

**MEDICAL LICENSING BOARD OF INDIANA
INDIANA GOVERNMENT CENTER SOUTH
402 WEST WASHINGTON STREET
ROOM W064
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46204**

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 22, 2018

John Strobel, D.O., President, called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. A quorum was declared in accordance with IC 25-22.5.

Members Present: John Strobel, M.D., President
Kirk Masten, M.D., Vice President
Victoria McCann, J.D., Secretary
Bharat Barai, M.D., Member
Michael Busk, M.D., Member

Members Absent: Rebecca Mueller, M.D., Member
Scott Green, M.D., Member

Staff Present: Darren R. Covington, J.D., Board Director
Professional Licensing Agency
Kimberly A. Letko, Assistant Board Director
Professional Licensing Agency
James Schmidt, Deputy Attorney General
Office of the Attorney General

The Board voted to adopt the agenda.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Masten/Barai, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

The Board voted to adopt the minutes of the January 25, 2018 meeting.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Barai/Masten, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

FULL BOARD APPEARANCES

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Tabitha Arnett, Executive Director, Indiana Osteopathic Association

Ms. Arnett appeared before the Board to introduce herself as the new Executive Director for the Indiana Osteopathic Association. Ms. Arnett's background includes working with the Indiana Psychology Association for four (4) years, and prior to that she worked for the Indiana Pharmacy Association for eleven (11) years.

Ms. Arnett spoke to the Board regarding the Indiana Osteopathic Association's Osteopathic Physician Loan Forgiveness Program. This program gives ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars for the purpose of student loan repayment to Osteopathic Physicians who completed their residency program in Indiana and decide to return to Indiana to practice, or currently practice in Indiana.

Ms. Arnett also spoke about the Indiana Osteopathic Association's activity with current bills in legislation, which included House Bill 1384 and Senate Bill 221.

Ms. Arnett concluded with information regarding their next Association meeting, which is April 19th, 2018.

DISCUSSION

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Federation of State Medical Boards 106th Annual Meeting Delegate

The Board discussed which Board members would like to attend the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) Conference at the Sheraton-Le Meridien Charlotte Complex in Charlotte, North Carolina, on April 26 through April 28, 2018, as the Board's delegates.

Darren Covington reached out to Rebecca Mueller, M.D. and Michael Busk, M.D. to see if either of them would like to attend. Darren Covington stated neither would be able to attend. The Board discussed Bharat Barai, M.D. attending as a Board delegate. Dr. Barai stated he would check his schedule and contact Darren with his possible availability.

Retirement/Surrender Requests

Ahad Dilmaghani, M.D. - 01031338A – Retirement request

After discussion the Board moved to APPROVE Dr. Dilmaghani's request for retirement of his Indiana Medical License.

McCann/Masten, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

Citations

Andre Artis – 01037773A – Death certificate complaint

Patient died on August 18, 2017 and the death certificate was assigned to Dr. Artis on August 21, 2017. The death certificate was not signed until October 19, 2017. There was no explanation provided by Dr. Artis for the delay.

After discussion the Board moved to IMPOSE a FINE of TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY (\$250.00) DOLLARS to be PAID within THIRTY (30) DAYS of the date on the ORDER.

Masten/Busk, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

Angelique Brown, M.D., 01045570A – Death certificate complaint

Patient died on September 24, 2017 and the death certificate was assigned to Dr. Brown on September 27, 2017. The death certificate was not signed until sometime between November 13 and November 27, 2017. There was no explanation provided by Dr. Brown for the delay.

After discussion the Board moved to IMPOSE a FINE of TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY (\$250.00) DOLLARS to be PAID within THIRTY (30) DAYS of the date on the ORDER.

Masten/Busk, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

Renewal Application Form Review

- A. Postgraduate Training Permit
 - Board agreed to no changes
- B. Fellowship Permit
 - Board agreed to no changes
- C. Genetic Counselor
 - Board agreed to remove question number five (5) from the renewal application questionnaire
- D. Diabetes Educator
 - Board agreed to modify question number two (2) on the renewal application questionnaire by replacing residency program with employer.
- E. Acupuncture – Chiropractor
 - Board agreed to no changes

LICENSURE APPLICATION REVIEW

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Yassin Khattab, M.D. – Waiver request for transcripts

The Board had requested a copy of Dr. Khattab's medical school transcripts from the Kentucky Medical Licensing Board after review of his application and waiver request at the January 25, 2018 Board meeting. Kentucky is the only state where Dr. Khattab is licensed.

The Board received a letter from the Kentucky Medical Licensing Board stating that they do not require a copy of an applicant's transcripts in order to obtain licensure in the State of Kentucky.

After discussion, the Board moved to GRANT Dr. Khattab LICENSURE in the State of Indiana.

