

**Medical Licensing Board of Indiana
Indiana Government Center - South Building
Room W064
402 W. Washington Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204**

**Minutes from the Meeting of
February 22, 2024**

John Strobel, MD, President, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and declared a quorum in accordance with IC 25-26-13-3(d), pursuant to public notice posted at the principal office for the Board, online at the board's website and on the state calendar at least forty-eight (48) hours before the time of the meeting.

Board Members Present:

John Strobel, MD
Kirk Masten, DO
Frank Messina, MD
Bharat Barai, MD
Victoria McCann, JD
Heidi Dunniway, MD

Board Members Absent:

Rebecca Mueller, MD

PLA Staff:

Evan Bartel, Executive Director
Christine Maslan, Board Director
Kiko Dixon
Caitlin Cress

Advisory Counsel:

Adam Harvey, JD

Court Reporter:

Accurate Reporting – Margie Addington

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda.
Dunniway/Masten 6-0-0

Readoption of Current Rules

Motion to readopt
McCann/Masten 6-0-0

Draft Rule Modifications - Acupuncturists

Motion to adopt rule modification
Masten/Barai 6-0-0

Adoption of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the AMENDED minutes from December 7, 2023. Strobel/Dunniway 6-0-0.

Discussion Items

1. OAG Report - presented by Amy Osborne Section Chief
2. Director's Report – presented by Christine Maslan
3. Anesthesiologist Assistant by Reciprocity
4. Julie Reed, ISMA and Dough Boyle, PLA – Legislative Update

Administrative Hearings

Oluyemisi Adeyemi Bero, M.D., License No: 01048286A - Cause No. 2023 MLB 0033

Appeal

DAG: None

Respondent: Appeared with counsel, Laura Iosue

Exhibit(s): Exhibit 1 – General Information
Exhibit 2 – Education
Exhibit 3 – Indiana Licensure Certificate, March 1998
Exhibit 4 – Texas Licensure
Exhibit 5 – Nigerian Licensure Certificate
Exhibit 6 – Organization Membership
Exhibit 7 – The ARK Clinic
Exhibit 8 – Letter from Olajumoke Obe, ARK Administrative Head, June 2023

Witness(es): Dr. Bero

A motion was made and seconded to GRANT the appeal of license renewal denial AND accept withdrawal or the renewal application.

Strobel/Barai 6-0-0.
Motion carries

Eric Christian Jones, M.D., License No: 01047098A - Cause No. 2015 MLB 0013

Reinstatement – Continued

John Patrick Kenny, IV, M.D., License No: 01087112A - Cause No. 2022 MLB 0005

Probation Withdrawal

DAG: None
Respondent: Appeared with counsel, K. Michael Gaerte
Exhibit(s): Exhibit A – Order granting license on probation dated 3.17.2022
Exhibit B – Illinois Notice of Filing dated 6.27.2023
Exhibit C – Illinois Consent Order dated 11.29.2023

Witness(es): Dr. John Patrick Kenney, IV, Jennifer Jackson-Harr, ISMA PAP

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE the probation withdrawal.

Barai/Messina 6-0-0.
Motion carries

Bamidele Adekunle Adeagbo, M.D., License No: 01080723A - Cause No. 2023 MLB 0003

Final Hearing

DAG: Ian Mathew
Respondent: Appeared with counsel, Holly Reedy
Exhibit(s): State's Exhibit A
State's Exhibit B
State's Exhibit C
Respondent's Exhibit 1

Witness(es): Dr. Adeagbo, and Andrea Mills OAG licensing enforcement

A motion was made and seconded to FIND IN VIOLATION.

Barai/McCann 6-0-0.
Motion carries

A motion was made and seconded to impose no sanctions or discipline to license.

Barai/Messina 6-0-0

Bhanoo Sharma, M.D., License No: 01068327A - Cause No. 2023 MLB 0017

Admin Complaint and Renewal Application

DAG: Jackson Yerkes, Carah Rochester
Respondent: Appeared with counsel, Barclay Wong
Exhibit(s): State's Exhibit A
State's Exhibit B
Witness(es): Dr. Sharma, Andrea Mills OAG licensing enforcement

A motion for a positive finding on counts one and two of the administrative complaint.

Messina/Masten 6-0-0.
Motion carries

Motion was made and seconded to place the license on PROBATION with terms and conditions and Fine of \$2,000.

Masten/Messina 6-0-0.
Motion carries

Motion to renew license to active status, change status to probation once order is received.

Messina/Masten 6-0-0.
Motion carries

Public Rules Hearing

Convictions of concern

No one appeared to make comments.

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the rule.

Masten/Barai 6-0-0

Personal Appearances

Initial Application

Karla Stephen, MD

A motion was made and seconded to GRANT this license.

Strobel/Masten 6-0-0.

Paul Harkey, MD

A motion was made and seconded to GRANT this license.

Strobel/Masten 6-0-0.

Todd Dreitzler, MD

A motion was made and seconded to GRANT this license.

