



# **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

## **North Carolina Medical Board**

**February 15, 2024**

**3127 Smoketree Court  
Raleigh, North Carolina**

The North Carolina Medical Board held its scheduled February 2024 meeting at its offices at 3127 Smoketree Court, Raleigh, NC. Christine M. Khandelwal, D.O., MHPE, President and Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order on Thursday, February 15, 2024, at 8:10 a.m.

Board members participating were: Christine M. Khandelwal, D.O., MHPE, President and Presiding Officer; Devdutta G. Sangvai, M.D., MBA; W. Howard Hall, M.D.; N. Melinda Hill-Price, M.D., J.D.; Sharona Y. Johnson, PhD, FNP-BC; Miguel A. Pinero, PA-C, MHPE; Anuradha Rao-Patel, M.D.; and Robert Rich, Jr., M.D. Also attending was The Honorable Fred Morelock, Independent Counsel who assisted the Board.

**Presidential Remarks:**

Dr. Khandelwal 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.

**HEARINGS**

**IKRAMELAHAI, SASHA MELISSA – Locust Grove, Georgia**

The Board was represented by Mr. Gary “Adam” Moyers. Ms. Ikramelahai did not appear.

The Board held a hearing on the determination of a preponderance of competent evidence to justify the Order of Summary Suspension of License of Ms. Ikramelahai dated 01.29.2024 pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-3(c) and 21 NCAC 32N .0114.

Following a hearing, the Board found that there was a preponderance of competent evidence to justify the Order of Summary Suspension of License of Ms. Ikramelahai dated 01.29.2024 pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-3(c) and 21 NCAC 32N .0114.

The Board voted to uphold the Order of Summary Suspension of License of Ms. Ikramelahai dated 01.29.2024.

**SURRINDER, DHAWAN, M.D. – Sanford, North Carolina**

The Board was represented by Mr. Marcus Jimison. Dr. Dhawan appeared and represented himself.

The Board held a hearing on the probable cause determination of the Order of Summary Suspension of License of Dr. Dhawan effective 02.05.2024 pursuant to 21 NCAC 32N .0114.

Following a hearing, the Board found that there was probable cause to support the Order of Summary Suspension of License of Dr. Dhawan effective 02.05.2024 pursuant to 21 NCAC 32N .0114.

The Board voted to uphold the Order of Summary Suspension of License of Dr. Dhawan effective 02.05.2024.

### **PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS**

#### **WOOD, TONIA MICHELE, N.P. – South Carolina**

The Board was represented by Ms. Bettina Roberts. Ms. Wood appeared virtually through MS Teams and represented herself.

The Board heard presentations by Ms. Roberts and Ms. Wood in open session.

The Board went into closed session pursuant to Section 143-318.11(a) of the North Carolina General Statutes to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to Sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, and 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes and/or to preserve attorney/client privilege to discuss the proposed settlement.

The Board returned to open session.

The Board voted to accept the proposed settlement.

### **Adjournment:**

This meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m., Thursday, February 15, 2024.

  

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Anuradha Rao-Patel, M.D.

Secretary/Treasurer