Barai/McCann, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

REINSTATEMENT APPLICATION REVIEW

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Gregory Sutton, M.D. – 01032586 – Complaint

A complaint was filed against Dr. Sutton regarding issues with acceptable standards of care and negative performance reviews at St. Vincent Health and Michiana Hematology Oncology, from 2004 through 2015. Dr. Sutton's employment with Michiana Hematology Oncology was terminated on October 23, 2015.

After discussion, the Board moved to APPROVE the REINSTATEMENT of Dr. Sutton's LICENSE with the understanding that he will have a final hearing regarding the complaint at a later date.

Masten/McCann, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Satyanarayana Raju, M.D. – Probation – Approval of practice location

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Dr. Raju appeared before the Board with counsel, Michael Roth, regarding a request to change his practice location, while on probation, to Associated Physicians of Indiana.

Dr. Raju had appeared before the board last month regarding approval of a practice location at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville, Indiana, which was approved by the Board. However, Dr. Raju was also offered a position at Associated Physicians of Indiana, located in Crawfordsville, Indiana, which is much closer to his residence in Danville, Illinois.

Dr. Raju will not be prescribing controlled substances at Associated Physicians on Indiana.

After discussion, the Board moved to APPROVE Dr. Raju to PRACTICE at Associated Physicians of Indiana.

McCann/Masten, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

Matthew DeBurger, A.A.– Initial Application – Positive Response

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Mr. DeBurger appeared before the Board with counsel, Joshua Burress, regarding a previously tabled appearance due to the Board requesting a signed monitoring contract and compliance with contract.

Mr. DeBurger has entered into a monitoring contract with Anne Kelly and Soberlink due to the recommendations of an evaluation that Mr. DeBurger completed at Positive Sobriety Inc.

Mr. DeBurger presented documentation to the Board showing that, along with his continued compliance with the monitoring contract and Soberlink, he attends five (5) Alcoholics Anonymous meetings per week.

After discussion, the Board moved to GRANT Mr. DeBurger LICENSURE as an Anesthesiologist Assistant in the State of Indiana.

Barai/Masten, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

Andrew N. Felman, M.D. – Initial Application – Failure to disclose

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Dr. Felman appeared before the Board with counsel, Robert Saint, regarding the Board tabling his appearance from the previous Board meeting in order to give him time to finish his inpatient treatment program.

Dr. Felman entered into a contract with the Indiana Medical Association Physician Assistance Program (ISMA) and Soberlink. Dr. Felman completed nine (9) weeks of inpatient treatment at Bradford Health Services and attends daily Alcoholics Anonymous meetings.

Candace Backer, Physician Assistance Coordinator for ISMA, stated to the Board that ISMA will report any issues with compliance to the Board, per Dr. Felman's agreement.

Dr. Felman has been sober for ninety (90) days.

After discussion, the Board moved to GRANT Dr. Felman LICENSURE in the State of Indiana.

Masten/Barai, 5/0/0

Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

Franklin C. Nwoke, M.D. – Initial Application – Positive response

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Dr. Nwoke answered yes to question number ten (10) on his initial application for licensure, which asks:

“Have you ever been terminated or disciplined by your employer while practicing as a physician or resigned in lieu of discipline?”

Dr. Nwoke was terminated from SSM Health Care of Oklahoma, via St. Anthony Hospital, on September 14, 2017 as a result of, according to the termination letter, committing a serious and repeated breach of his employment agreement which, according to SSM Health Care of Oklahoma, included engaging in conduct that is not conducive to, or otherwise disrupts, a harmonious work environment; not presenting to work for regularly scheduled shifts; had not responded to emergency calls, thereby failing to maintain a full time practice and jeopardizing the health and safety of their patients.

Dr. Nwoke's explanation stated that he emailed his manager that he needed to take a leave of absence for family health issues. At the end of the week he was absent, he received a letter terminating his employment.

After discussion, the Board moved to GRANT Dr. Nwoke LICENSURE in the State of Indiana.

Barai/McCann, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

Sameh S. Barayan, M.D. – 01042404A – Invalid social security number

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Dr. Barayan submitted an application for renewal on July 17, 2017. Due to changes in our licensing software, a hold was automatically placed on his online application due to the social security number that is listed in the agency system not meeting the criteria for a valid social security number.

After discussion, the Board moved to DENY Dr. Barayan's RENEWAL of his medical LICENSE.

Masten/Barai, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

Van Evanoff, Jr., M.D. – 01053652A – Positive response on renewal application

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Dr. Evanoff answered yes to question number three on the renewal application, which asks:

“Since you last renewed, and except for minor traffic violations of traffic laws resulting in fines and arrests or convictions that have been expunged by a court, have you ever been arrested, entered into a diversion agreement, been convicted of, pled guilty to, or pled nolo contendere to any offense, misdemeanor, or felony in any state?”

