

BOARD HEARING MINUTES

North Carolina Medical Board

April 21-22, 2022

3127 Smoketree Court Raleigh, North Carolina

The North Carolina Medical Board held its scheduled April 2022 meeting at its offices at 3127 Smoketree Court, Raleigh, NC. John R. Rusher, M.D., J.D., President and Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order on Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 08:01 a.m. Board members participating were: Michaux R. Kilpatrick, M.D., Ph.D.; Christine M. Khandelwal, D.O.; Melinda H. Privette, M.D., J.D.; Damian F. McHugh, M.D.; Shawn P. Parker, J.D.; Devdutta G. Sangvai, M.D., M.B.A.; William Brawley; Sharona Y. Johnson, PhD, FNP-BC. Also attending was The Honorable Fred Morelock, Independent Counsel who assisted the Board.

Presidential Remarks:

Dr. Rusher commenced the meeting by reminding the Board members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest with respect to any matters coming before the Board as required by the State Government Ethics Act.

No recusals were noted for the record.

<u>HEARINGS</u>

FOLUKE, ALFRED KWASI, MD - NEW BERN, NC

The Board was represented by Mr. Brian Blankenship. Dr. Foluke was represented by Mr. Timothy Lehan.

Dr. Foluke was charged with unprofessional conduct, including but not limited to, a departure from, or the failure to conform to the ethics of the medical profession, or the committing of any act contrary to honesty, justice, or good morals, within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(6) and unprofessional conduct, including, but not limited to, a departure from, or the failure to conform to, the standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice, within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(6).

Following a hearing, the Board found that:

- 1. Dr. Foluke committed unprofessional conduct within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(6) including, but not limited to, a departure from, or the failure to conform to the ethics of the medical profession regarding his patient/physician relationship with Patient A;
- 2. Dr. Foluke committed unprofessional conduct within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(6) including, but not limited to, a departure from, or the failure to conform to the standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice Regarding his treatment of Patient A.

The Board voted to indefinitely suspend Dr. Foluke's license to practice medicine. Prior to making an application for reinstatement, Dr. Foluke must:

- 1. Complete a comprehensive examination a CPEP or a similar facility;
- Take and successfully complete the Professional/Problem-Based Ethics ("Probe")
 course, an education course offered by the Center for Personalized Education for
 Professionals (CPEP");

3. Complete continuing medical education on Suboxone prescribing and controlled substance treatment; to be approved by the Board's Office of Medical Director.

YANK, GLENN RUSSELL, MD - Chapel Hill, NC

The Board was represented by Mr. D. Todd Brosius. Dr. Yank represented himself.

The North Carolina Medical Board denied Dr. Yank's application for a North Carolina medical license pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14, specifically including § 90-14(a)(13). Dr. Yank requested a hearing on the denial of his license application.

Following a hearing, the Board found that:

- 1. Dr. Yank's 2016 Consent Order with the Tennessee Board was a basis to deny his application for a license to practice medicine within the meaning of North Carolina General Statute § 90-14(a)(13);
- 2. Dr. Yank's 2020 Consent Order with the Tennessee Board was a basis to deny his application for a license to practice medicine within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(13).

The Board voted to uphold the denial of Dr. Yank's application for a North Carolina medical license.

Adjournment:

This meeting was adjourned at 3.24 p.m., Friday, April 22, 2022.

Christine M. Khandelwal, D.O.

Secretary/Treasurer