

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF
THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

Mid Pines Club, Southern Pines, North Carolina

March 23-25, 1973

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The Board of Medical Examiners of the State of North Carolina met at the Mid Pines Club, Southern Pines, North Carolina, March 23-25, 1973 for the purpose of interviewing applicants for license by endorsement of credentials and other business.

Friday, March 23
6:30 p.m.

The Board convened for dinner. Drs. Bryant L. Galusha, President, Charles B. Wilkerson, Secretary-Treasurer, Frank Edmondson, Cornelius T. Partrick, Joseph W. Hooper, Jr., E. Wilson Staub and Vernon W. Taylor, Jr. were present. Dr. Joseph J. Combs, Executive Secretary, Mrs. B. Joe Cooke, Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Diane Freeman and Mrs. Mary Grissom were present also.

8:30 p.m.

The Board convened for business and reviewed credentials of applicants for license by endorsement of credentials.

RE: Dr. Raouf B. Fahmy Badawi, Cherry Hospital, Goldsboro, North Carolina - Application to be considered for special limited license to state institutions.

VERDICT: Dr. Wilkerson moved that if Dr. Badawi meets the requirements for the special limited license for foreign medical graduates limited to state institutions only, he be considered on an individual basis for this license and make an appearance before the Board in regular session, and that he also be informed that he can make application to take the North Carolina examination for full licensure in the state. Seconded by Dr. Partrick and duly passed.

The Executive Secretary is to instruct Dr. Badawi that this gives him no privileges except in state institutions, it cannot be converted to a full license and if he wants full license, he will be required to take FLEX and pay fee for same.

RE: Dr. Albert E. Barnhardt, Kannapolis, North Carolina - Letter from Dr. W. H. Kneeder, Concord, North Carolina. The Board reviewed correspondence received from Dr. Kneeder regarding Dr. Barnhardt's prescription writing practices

VERDICT: Dr. Partrick moved that this letter be accepted as information. Seconded by Dr. Hooper and duly passed. The Executive Secretary was instructed to reply to Dr. Kneeder advising him that the Board appreciated hearing from him in this regard, that the problem was a common one and the Board was receiving the letter as information. The Executive Secretary was also instructed to request the Board of Pharmacy to keep a close watch on Dr. Barnhardt's prescription writing for about two or three months, and if anything irregular appears, then request Dr. Barnhardt to appear before the Board.

RE: Dr. Clement C. Clay, Durham, North Carolina - letter in regard to foreign physicians practicing in North Carolina Department of Mental Health System.

VERDICT: Dr. Hooper moved that in view of Dr. Clay's letter that Dr. Clay and Mr. Flaherty, of the North Carolina Department of Human Resources, be advised that this Board has discussed Dr. Clay's letter and recommendations, and that Dr. Clay and Mr. Flaherty are invited to meet with the Board at the May meeting in Pinehurst to discuss the subject further. If this time is not convenient, they may meet with the Board at the June meeting in Raleigh. Seconded by Dr. Taylor and duly passed.

RE: Dr. Frank W. Barr, Charlotte, North Carolina - correspondence from Mr. Oliver Fields of the American Medical Association.

VERDICT: Dr. Edmondson moved that this letter be received as information and that the Executive Secretary contact Mr. Fields of the AMA to determine if he has further information on Dr. Frank W. Barr which would be beneficial to this Board. Seconded by Dr. Hooper and duly passed.



RE: North Carolina Department of Mental Health - correspondence in regard to foreign medical graduates. The Board reviewed file and recent report from Dr. John McCain on foreign medical graduates in the State Mental Health Department. The Board instructed the office staff to compute it's own figures on the number of foreign medical graduates employed by the North Carolina Department of Mental Health over the past five years who have left the system and state after taking and passing FLEX, and to furnish a breakdown of those physicians who have left the system but stayed in North Carolina after passing FLEX for purposes of comparison with those figures presented by Dr. McCain.

RE: North Carolina Board of Nursing - correspondence from Mrs. McRee.

VERDICT: Dr. Hooper moved that Dr. Partrick review this material and report to the Board at a later date on same. Seconded by Dr. Taylor and duly passed.

RE: Applications for Registration of Visiting Professors -

RE: Dr. Ian Douglas Duncan, Durham, N. C. - Application for Registration as a Visiting Professor, sponsored by Duke University School of Medicine; credentials complete. Dr. Hooper moved that Dr. Duncan be approved for Registration as a Visiting Professor. Seconded by Dr. Wilkerson and duly passed.

RE: Dr. Edward Carden, Chapel Hill, N. C. - Application for Registration as a Visiting Professor, sponsored by the University of North Carolina School of Medicine; credentials complete. Dr. Hooper moved that Dr. Carden be approved for Registration as a Visiting Professor. Seconded by Dr. Wilkerson and duly passed.

RE: Dr. Richard Herbert Wiebe, Durham, N. C. - Application for Registration as a Visiting Professor, sponsored by Duke University School of Medicine; credentials complete. Dr. Hooper moved that Dr. Wiebe be approved for Registration as a Visiting Professor. Seconded by Dr. Wilkerson and duly passed.

RE: Conversion of limited to full license -

VERDICT: Dr. Partrick moved that all applicants for conversion of limited to full license be approved for same if all credentials are in order. Dr. Wilkerson seconded the motion and it was duly passed.

Dr. Donald G. Joyce
Dr. Maria G. Perez-Reyes
Dr. Mario Perez-Reyes
Dr. Maurice H. Rowell, Jr.

Dr. David A. Sandridge
Dr. George E. Scordalakes
Dr. John C. Weed, Jr.

RE: Biennial Registration - Reinstatement. The licenses to practice medicine in North Carolina of the following physicians were suspended for failure to register as required by G.S. 90-15.00. They have now registered:

Lamar T. Adams, M. D.
Paul Stewart Green, M. D.
Robert Wallace Hamill, M. D.

Barnett Milton Rhetta, Jr.
Roland Eugene Schmidt

VERDICT: Dr. Wilkerson moved that all physicians applying for reinstatement of license who have paid fees and penalties in full be approved. Seconded by Dr. Partrick and duly passed.

