediation for applicants with licenses revoked in other states. In response to Dr. Gillard's request about whether the analysis would be different if the applicant got his Ohio license reinstated. Ms. Smith further explained that historically, the Board has evaluated applicants based on the status of the license at the time of application.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED

iii. **REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPLICANT'S REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENT**

MOTION: Dr. Gillard moved to grant the request for waivers and grant the license in item numbers 1 and 2.

SECOND: Dr. Bethancourt.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

1. CANDACE S. WATTS, M.D., LIC. # N/A

RESOLUTION: Request for waiver granted and license granted.

2. JOEL R. WUSSOW, M.D., LIC. # N/A

RESOLUTION: Request for waiver granted and license granted.

iv. **REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING LICENSE REACTIVATION AND RECOMMENDED ADVISORY LETTER**

1. MD-22-1091A, MONTE J. SCHWARTZ, M.D., LIC. #33951

Counsel Flynn Carey addressed the Board during the Public Statements portion of the meeting on behalf of the physician.

Dr. Gillard noted that the physician had inactivated his license but practiced in New York, which goes against the Board's statutes.

MOTION: Dr. Gillard moved to reactivate the license and issue an Advisory Letter for practicing medicine in another jurisdiction with an inactive Arizona license.

The violation is a minor or technical violation that is not of sufficient merit to warrant disciplinary action.

SECOND: Dr. Beyer.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

The following Board member abstained: Ms. Bain.

VOTE: 7-yay, 0-nay, 1-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

OTHER BUSINESS

S. GENERAL CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No individuals addressed the Board during the General Call to the Public.

T. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Dr. Bethancourt moved for adjournment.

SECOND: Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: The following Board members voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Figge, Dr. Bethancourt, Ms. Dorrell, Dr. Artz, Ms. Bain, Dr. Beyer, Dr. Farmer and Dr. Gillard.

VOTE: 8-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.



Raquel Rivera

Raquel Rivera, Executive Director