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**State Board of Examiners  
Minutes of SPECIAL MEETING  
200 River View Plaza  
VIRTUAL MEETING VIA MS TEAMS  
Trenton, New Jersey  
October 3, 2023  
3:00 pm**

**Present:** Ms. Laurie Fichera, Deputy Attorney General  
Mr. Derek Jess  
Dr. Mary Jane McNally  
Ms. Suzana Zeitz  
Ms. Dayna Desiderio Orlak  
Ms. Kristin Ludman  
Dr. Jonathan Dauber  
Ms. Thelma Ramsey  
Ms. Suzana Zeitz  
Ms. Melissa Pearce  
Mr. AbdulSaleem Hasan

**Absent:** None

All Members appeared on the MS Teams virtual platform.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Jess, Acting Chairperson, who read the appropriate notice that the meeting complied with the Open Public Meetings Act.

**Interlocutory Motion – M. Smurro**

Mr. Jess noted that the Board received an Interlocutory Motion filed by Mr. Michael Smurro. The Board required legal advice to consider the motion. Accordingly, Kristen Ludman made a motion to go into executive session, seconded by Dr. McNally, and carried by unanimous vote. The Board entered executive session at 3:03 pm.

On motion from Dr. McNally, seconded by Kristen Ludman, carried by unanimous vote, the Board went back into public session at 3:10 pm.

On motion by Ms. Ludman, seconded by Ms. Pearce, and carried by unanimous vote, the Board voted to deny Mr. Smurro's request for interlocutory review.

### **Adjournment**

Ms. Ludman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was duly seconded by Dr. McNally and carried by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 3:11 p.m.

The next scheduled public meeting of the State Board of Examiners will be held on Thursday, October 28, 2021 in the first-floor conference room, 100 River View Plaza, Trenton, New Jersey or virtually via MS Teams.

Minutes prepared by Cori Fornasier

Minutes certified by Rani Singh, Secretary