Dr. Wilkerson moved that the meeting be adjourned until the following day. Seconded by Dr. Partrick and duly passed.

Saturday, March 24
9:00 a.m.

RE: Interviews of applicants for license by endorsement of credentials in North Carolina:

RE: Dr. David Allen Albertson appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials; he is a graduate of the University of Virginia School of Medicine in 1972 and licensed in Virginia.

Dr. Galusha: You are now in a residency at Bowman Gray?

A: Yes, that's right.

Dr. Wilkerson: What is your residency in, Dr. Albertson?

A: Surgery.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you had any difficulty with state medical boards?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used narcotics or barbiturates personally?

A. No



VERDICT: Dr. David A. Albertson approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. John Eugene Alexander appeared with incomplete credentials applying for license by endorsement. He is a graduate of Meharry Medical College, 1965 and licensed in Georgia, Illinois and District of Columbia.

Dr. Galusha: Are you aware of exactly what is holding you up now?

A: Yes, the picture I believe, sent to Meharry.

Q: What are your plans, doctor?

A: I plan to go into the private practice of orthopedics in Charlotte.

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No, I haven't.

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you ever personally used barbiturates or narcotics?

A. No

Q: Have you ever had any difficulty with state medical boards?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. John E. Alexander approved for license by endorsement if and when his credentials are completed satisfactory to the Executive Secretary. (credentials completed)

RE: Dr. Perry W. Aycock, Jr. appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the Medical College of South Carolina and licensed in South Carolina and Alabama.

Dr. Galusha: What type of practice are you in doctor?

A: Internal Medicine -- going in with Dr. Waggoner in Gastonia.

Q: When do you want to go to work?

A: The last week in July.

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Do you use narcotics or barbiturates personally?

A. No

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you ever had difficulty with any state medical boards?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Perry W. Aycock, Jr. approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Arletta J. Bingham appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. She is a graduate of Howard University in 1965 and licensed in the District of Columbia and certified by the American College of Anesthesiologists.

Dr. Galusha: Where do you plan on going into practice?

A: Charlotte

Dr. Wilkerson: Where did you take your training, Dr. Bingham?

A: Georgetown

Dr. Galusha: Have you had any difficulty with state medical boards?

A. No

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used barbiturates/narcotics personally?

A. No

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess? ^{or}

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Arletta J. Bingham was approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Drs. Gerald Lee Blossom and Janet Tindall Blossom appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. Drs. Blossom are both graduates of the University of Indiana, both in 1970 and both are licensed in Indiana in 1970. Both physicians are in pediatrics.

Dr. Galusha: You anticipate going into practice where?

A: In Murphy, N. C.--Cherokee County, western part of the state.

Q: Have either of you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Have either of you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have either of you personally used barbiturates or narcotics?

A. No

Q: Have either of you had any difficulty with state medical boards?

A. No

VERDICT: Drs. Gerald Lee Blossom and Janet Tindall Blossom approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Erna L. Borousch appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials with incomplete credentials. She is a graduate of Western Reserve University in 1949 and licensed in Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Dr. Galusha: Do you know exactly what your application needs?

A: Ohio did promise to send in my application or send it to me, but they just didn't do it.

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you personally used narcotics or barbiturates?

A. No

Q: Have you had any difficulty with any state medical boards?

A. No



Dr. Erna L. Borousch, continued

- Q: What are your plans for North Carolina?
A: I would like to go into practice in Granite Falls, N. C.
Q: In what field?
A: Internal Medicine

VERDICT: Dr. Erna L. Borousch approved for license by endorsement if and when her credentials are completed satisfactory to the Executive Secretary. (credentials completed)

RE: Drs. Ernest Russell Braasch and Lesley Kriegman Braasch appeared applying for a limited license by endorsement of credentials. Both of these physicians are graduates of the State University of New York in 1970 and are diplomates of the National Board.

Dr. Galusha: You will both be on the residency staff at Duke, is that correct?

- A: Yes
Q: You start your residencies in July?
A: Yes, that's right.
Q: What are your specialties?
A: Dr. Ernest Braasch: Internal Medicine
Dr. Lesley Braasch: Psychiatry
Q: Have either of you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No
Q: Have either of you had any difficulty with state medical boards? A. No
Q: Have either of you ever used alcohol to excess? A. No
Q: Have either of you ever personally used barbiturates or narcotics? A. No

VERDICT: Drs. Ernest R. Braasch and Lesley K. Braasch approved for a limited license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Edward W. Bringman is a graduate of Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery in 1960 and appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials with incomplete credentials. He is licensed in Ohio by the Ohio State Medical Board and also licensed in Missouri.

Dr. Galusha: Do you know what is incomplete in your application?

- A: I found out from the secretary that one letter is lacking from my application.
Q: What are your plans relative to the state of North Carolina?
A: I plan to move to N. C. with my family as soon as I can find a site.
Q: And this is in General Practice?
A: Yes
Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No, sir
Q: Have you had any difficulty getting a medical license before? A. No, I have not
Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess? A. No, sir
Q: Do you personally use narcotics or barbiturates? A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Edward W. Bringman approved for license by endorsement if and when his credentials completed satisfactory to Executive Secretary. (credentials completed)

RE: Dr. David W. Brown appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Rochester Medical School, 1967 and licensed in New York.

Dr. Edmondson: You are planning to practice in Chapel Hill, is that right?

- A: Yes, that's correct; with Dr. Harper and Dr. Smelzer.
Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No
Q: Have you ever personally used narcotics or barbiturates? A. No
Q: Have you had any difficulty with any state medical boards? A. No
Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess? A. No
Q: When do you plan on going into practice?
A: July first.

VERDICT: Dr. David W. Brown approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Harold C. Burchel appeared applying for license by endorsement with incomplete credentials. He is a graduate of Upstate Medical School in New York in 1967 and licensed in Ohio.

Dr. Edmondson: You are contemplating doing family practice--where?

- A: Yes, that's right--in Thomasville.
Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No
Q: Do you use alcohol to excess? A. Never do
Q: Have you had any difficulty with state medical boards? A. No
Q: Have you ever personally used narcotics or barbiturates? A. No
Dr. Edmondson: Who are you going into practice with?
A: Dr. Plyler, a partnership.



