

MINUTES

North Carolina Medical Board

December 14, 2017

**1203 Front Street
Raleigh, North Carolina**

The North Carolina Medical Board held its regularly scheduled December 14, 2017 meeting at the Board's office located at 1203 Front Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. Timothy E. Lietz, MD, President, called the meeting to order on Thursday, December 14, 2017, at 8:10 a.m. Board members participating were: Timothy E. Lietz, MD; Debra A. Bolick, MD; Venkata Jonnalagadda, MD; Jerri L. Patterson, NP; Bryant A. Murphy, MD; Barbara E. Walker, DO; Eleanor E. Greene, MD; and Mr. Wayne P. Holloman. Also attending were Fred Morelock, Independent Legal Counsel to the Board; Brian L. Blankenship, Deputy General Counsel and Thomas Mansfield, Chief Legal Officer.

Presidential Remarks:

Dr. Lietz 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.

HEARINGS

SHANTON, Gregory Damon, PA – Newport, NC

The Board was represented by Mr. Brian L. Blankenship. Mr. Shanton represented himself.

Mr. Shanton's license application was denied pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a).

Following the hearing, the Board found that Mr. Shanton failed to satisfy the Board of his qualifications to be issued a license.

DEGHAN, Robert Bahman, MD – Florida

The Board was represented by Mr. D. Todd Brosius. Dr. Deghan did not appear.

Dr. Deghan was charged with having his license to practice medicine restricted or acted against by the licensing authority of another jurisdiction within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(13).

Following the hearing, the Board found that Dr. Deghan had his license to practice medicine restricted or acted against by the licensing authority of another jurisdiction within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(13). The Board voted to indefinitely suspend Dr. Deghan's medical license.

CONSENT ORDER

At 4:15 p.m. on December 14th, 2017, the Board considered the proposed settlement of Michael Alson Smith, M.D. The Board Voted to accept the proposed consent order.

Adjournment:

This meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m., Thursday, December 14, 2017.

Bryant A. Murphy, MD
Secretary/Treasurer