

**MINUTES  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2020**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

J. Ann Rea, M.D., Columbus, President  
David W. McClendon, Jr., M.D., (via Zoom) Ocean Springs, Vice President  
Michelle Y. Owens, M.D., Jackson, Secretary

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Stan T. Ingram, Complaint Counsel for the Board  
Alexis Morris, Special Assistant Attorney General  
Kenneth Cleveland, Executive Director  
Anna Boone, Director of Licensure Division  
Frances Carrillo, Staff Officer  
Arlene Davis, IT Director

The Executive Committee of the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure met on Wednesday, September 16, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Office of the Board located at 1867 Crane Ridge Drive, Jackson, Mississippi. This meeting was broadcasted via Zoom.

Dr. Rea opened the meeting and introduced the attendees that are present.

**PERSONAL APPEARANCE (via Zoom) BY HAMDY SUKKARIEH, M.D., JACKSON, MS  
APPLICANT**

Dr. Sukkarieh joined the meeting and was not represented by legal counsel. Dr. Sukkarieh executed a written agreement for this informal meeting, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

Following introductions, Dr. Rea advised Dr. Sukkarieh had been invited to discuss his application for a permanent license. Dr. Sukkarieh does not meet the licensure requirements for a permanent license and he has requested a waiver of the Board's Licensure regulation for a permanent medical license.

Following discussion and questions, a motion was made by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. McClendon, and carried to close the meeting to consider whether to enter into executive session on this matter.

A motion was made by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. McClendon and carried that the Executive Committee would enter into executive session for the purpose of considering whether or not Dr. Sukkarieh should be granted a waiver of the licensure requirement which could lead to an appeal of the Board's decision.

Upon a motion by Dr. McClendon seconded by Dr. Owens and carried the Executive Committee came out of executive session at which time Dr. Rea asked Dr. Owens to report on its

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decision. Dr. McClendon reported that the Executive Committee will recommend to the Board to deny Dr. Sukkarieh's waiver request at this time.

**PERSONAL APPEARANCE (via Zoom) BY GAURAV KISTANGARI, M.D.,  
APPLICANT**

Dr. Kistangari joined the meeting and was not represented by legal counsel. Dr. Kistangari executed a written agreement for this informal meeting, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

Following introductions, Dr. Rea advised Dr. Kistangari had been invited to discuss his application for a permanent license. Dr. Kistangari does not meet the licensure regulatory requirements of completing ACGME approved post graduate training for a permanent license and he has requested a waiver of the Board's Licensure regulation for a permanent medical license.

After discussion and questions from the Executive Committee, a motion was made by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. McClendon, and carried to recommend to the Board to deny the request of Kistangari to grant a waiver of the licensure requirements for a permanent medical license.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 2:22 p.m.

  
**JEANNE ANN REA, M.D.**  
**PRESIDENT**

**Minutes taken and transcribed**  
**By Frances Carrillo**  
**Staff Officer**  
**September 16, 2020**



**MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE**

**AGREEMENT TO APPEAR INFORMALLY BEFORE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
BY APPLICANT FOR LICENSURE**

I, **Hamdi Sukkarieh, M.D.** have requested an opportunity to appear informally before the Executive Committee of the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure (hereinafter "Board") to discuss my pending application for a Mississippi medical license, the current investigation being conducted by the Board, possible grounds for denial, and possible resolution of the matter. It is the purpose of the informal meeting to discuss the facts of the case, to give me an opportunity to ask questions of the Committee or its staff, and to give the Committee or its staff an opportunity to ask questions of me. Because the meeting is informal, no disciplinary action will be taken without my express written consent. In so doing, I have been advised and understand the following:

1. During the meeting, the Executive Committee may or may not be represented by legal counsel. Notwithstanding, I understand that I have a right, if I so choose, to employ legal counsel and have counsel present during the informal meeting.
2. I authorize the Committee Members to review and examine any statements, documentary evidence, or materials concerning the possible grounds for denial of licensure during my informal appearance.
3. Because the purpose of my appearance is to avoid a hearing before the Board, I agree that presentation to and consideration by the Committee of any facts, matters, and documents pertaining to my case shall not unfairly or illegally prejudice the Committee members from further participation or consideration in the event a formal show cause hearing is later conducted. Stated differently, in the event the pending matter is not resolved following my appearance before the Committee, I will not object to any of the Committee members from further participating in subsequent meetings or hearings that may be conducted in relation to this matter.
4. By signing my name in the space provided below, I hereby authorize the Executive Committee to proceed with the informal appearance, subject to the stipulations and understandings as noted above. I have elected to proceed:

\_\_\_\_\_ with legal counsel present (name of counsel: \_\_\_\_\_)

without legal counsel present

EXECUTED, this the 16th day of September, 2020.

Licensee: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_



## MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE

### AGREEMENT TO APPEAR INFORMALLY BEFORE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BY APPLICANT FOR LICENSURE

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