Dr. Harold Burchel, continued

Dr. Edmondson: You are going to start--when?

A: We'll be moving in mid-June and opening in August.

VERDICT: Dr. Harold C. Burchel approved for license by endorsement if and when his credentials completed to satisfaction of Executive Secretary. (credentials completed)

RE: Dr. Walker Hawes Campbell appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the Medical College of Virginia in 1963 and licensed in Virginia and a Diplomate of the National Board.

Dr. Edmondson: Dr. Campbell plans to join Dr. Parker in Goldsboro.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Do you personally use barbiturates or narcotics?

A. No

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you had any difficulty with state medical boards?

A. No

Dr. Wilkerson: Where are you--have you been in practice before, doctor?

A: I'm in the Navy now, and will be out this summer. I trained at the Naval Hospital in Portsmouth, Virginia.

VERDICT: Dr. Walker H. Campbell approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. E. John Cappiello appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Georgetown University, 1970 and a Diplomate of the National Boards, 1972 and licensed in New York.

Dr. Edmondson: What are your plans for North Carolina, Dr. Cappiello?

A: I plan on practicing general practice at my home on Topsail Island. I am a Navy physician and the major part of my work will be at Camp Lejeune, but I feel during the summer months, since it is a resort area, there is a need for my services--indeed, they come knocking on my door as they know I'm a doctor.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Do you personally use barbiturates or narcotics?

A. No

Q: Have you had any difficulty with any state medical boards?

A. Never

Dr. Wilkerson: Do you have any practice plans after you get out of the Navy?

A: When I am released I'm going to finish my training, but my plans are, after that, to move back to North Carolina and set up practice, perhaps at Wilmington or near the outer banks.

VERDICT: Dr. John Cappiello approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. James A. Cline appeared applying for license by endorsement with incomplete credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Maryland and licensed in South Dakota and California.

Dr. Galusha: What are your practice plans for North Carolina?

A: I plan to relocate in Siler City.

Q: In what field?

A: Surgery

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you personally used barbiturates or narcotics?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you had any trouble with any state medical boards?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No

Dr. Edmondson: When do you anticipate going to Siler City?

A: In about 3 or 4 weeks.

VERDICT: Dr. James A. Cline approved for license by endorsement of credentials if and when his credentials completed to satisfaction of the Executive Secretary. (credentials completed)

RE: Dr. Thomas P. Cornwall appeared applying for license by endorsement. He is a graduate of Northwestern University and licensed in Missouri.

Dr. Galusha: You are applying for a full North Carolina license, doctor?

A: Yes, sir. I plan to practice and live in North Carolina--bought a house this week.

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Have you ever personally used barbiturates or narcotics?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you had any difficulty with state medical boards?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Thomas P. Cornwall approved for license by endorsement.



RE: Dr. Robert E. Dicks appeared with incomplete credentials applying for license by endorsement. He is a graduate of Indiana University School of Medicine and licensed in Indiana.

Dr. Galusha: The only thing you lack is the ten-year letter and you do understand that?

A: Yes

Q: I assume this is for doing extra duty? You are now in the military?

A: Right, for Laurinburg.

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used barbiturates or narcotics personally?

A. No

Q: Have you ever had any difficulty with state medical boards?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Robert E. Dicks approved for license by endorsement of credentials, if and when same completed to satisfaction of Executive Secretary. (credentials completed)

RE: Dr. Michael J. Donahue appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Creighton University Medical School and licensed in Nebraska and a Diplomat of the National Board.

Dr. Hooper: Where do you plan to locate, doctor?

A: Wilmington

Q: Are you going in with someone?

A: Yes, I'm going in with Dr. Phillips.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Have you had any difficulty with any state medical boards?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used narcotics or barbiturates personally?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Michael J. Donahue approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Gloria S. Ehrlichman appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. She is a graduate of the University of Puerto Rico and licensed in Pennsylvania.

Dr. Hooper: What type of work do you plan to do in Clinton?

A: Pediatrics

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you had any difficulty with state medical boards?

A. No, sir

Q: Do you personally use barbiturates or narcotics?

A. No

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Gloria Ehrlichman approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. John Nelson Ellis appeared with incomplete credentials applying for license by endorsement. He is a graduate of the University of Kansas and licensed in Kansas, California, and Missouri. Dr. Ellis plans on practicing in Pinehurst at the Pinehurst Surgical Clinic in July.

Dr. Galusha: The thing we lack is your completed application from the Kansas Board.

A: Yes, I brought my grades.

Dr. Galusha: No, these grades must be certified by the Kansas Board, so we cannot accept this.

A: Well, the Kansas Board sent me this, but as soon as I am reinstated by the Board, my application can be endorsed and I will send it.

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you had any difficulty with any state medical board?

A. No--

except for the Kansas Board and not being registered because of a military leave.

Q: Do you personally use narcotics or barbiturates?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. John Nelson Ellis approved for license by endorsement if and when his credentials completed to satisfaction of Executive Secretary. (credentials completed)

RE: Dr. Michael Faurest appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Kentucky and licensed in Kentucky.

Dr. Hooper: At the present time you are in Dermatology?

A: Yes, at Chapel Hill.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Do you personally use narcotics or barbiturates?

A. No

Q: Have you had any difficulty with state medical boards?

A. No, sir



Dr. Michael Faurest, continued

VERDICT: Dr. Michael Faurest approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Michael T. Gilbert appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of New York Medical College and licensed in New York.

Dr. Hooper: Dr. Gilbert plans on practicing ophthalmology in Elizabeth City, N. C.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Do you personally use barbiturates or narcotics?

A. No

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you had any difficulty with any state medical boards?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Michael Gilbert approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Theodore Alfred P. Golden appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan and licensed in Michigan.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used barbiturates or narcotics personally?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you had any difficulty with any state medical boards?

A. No

Dr. Hooper: You are presently in the military?

A: Yes, I would like to work in the community surrounding Jacksonville.

