

APPROVED
VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE
FORMAL HEARING MINUTES OCTOBER 17, 2019
Department of Health Professions
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201
Henrico, VA

CALL TO ORDER: A panel of the Board was called to order at 12:31 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lori Conklin, M.D., Chair
Kenneth Walker, M.D.
Brenda Stokes, M.D.
Alvin Edwards, Ph.D.
Karen Ransone, M.D.
Svinder Toor, M.D.
Manjit Dhillon, M.D.

BOARD COUNSEL: Carrie Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline
Jennie Wood, Case Manager, Discipline

COURT REPORTER: Cindy Farrell, Farnsworth & Taylor Reporting, LLC

PARTIES ON BEHALF OF COMMONWEALTH: Tracy Robinson, Adjudication Specialist

RESPONDENT WITNESSES: John Mark O'Shea, LCSW
Dennis E. Ohman, Ph.D.
George H. Hettrick
Jason Lee, M.D.

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Michael John Carlson, M.D. License No.:0101-054349**
Case No.: 194676

DISCUSSION: Dr. Carlson appeared before the Board in person in accordance with the Board's Notice of Formal Hearing dated May 13, 2019. Dr. Carlson was represented by Christopher M. Malone, Esquire.

The Board received evidence and sworn testimony from witnesses called by the parties and from Dr. Carlson regarding his petition for reinstatement of his license.

CLOSED SESSION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Edwards, and duly seconded by Dr. Stokes, the Board voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711.A (27) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter Dr. Carlson. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Mitchell, Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Wood attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Board in its deliberations.

RECONVENE:

Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Board re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Stokes, and duly seconded by Dr. Edwards, the Board made certain findings of fact and conclusions of law and voted to reinstate Dr. Carlson's license upon terms and conditions.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

The decision shall be effective upon the entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusions, and decisions of this formal hearing panel.



Lori Conklin, M.D., Chair

Date

10/17/19



William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

Date

11/6/19

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CALL TO ORDER: A panel of the Board was called to order at 1:03 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin O'Connor, M.D., Chair
Syed Ali, M.D.
L. Blanton Marchese
James Arnold, D.P.M.
Jacob Miller, D.O.
David Archer, M.D.

BOARD COUNSEL: Erin Barrett, Assistant Attorney General

STAFF PRESENT: William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director of the Board
Tamika Hines, Case Manager, Discipline

COURT REPORTER: Ginger Letchford, Farnsworth & Taylor Reporting, LLC

PARTIES ON BEHALF OF COMMONWEALTH: Melanie Pagano, Adjudication Specialist

COMMONWEALTH WITNESSES: Pamela Twombly, Deputy Director, Enforcement, DHP
Sarah Rogers, Sr. Investigator, DHP

RESPONDENT WITNESSES: Dr. Edith Bautista-Quint

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Geeti Gohari, M.D.** License No.: 0101-230661
Case No.: 181821

DISCUSSION: Dr. Gohari appeared before the Board in person in accordance with the Board's Notice of Formal Hearing dated September 26, 2019. Dr. Gohari was represented by Lindsay M. Walton, Esquire.

The Board received evidence and sworn testimony from witnesses called by the parties and from Dr. Gohari regarding her petition for reinstatement of her license.

CLOSED SESSION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Archer, and duly seconded by Dr. Ali, the Board voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711.A (27) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Dr. Gohari. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Barrett, Dr. Harp and Ms. Hines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Board in its deliberations.

RECONVENE:

Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Board re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Mr. Marchese, and duly seconded by Dr. Miller, the Board made certain findings of fact and conclusions of law and voted to deny Dr. Gohari's application for reinstatement.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

The decision shall be effective upon the entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusions, and decisions of this formal hearing panel.



Kevin O'Connor, M.D. Chair



William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

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