Barai/Masten 6-0-0.

Abdon Borges Jr, MD

Failed to Appear

Radwan Mallah, MD

A motion was made and seconded to GRANT this license.

Barai/Dunniway 6-0-0.

Quantel Rolle, MD

A motion was made and seconded to GRANT this license.
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Chiedozie Ofoma, MD
A motion was made and seconded to GRANT this license.
Masten/Barai 6-0-0

Swaminatha Gurudevan, MD
A motion was made and seconded to GRANT this license.
Barai/Masten 6-0-0

Reinstatement

Brett Wills, DO
A motion was made and seconded to complete an evaluation with ISMA PAP, TABLE until eval results are available to present to the board.
Masten/Strobel 6-0-0.

Louie Williams, MD
A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE the reinstatement.
Messina/McCann 6-0-0.

Waiver Request

Alex Mirakian, M
A motion was made and seconded to TABLE this application. We need proof of 2 years of ACGME accredited training in the US or needs a waiver
Strobel/Masten 5-0-0.

Yousif El-Gammal, MD
A motion was made and seconded to TABLE this application until he has received KY license.
Strobel/Masten 6-0-0.

Keyur Vora, MD
A motion was made and seconded to GRANT waiver request and issue the training permit with no restrictions.
Barai/Strobel 6-0-0.

Meera Gopu, MD
Waiver request

Usually needs: LORs, 3-year employment contract (preferably in an underserved area)
A motion was made to TABLE this application.

Renewal

Gary Moore, MD

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal with \$250 citation.
Masten/Dunniway 6-0-0.

Michael Kaplan, MD

Licensee withdrew renewal application.

Timothy Cook, MD

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal with \$250 citation.
Barai/Masten 6-0-0.

Victor Kopyev, MD

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal.
Messina/Masten 6-0-0.

Ayoola Gomih, MD

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal with \$250 citation.
Barai/Strobel 6-0-0.

Anita Toussi, MD

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal.
StrobelMasten 5-0-0.

Luis Colon, MD

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal.
Masten/Strobel 5-0-0.

Joseph Babu, MD

Failed to Appear

Howard Halstead III, MD

Failed to Appear

Bruce Hertz, MD

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal and refer to the OAG.
Strobel/Masten 5-0-0.

Whitaker Smith, MD

Withdrew renewal application

Daniel Cecil, MD

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal and refer to ISMA PAP.
Strobel/Masten 5-0-0.

Geoffrey Cly, MD

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal.
Messina/Masten 5-0-0.

John Cummings Jr, MD

Failed to Appear

Ruth Goodell, MD
Failed to Appear

Deepak Guttikonda, MD – Appearance cancelled.

Herbert Hoover Jr, MD
Failed to Appear

Swati Jain, MD
Failed to Appear

Nishant Kalra, MD
A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal.
Messina/McCann 6-0-0

Geoffrey Kamen, MD
Failed to Appear

Corpia Keyes, MD
A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal.
Masten/Dunniway 6-0-0

Bashar Kiami, MD
Failed to Appear

Charles Kwaw, MD
Failed to Appear

Neva Lynch-Jackson, MD
A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal with \$250 citation.
Barai/Masten 6-0-0.

Kurt Madsen, MD
A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal.
Masten/Barai 6-0-0

Sherif Shamaa, MD
Failed to Appear

Eliau Shepherd, MD
Failed to Appear

Robert Stears, MD
A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal.
Strobel/Masten 6-0-0

Hoang Tran, MD
A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal.
Messina/Barai 6-0-0

Judith Wright, MD

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal.

Barai/Messina 5-0-0.

Dr. Strobel recused

Ilana Kirsch, MD

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal.

Barai/Messina 6-0-0.

Amir Malik, MD

Practicing in TX, in practice since 2001. May of 2023 case review (12 cases) outside review none showed deviation from standard of care. Hospital decided to require a proctor for certain types of cases. TX board is aware of his situation. Also licensed in OK, has not heard from OK board, has never used OK license. Uses IN license to do locums at Parkview Hospital. Two medical cases in course of career.

A motion was made and seconded to Approve this license renewal.

Masten/Dunniway 6-0-0.

Donald Miller, DO

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal and refer to ISMA PAP.

Strobel/Barai 6-0-0.

Timothy Feeney, MD

Failure to Disclose on 2023 renewal

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE this license renewal with \$250 citation

Messina/Masten 6-0-0.

Failure to Appear:

Joseph Babu, MD

Howard Halstead III, MD

John Cummings Jr, MD

Ruth Goodell, MD

Herbert Hoover Jr, MD

Swati Jain, MD

Geoffrey Kamen, MD

Bashar Kiami, MD

Charles Kwaw, MD

Sherif Shamaa, MD

Elian Shepherd, MD

Motion to deny license renewal based on failure to appear.

Strobel/Masten 5-0-0

There being no further business the Board ADJOURNED at 6:02 p.m.