VERDICT: Dr. Theodore A. P. Golden approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. A. Judson Graves appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Georgia and licensed in Georgia, South Carolina, Pennsylvania and Florida.

Dr. Taylor: What are your plans for North Carolina, doctor?

A: Well, I plan to build a house in June in Tryon, N. C. and hope to be of some assistance to Dr. Anderson, radiologist in Tryon.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No, sir

Q: Do you personally use narcotics or barbiturates?

A. No, sir

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. Not to excess

Q: Have you had any trouble with medical examining boards?

A. No, sir

VERDICT: Dr. A. Judson Graves approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Drs. Jerry H. and Kathryn W. Greenhoot appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. Both are graduates of the University of California at Los Angeles Medical School and both are licensed in California and Virginia.

Dr. Taylor: Drs. Greenhoot are moving to Charlotte and Dr. Jerry Greenhoot will join Drs. Pitts, Petty and Brawley there. What are your fields of practice?

A: I am a neurosurgeon and my wife is in anesthesia.

Dr. Galusha: Have either of you had any difficulty with state medical boards?

A. No

Q: Have either of had ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Have either of you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have either of you personally used narcotics or barbiturates?

A. No, sir

VERDICT: Drs. Jerry and Kathryn Greenhoot approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Donald Edwin Hammer appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Rochester and licensed in New York and a Diplomate of the National Board.

Dr. Taylor: What are your plans for North Carolina, doctor?

A: I have applied for privileges at Cabarrus Memorial Hospital in Concord, N. C.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you personally used barbiturates or narcotics?

A. No

Q: Have you ever had any trouble with state medical boards?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Donald E. Hammer approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. James Robert Hennessy appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Cincinnati College of Medicine and a Diplomate of the National Board.

Dr. Taylor: What are your plans for North Carolina?



Dr. James R. Hennessy, continued

A: I will be working in Henderson for a few weeks--my residency will be completed and then I will be working in the emergency room in Wilmington.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used narcotics or barbiturates personally?

A. No, I do not

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you had any difficulty with state medical boards?

A. No, I have not

VERDICT: Dr. James Robert Hennessy approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Carl M. Hoffman appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Miami Medical School and licensed in Florida and a diplomate of the National Board.

Dr. Staub: Presently you are in the military?

A: Yes, sir

Q: And you want a license for what purpose in North Carolina?

A: Hopefully to practice in the Greensboro or Winston-Salem, N. C. area.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No, sir

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you ever personally used barbiturates or narcotics?

A. No

Q: Have you had any difficulty with any state medical boards?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Carl M. Hoffman was approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Harold M. Horwitz appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Tufts Medical College and licensed in Michigan, Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

Dr. Taylor: You are in the military? What are your plans for North Carolina?

A: Yes, I will be taking a fellowship in rheumatology at Duke.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used narcotics or barbiturates personally?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you ever had any trouble with state medical boards?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Harold M. Horwitz approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. John R. Hunt appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Emory University and licensed in Alabama.

Dr. Staub: You are presently a resident at Charlotte Memorial or going to be?

A: Going to be--in surgery.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. Yes--traffic ticket

Q: Any felonies?

A. No

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you ever had any difficulty with state medical boards?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you personally used barbiturates or narcotics?

A. No

RE: Dr. Fouad S. Ibrahim appeared applying for license by endorsement with incomplete credentials. Dr. Ibrahim is a graduate of Cairo University Faculty of Medicine in Egypt in 1952 and has taken FLEX and obtained a weighted average of 75.0%, on which basis he is applying for license in this state.

Dr. Galusha: You do not hold a state license do you?

A: No, I do not

Q: There is something I do not understand. We have information that Dr. Ibrahim has taken the FLEX and made a grad, FLEX Weighted Average of 75%, but we have a letter of March 6, 1973 from Washington stating that he has taken FLEX there and to date has not passed it.

A: Because, sir, they want a minimum of 70% in all subjects and 75% average, and I did not have this in all subjects.

Dr. Ibrahim presented his alien registration receipt card, Number A 31 375 947 and his picture compared with the individual present.

Dr. Galusha: You are eligible to apply for license in North Carolina on the basis of your FLEX grades as we use only the Weighted Average of 75%, which was your grade.

A: Thank you very much.

Dr. Galusha: One thing we do not accept is letters of recommendation other than those specifically addressed and designated for the Board of Medical Examiners of North Carolina. Your references are addressed "To Whom It May Concern".



Dr. Fouad S. Ibrahim, continued

A: Yes, I can send one from where I work.

Q: What we need then is one other letter from someone who has known you for ten years, preferably from someone on the Faculty of Medicine of your school, but not necessarily.

A: Yes, I would send a letter immediately.

Q: What are your plans for the state of North Carolina?

A: When I started the application here I contacted the Medical Society of North Carolina and they gave me some addresses and Mars Hill and the Town of Cornelius contacted me that when I get my license, they will welcome me.

Dr. Galusha: You do fulfill all criteria for a North Carolina limited license, until become a citizen and then you will be eligible for a full North Carolina license. This is limited only geographically--do you understand?

A: Yes, sir.

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No, sir

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No, sir

Q: Do you use barbiturates or narcotics personally?

A. No

Q: Have you had any difficulty with any licensing boards?

A. I've only applied here.

VERDICT: Dr. Fouad S. Ibrahim approved for license by endorsement if and when his credentials completed satisfactory to Executive Secretary. (credentials completed)

RE: Dr. James E. Jupa appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois Medical College, and licensed in Illinois and a Diplomate of the National Board.

Dr. Staub: As I understand it, you are going to Kenansville?

A: Yes, that's correct.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. Traffic convictions

Any felonies?

A. No

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Do you use barbiturates or narcotics personally?

A. No

Q: Have you had any trouble with medical licensing boards?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. James E. Jupa approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Arthur F. Kriner appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Hahnemann Medical School, and licensed in Pennsylvania.

Dr. Staub: He is planning to join the radiology staff at Duke.

A: Yes, that's right.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a felony?

A. No, sir

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you ever personally used narcotics or barbiturates?

A. No

Q: Have you ever had any difficulty with any state medical boards?

A. No, sir

VERDICT: Dr. Arthur F. Kriner approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Robert A. Laughlin appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh Medical School and licensed in Arizona, California and Pennsylvania.

Dr. Staub: Presently, you are a resident at UNG?

A: Yes, sir.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No, sir

Q: Do you personally use barbiturates or narcotics?

A. No

Q: Have you had any difficulty with medical examining boards?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Robert A. Laughlin approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Francies Marshall appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Buffalo and licensed in New York.

Dr. Staub: I understand that you have plans at Umstead Hospital?

A: No, I have plans for the Student Health Service, University of North Carolina.

Dr. Galusha: When do you anticipate going there?

A: 1 July.

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you personally used barbiturates or narcotics?

A. No

Q: Have you had any trouble with medical licensing boards?

A. No--never



Dr. Francies Marshall, continued

VERDICT: Dr. Francies Marshall approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Martin L. McTighe appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati Medical School and licensed in Ohio.

Dr. Wilkerson: Dr. McTighe's credentials are in order--he is in the military now.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a felony? A. No
 Q: Do you use alcohol to excess? A. No
 Q: Do you personally use narcotics or barbiturates? A. None
 Q: Have you had any difficulty with state medical boards? A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Martin L. McTighe approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Frederick Meine appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Temple University and licensed in Pennsylvania.

Dr. Wilkerson: You intend to become affiliated with Duke University, is that right?

A: Yes, sir.
 Q: Are you in residency training?
 A: No, I will be on the staff in Radiology.
 Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No, sir
 Q: Have you ever personally used barbiturates or narcotics? A. No, sir
 Q: Have you ever had any difficulty with medical examining boards? A. No
 Q: Do you use alcohol to excess? A. No, sir

VERDICT: Dr. Frederick Meine approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Roger G. Mengel appeared with incomplete credentials applying for license by endorsement. He is a graduate of State University of New York, Upstate Medical Center and licensed in Ohio and a Diplomate of the National Board.

Dr. Galusha: You know we don't have your application?

A: Yes, I had to forward it to the medical school after I got it back from your office.
 Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No, sir
 Q: Have you ever used narcotics or barbiturates personally? A. No, sir
 Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess? A. No
 Q: Have you had any difficulty with any state medical board? A. No, sir

VERDICT: Dr. Roger G. Mengel approved for license by endorsement if and when his credentials completed satisfactory to Executive Secretary. (credentials completed)

RE: Dr. Edward Joseph Nebel appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan and licensed in Michigan and California.

Dr. Wilkerson: Dr. Nebel plans to join Dr. Carl Hiller in New Bern in practicing Orthopedic Surgery in July of this year. His credentials are in order.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No, sir
 Q: Do you use alcohol to excess? A. No
 Q: Have you ever used narcotics or barbiturates personally? A. No, sir
 Q: Have you had any difficulty with any medical licensing boards? A. No, sir

VERDICT: Dr. Edward J. Nebel approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Michael A. Passero appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Harvard University School of Medicine and a diplomate of the National Board.

Dr. Wilkerson: Dr. Passero now holds a resident's training license at Duke--his credentials are complete.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No
 Q: Do you use alcohol to excess? A. No
 Q: Do you personally use narcotics or barbiturates? A. No
 Q: Have you ever had any difficulty with any medical licensing boards? A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Passero approved for license by endorsement

RE: Dr. Rufus Judson Pearson, Jr. appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Emory University and licensed in Maryland and Florida.

Dr. Wilkerson: At the present time you are in the Navy?

A: No, sir--I'm retired.



Dr. Rufus Judson Pearson, Jr., continued

- Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No, sir
 Q: Do you use alcohol to excess? A. No
 Q: Have you ever had any difficulty with medical licensing boards? A. No
 Q: Have you personally used barbiturates or narcotics? A. No, sir
 Dr. Edmondson: What are your plans for North Carolina, doctor?
 A: Well, sir I have retired and moved to Whispering Pines--I plan to take a vacation for a while.

VERDICT: Dr. Rufus J. Pearson, Jr. approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Alan S. Rapperport appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Tulane University and licensed in Louisiana and Florida.

- Dr. Wilkerson: You are a property owner in Burnsville--that where you are planning to go?
 A: Yes, sir.
 Q: Dr. Rapperport, we don't have your grades from the Louisiana State Board, and everything is in order except for receiving that information.
 Dr. Galusha: The difficulty with Florida is they never give out the full grades, and if we were to go on your Florida grades, quite frankly, they would not come up to North Carolina standards. We feel certain Louisiana's are, but we have no 100% guarantee of that until we receive your grades from Louisiana. As soon as we receive these grades, we can take action on your application.
 Dr. Rapperport: Yes, I will call the Louisiana Board today.
 Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No, sir
 Q: Do you use alcohol to excess? A. No, sir
 Q: Do you personally use narcotics or barbiturates? A. No, sir
 Q: Have you had any difficulty with any medical licensing boards? A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Rapperport approved for license by endorsement if and when his credentials are completed to the satisfaction of the Executive Secretary if the cumulative grades equal 75% on the FLEX. (credentials completed.)

RE: Dr. Lucian Candler Rice, Jr. appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Emory University and licensed in Georgia.

- Dr. Wilkerson: At the present time you have a resident's training license?
 A: Yes, that's right--at Duke.
 Q: And you are completing your residency when?
 A: June, this year.
 Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No
 Q: Do you use alcohol to excess? A. No
 Q: Have you personally used narcotics or barbiturates? A. No
 Q: Have you ever had any difficulty with medical licensing boards? A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Lucian C. Rice, Jr. approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Frederick August Ruoff appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Hahnemann Medical College, and licensed in Pennsylvania and Ohio and is also certified by the American Board of Radiology. Dr. Ruoff is retiring and planning to live in Whispering Pines, N. C.

- Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No, sir
 Q: Have you personally used narcotics or barbiturates? A. No
 Q: Do you use alcohol to excess? A. No
 Q: Have you had any difficulty with any medical examining boards? A. No, sir

VERDICT: Dr. Frederick A. Ruoff approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Paul E. Schneck appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Indiana University and licensed in Indiana and Kentucky and a Diplomate of the National Board

- Dr. Partrick: What do you plan to do in North Carolina, doctor?
 A: I am associated with a radiologist in South Hill, Virginia and we also do radiology at Warrenton, North Carolina, Memorial Hospital.
 Q: And you are desirous of crossing the line?
 A: Yes, periodically.
 Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No
 Q: Do you use alcohol to excess? A. No
 Q: Do you personally use narcotics or barbiturates? A. No
 Q: Have you had any difficulty with medical licensing boards? A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Paul E. Schneck approved for license by endorsement.



RE: Dr. Robert L. Schweitzer appeared with incomplete credentials applying for a license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Vanderbilt School of Medicine and is a Diplomate of the National Board.

Dr. Galusha: You know exactly what you lack?

A: Yes, the ten-year letter.

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Have you ever personally used barbiturates or narcotics?

A. No

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you had any difficulty with any medical licensing boards?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Robert L. Schweitzer approved for license by endorsement if and when his credentials completed satisfactory to the Executive Secretary. (credentials completed)

RE: Dr. Marvin B. Shapiro appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Alabama and licensed in Alabama and Louisiana.

Dr. Partrick: What was the type of examination that you had, sir?

A: The written Alabama Exam.

Q: What was the date of your Alabama boards?

A: When I was senior--1966.

Q: Your plans relative to North Carolina, Dr. Shapiro?

A: Yes, sir--I m going to Charlotte.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No, sir

Q: Do you use narcotics or barbiturates, personally?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you had any difficulty with any state medical boards?

A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Marvin B. Shapiro approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Harold Carl Strauss appeared with incomplete credentials applying for license by endorsement. He is a graduate of McGill University in Canada and licensed in New York and California and is a Diplomate of the National Board.

Dr. Galusha: You know exactly what you need to complete your application?

A: Well, there is one problem--am I going to have to wait for the final step for my permanent visa or has that been waived?

Dr. Combs: Do you have your alien registration receipt card?

A: No, sir, that is pending?

Dr. Galusha: That's right; we discussed this earlier. That will be no problem in your case--it has been waived under the circumstances. Please understand that this is done on an individual basis and if anyone were in a comparable position, it still is not routine policy. You do understand that?

A: Yes.

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. Never

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you personally used narcotics or barbiturates?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you had any difficulty with any state medical boards?

A. No, sir

Q: You are on the faculty at--?

A: At Duke, yes.

VERDICT: Dr. Harold C. Strauss approved for license by endorsement if and when his credentials completed to satisfaction of Executive Secretary. (credentials completed). License to be limited geographically until citizenship obtained.

RE: Dr. E. Margaret Sullivan appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. She is a graduate of University of Rochester and licensed in New York and Maryland.

Dr. Galusha: And what are your plans for North Carolina?

A: I am planning to work at the Murdock Center.

Q: What field are you in?

A: Pediatrics.

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you ever personally used narcotics or barbiturates?

A. No, sir

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you had any difficulty with medical licensing boards?

A. No, sir

VERDICT: Dr. E. Margaret Sullivan approved for license by endorsement.



RE: Dr. Victor Trager appeared with incomplete credentials applying for license by endorsement. He is a graduate of State University of New York, Downstate Medical Center and licensed in New York and a Diplomate of the National Boards.

Dr. Galusha: What are you doing now, Dr. Trager?

A: Obstetrics and Gynecology

Q: Do you have any definite plans for the State of North Carolina?

A: Yes, sir, I have been in correspondence with several hospitals and physicians in the state.

Q: Your application lacks only the one letter of recommendation and a routine AMA inquiry, which you know about?

A: Yes, sir.

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you ever used narcotics or barbiturates personally?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you had any difficulty with any state medical boards?

A. No, sir

VERDICT: Dr. Victor Trager approved for license by endorsement of credentials if and when same completed to satisfaction of Executive Secretary. (credentials completed).

RE: Dr. Paul C. Tucker, Jr. appeared applying for license by endorsement with incomplete credentials. He is a graduate of the Medical College of Georgia and licensed in Georgia.

Dr. Galusha: What are your plans, Dr. Tucker?

A: I'm going with the Nowell Clinic in Charlotte.

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess?

A. No

Q: Have you ever used narcotics or barbiturates personally?

A. No

Q: Have you ever had any difficulty with medical examining boards?

A. No, sir

VERDICT: Dr. Paul C. Tucker, Jr. approved for license by endorsement if and when his credentials completed satisfactory to Executive Secretary. (credentials completed)

RE: Dr. Ralph E. Vitolo appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of Loyola University and licensed in New Jersey, New York and Ohio and is presently located in Fayetteville, N. C. Dr. Vitolo appeared in 1968 applying for license by endorsement and was denied same due to grades.

Dr. Partrick: The problem in 1968 was one of grades. What did you plan to do?

A: I am planning to limit myself to retirement work with the Board of Health and Clinics. I have been contacted by several of them to help them out--they don't have many physicians available.

Dr. Galusha: Since there has been an interval of time, we do want to question you again on the following:

Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No

Q: Do you use alcohol to excess?

A. No, sir

Q: Do you personally use narcotics or barbiturates?

A. No

Q: Other than the North Carolina Board, have you had any difficulty whatsoever with boards of medical examiners?

A. No, sir

VERDICT: Dr. Ralph E. Vitolo unanimously approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Joel S. Webster appeared applying for license by endorsement with incomplete credentials. He is a graduate of University of Maryland and licensed in Maryland, Indiana and Ohio.

Dr. Partrick: Dr. Webster plans on practicing at Mercy Hospital in Charlotte and his application is complete with the exception of the Ohio Board inquiry.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you ever personally used narcotics or barbiturates?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you ever personally used alcohol to excess?

A. No, sir

Q: Have you had any difficulty with any medical examining boards?

A. No, I haven't

Q: When are you going into practice?

A: It would be June of this year.

VERDICT: Dr. Joel S. Webster approved for license by endorsement if and when his credentials completed to satisfaction of Executive Secretary. (credentials completed)



RE: Dr. Argil Jerry Wheelock appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Tennessee and licensed in Tennessee.

Dr. Partrick: Dr. Wheelock is in the military at Ft. Bragg and his application is complete.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No, sir
 Q: Have you personally used barbiturates or narcotics? A. No, sir
 Q: Have you ever used alcohol to excess? A. No
 Q: Have you had any difficulty with any medical licensing boards? A. No, sir

VERDICT: Dr. Argil J. Wheelock approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Everet H. Wood appeared applying for license by endorsement of credentials. He is a graduate of the University of Maryland and is licensed in Maryland, New York, Wisconsin and New Mexico.

Dr. Galusha: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No, sir
 Q: Have you used alcohol to excess? A. No, sir
 Q: Have you had any difficulty with any boards of medical examiners? A. No, sir
 Q: Have you ever personally used barbiturates or narcotics? A. No, sir

A: I am going to practice Ophthalmology in Brevard.

VERDICT: Dr. Everet H. Wood approved for license by endorsement.

RE: Dr. Norsrat Hillman appeared with incomplete credentials applying for license by endorsement. She is a graduate of Tehran University and licensed by FLEX in New York.

Dr. Galusha: Do you understand exactly what you are lacking?
 A: Yes, sir, I know I need a letter from my medical school.
 Dr. Galusha: Would you please present your alien registration receipt card?
 Dr. Hillman presented her alien registration receipt card, Number A 18 000 595 and the picture compared.
 Dr. Combs: Dr. Hillman is married to an American citizen stationed at Seymour Johnson.
 Dr. Galusha: What do you plan to do with this license?
 A: I would like to work at the hospital in Kinston, as a Pathologist. Now I am teaching at ECU.
 Dr. Galusha: You have completed your training--are you Board certified?
 A: No, but Board eligible
 Q: Have you ever been convicted of a crime? A. No
 Q: Do you use alcohol to excess? A. No
 Q: Do you personally use narcotics or barbiturates? A. No
 Q: Have you had any difficulty with any medical examining boards? A. No

VERDICT: Dr. Norsrat Hillman approved for license by endorsement if and when her credentials are completed satisfactory to Executive Secretary.

RE: Assistants to Physicians --

RE: Dr. Ben R. Boyette, Jr., Goldsboro, North Carolina - application complete. The Board reviewed the application of Mr. Richard Van Benthuyzen to be utilized as an assistant to a physician under Dr. Boyette's supervision, which had been denied at the October, 1972 meeting of the Board as Dr. Boyette could not give direct supervision to Mr. Van Benthuyzen due to illness, and he would have been supervised by three different physicians. Dr. Boyette has re-submitted his application with additional work routines outlined and stated he is now recovered and carrying on his practice and can give Mr. Van Benthuyzen his supervision. Dr. Hooper moved that Richard Van Benthuyzen be approved for registration as an assistant to a physician. Seconded by Dr. Partrick and approved.

RE: Dr. Elizabeth Conrad, Winston-Salem, North Carolina - application complete for registration for Joan Barnes as a pediatric assistant. Dr. Partrick moved that Joan Barnes be approved for registration as an assistant to a physician. Dr. Wilkerson seconded the motion and same approved.

RE: Dr. Walter Otis Duck, Mars Hill, North Carolina - application complete for registration of William Graham Evans. Dr. Staub moved that William Graham Evans, Jr. be approved for registration as an assistant to a physician. Seconded by Dr. Taylor and approved.



RE: Dr. P. DeWitt Trivette, Hickory, North Carolina - application complete. Dr. Taylor moved that Rachel Vivian Turbyfill be approved for registration as an assistant to a physician. Seconded by Dr. Partrick and approved.

RE: Dr. W. A. Y. Sargent, Burnsville, North Carolina - request for reinstatement of narcotic privileges for Schedule 2. The Board reviewed the file and recent correspondence on Dr. Sargent and his request, countersigned by many physicians in the Burnsville area.

VERDICT: Dr. Edmondson moved that Dr. Sargent be requested to appear before the Board at its May meeting in regard to this request, and if not convenient at that time, he may appear at the June meeting or August meeting of the Board. Seconded by Dr. Taylor and duly passed.

RE: Dr. Henry Oldham Williams, Durham, North Carolina - The Board reviewed the most recent report from Dr. William's psychiatrist on his progress. Dr. Williams was scheduled to appear in March before the Board, but was excused from this meeting to make a trip to his home. Dr. Partrick moved that Dr. Williams be seen in June at the meeting in Raleigh. Seconded by Dr. Edmondson and duly passed.

RE: Wake Health Services, Inc. - The Board reviewed an interview between Dr. Combs and Mr. Esler, Executive Director of Wake Health Services, Inc., with a Dr. Fred Bryan from the Research Triangle also present. This is a non-profit organization (corporation) with the purpose of delivering primary health and medical care in a series of clinics located throughout Wake County, North Carolina. The North Carolina Medical Society was interested in this interview and wanted a copy of same as they had planned to review it at the Annual Meeting of the Society in May, 1973.

VERDICT: Dr. Wilkerson moved that the Executive Secretary have the authority to turn this information from the interview over to the Medical Society and to Dr. Styron and to any other interested parties who are licensed physicians in the State of North Carolina. Dr. Partrick seconded this motion and it was duly passed.

RE: May, 1973 Board Meeting, Pinehurst, North Carolina - The President instructed all Board members and staff that this meeting of the Board will convene at 3:00 P. M. on Sunday, May 20, 1973.

RE: Dr. Roscoe D. McMillan, Red Springs, North Carolina - Dr. McMillan appeared before the Board of Medical Examiners for a routine interview. Dr. McMillan stated he had given very little narcotics since his last appearance before the Board; exactly two doses of morphine for kidney colic and kidney stones. He has treated none of the original patients on the list drawn up by the Board with hard narcotics since that date in October, 1972. He stated that many of these original patients had turned to other sources, such as the streets, for their drug supplies. Dr. McMillan stated he was doing well and has ordered no new narcotic supplies since he appeared before the Board in October, 1972.

VERDICT: The Board commended Dr. McMillan on his following the instructions of the Board and complying with these wishes and instructions as well as was possible. The President stated that the Board still expected continued, comparable compliance in the future, and if there was any deviance from the procedures, the action of the Board would have to be very definitive. Dr. McMillan is to appear before the Board in May and is to bring a comparable list of drugs dispensed to that meeting as he has brought in the past.

RE: Dr. Roscoe D. McMillan, Red Springs, North Carolina - The Board reviewed the most recent and past correspondence from Mrs. F. Pinegar in regard to her mother, Mrs. G. T. Ashford, a former patient of Dr. McMillan. The President of the Board was instructed to write Mrs. Pinegar a letter conveying to her the fact that the Board had taken action in regard to Dr. McMillan, that the Board had examined him on more than one occasion and found him to be in complete compliance with the directives of the Board and that the Board is satisfied that he is practicing medicine according to the law as of the present time.



RE: Dr. Albertus U. Stroupe, Mount Holly, North Carolina - Dr. Stroupe appeared for an interview before the Board after report received from the N. C. Board of Pharmacy that Dr. Stroupe appeared to be dispensing a large amount of amphetamines between the period of October 1, 1972 and December 7, 1972. Dr. Stroupe stated he prescribed amphetamines for diet purposes only, that he did not feel any of his patients were on a maintenance program.

VERDICT: Dr. Stroupe was instructed that the Board felt the best thing for him to do would be to alter his treatment of obesity and shorten the time period in which he treats his patients with amphetamines. He should be very conscientious in not allowing his patients to get onto a maintenance program. Dr. Stroupe was advised that the Board felt his number of prescriptions for amphetamines was inordinately high and that the Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Pharmacy would be monitoring his prescription writing practices. The Board also advised Dr. Stroupe that it realized there had been no profiteering in his use of amphetamines and that they were glad to know that he realized how dangerous amphetamines could be.

The Executive Secretary was instructed to request the Board of Pharmacy to follow up Dr. Stroupe's prescription writing practices for the next three months and report back to the Board of Medical Examiners.

RE: Dr. L. B. Skeen, Mooresville, North Carolina - Dr. Skeen appeared after the Board of Medical Examiners received a report from the N. C. Board of Pharmacy on his prescription writing practices, particularly for two patients for Percodan. Dr. Skeen stated he had written no more prescriptions for amphetamines as the Board requested at the March, 1972 Board meeting. Dr. Skeen reviewed the files of the two patients on Percodan and stated he has had no requests from narcotic addicts for treatment.

VERDICT: The Board told Dr. Skeen they were well-pleased with the way he had complied with their instructions previously, but that from time to time he would still be monitored by the Boards of Pharmacy and Medical Examiners.

The Board adjourned until 2:30 p.m.

2:30 p.m.

RE: Dr. Robert Fraasa, Charlotte, North Carolina - Dr. Fraasa appeared at the Board's request following a report received from the Mecklenburg County Medical Society that many parents had complained about Dr. Fraasa's prescribing drugs for their children. The Board of Pharmacy was requested to make a survey of the area pharmacies prior to Dr. Fraasa's appearance and this report was reviewed. Dr. Fraasa was questioned about his apparent indiscriminate practice of prescribing controlled substances and particularly amphetamines, and he stated he treated many obese patients and also tried to counsel many of the young people in Charlotte, and at times prescribed "softer" drugs to keep them off the "hard" drugs to get them to trust him so that he could counsel them. (see complete, verbatim interview in Fraasa file)

VERDICT: The Board informed Dr. Fraasa that it was pleased at the way in which he had complied with the instructions and wishes of Mr. Epps of the North Carolina Drug Authority, which are the wishes of this Board also, in that he should be much more careful and discriminatory in his prescribing of controlled substances. Dr. Fraasa was told that under the circumstances, he would be monitored at the area pharmacies under Schedules 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the Controlled Substances Act: barbiturates, amphetamines and hard narcotics. The Board told him they felt that he should continue to counsel the young people of the area, but without the use of drugs. He was advised that if anything of a questionable nature was brought before the Board, he would again be called before the Board, but that if he felt he ever needed to talk with this Board, to feel free to let the Board know.

The Executive Secretary was instructed to write Dr. Citron, President of the Mecklenburg County Medical Society that Dr. Fraasa had appeared before the Board and the Board felt he had complied diligently with the instructions from the North Carolina Drug Authority, which coincided with the wishes of the Board of Medical Examiners and that he was told he would be monitored in his prescription-writing practices of controlled substances; and if there were any further abuses, he would again be called before the Board. Dr. Fraasa is to be periodically checked on by the N. C. Board of Pharmacy.



RE: Dr. Floyd Deen, Jr., Morven, North Carolina - Dr. Deen appeared before the North Carolina Board of Medical Examiners following a request by the Ad Hoc Medicaid Peer Review Committee of the North Carolina Medical Society that the N. C. Board of Medical Examiners review the practice patterns and Medicaid billings of Dr. Deen, including amounts paid, sample claims, patient profiles and physician profiles. This situation had been brought to the attention of the Peer Review Committee by the N. C. Department of Social Services following an investigation of Dr. Deen's mode of practice. It was requested that this Board give a recommendation on Dr. Deen's claims as to whether there was over-utilization in the claims. Dr. Deen was interviewed by the Board and questioned on his general practice procedures and methods of billing and also on specific cases and files as presented to the Board by the Peer Review Committee.

VERDICT: Dr. Deen was told that this Board was asked to look into his particular situation by the Medicaid Peer Review Committee and a report of this interview would be made to them. That by his own admission during the interview and by the obvious facts, there has been over-utilization in numerous instances. He was told that there were certain facts in the individual cases that bordered on the unethical practice of medicine and that this Board would forward to him information on medical ethics. Dr. Deen was told that he was involved in fee-splitting, which was unethical in every way. He was urged to read this information on medical ethics, re-evaluate his mechanism of charging and be sure that he is not involved in profiteering. He was also urged to meet with a representative of Medicaid and resolve the differences that appeared to exist in Medicaid's ideas and his own ideas of what is "reasonably necessary" in maintaining the health of his patients. He was urged not to take this interview lightly.


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