On July 21, 2016 Dr. Evanoff was arrested for operating a vehicle while intoxicated and on September 19, 2016 he was charged and convicted of Operating a Vehicle with an Alcoholic Concentration Equivalent of .15 or More, a Class A Misdemeanor. Dr. Evanoff was placed on one year of probation.

After renewal application review by Dr. Masten, it was recommended that Dr. Evanoff contact the Indiana State Medical Association Physician Assistance Program (ISMA PAP) for an evaluation.

ISMA PAP recommended that he complete his evaluation at Positive Sobriety Inc. (PSI). PSI recommended inpatient rehabilitation due to his sever issues with alcohol and drug dependency. Dr. Evanoff stated that he could not afford inpatient treatment and is currently under the care of a psychologist.

Dr. Evanoff has not practiced medicine in a clinical setting since January 16, 2017. After discussion, the Board moved to APPROVE the RENEWAL Dr. Evanoff's LICENSE on PROBATION with terms and conditions that include not allowing him to practice medicine in a clinical setting until he has signed a contract with ISMA PAP and followed all treatment recommendations; and not able to petition to modify the terms of the probation until he has fully completed and complied with the contract period with ISMA.

McCann/Barai, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

Munesh S. Kalsi, M.D. – 01069196A – Failed to disclose on renewal application

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Dr. Kalsi failed to answer yes to question number four (4) on his renewal application, which asks:

Since you last renewed, have you had a malpractice judgment against you or settled any malpractice action?

Dr. Kalsi's National Practitioner Data Bank identified a malpractice settlement for eighty thousand dollars which was settled on October 4, 2016.

Dr. Kalsi was scheduled for a personal appearance at the January 25, 2018 Board meeting but failed to appear before the Board. The Board decided to reschedule him for this Board meeting but he, again, failed to appear.

After discussion, the Board moved to DENY Dr. Kalsi's application for RENEWAL of his LICENSE.

Barai/McCann, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

John Kencos, M.D. – 01027285A – Positive Response on Renewal Application

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Dr. Kencos answered yes to the following question on his renewal application:

“Since you last renewed, have you surrendered your DEA registration at any time or had any limitations or discipline placed on your DEA registration?”

Dr. Kencos was sent multiple emails and letters by the Board requesting an explanation as to why he answered yes to this question, but no reply was received.

Dr. Kencos was scheduled to appear before the Board on September 28, 2017 and due to his failure to appear, the Board requested to reschedule for the October 2017 Board meeting. Dr. Kencos failed to appear at the October Board meeting and the Board rescheduled him to appear at the December 2017 meeting. Dr. Kencos failed to appear at the December 2017 Board meeting and the Board rescheduled him to appear at the January 2018 Board meeting. Dr. Kencos failed to appear at the January 2018 Board meeting and the Board rescheduled him to appear at the February 2018 Board meeting.

The February 2018 Board meeting was the last available date to schedule a personal appearance within the 120 day Board review period. Dr. Kencos failed to appear at the February 2018 Board meeting.

After discussion, the Board moved to DENY Dr. Kencos' application for RENEWAL of his medical LICENSE.

Barai/Masten, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion Carries

Narayan Mulamalla, M.D. – 01035355A – Failed to disclose on reinstatement application

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Dr. Mulamalla failed to appear before the Board for this personal appearance.

Dr. Mulamalla failed to disclose license suspension in Illinois and exclusion from Medicaid/Medicare on his reinstatement application.

After discussion, the Board moved to DENY Dr. Mulamalla's application for REINSTATEMENT of his medical LICENSE.

Barai/Masten, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion Carries

Nasser Nakissa, M.D. – 01028381A – Positive Response on Reinstatement Application

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Dr. Nakissa appeared before the Board with counsel, Brett Clayton, regarding the positive responses on his application for reinstatement.

Dr. Nakissa answered yes to the following questions on his reinstatement application:

1. Since you last renewed, has any professional license, certificate, registration, or permit you hold or have held been disciplined or are formal charges pending in any state?
2. Since you last renewed, have you been denied a license, certificate, registration, or permit in any state?

5. Since you last renewed, have you been denied staff membership or privileges in any hospital or health care facility or have staff membership or privileges been revoked, suspended, or subject to any restriction, probation, or other type of discipline – or have you resigned in lieu of discipline or termination?
6. Since you last renewed, have you been excluded from being a Medicare or Medicaid provider?
7. Since you last renewed, have you surrendered your DEA registration at any time or had any limitations or discipline placed on your DEA registration?

Dr. Nakissa's Indiana medical license has not been active since 1980.

On October 18, 2013 Dr. Nakissa entered into an agreed order of voluntary surrender in which Dr. Nakissa voluntarily and permanently surrendered his Texas medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings regarding an investigation related to allegations that he engaged in the non-therapeutic prescribing of controlled substances.

On October 31, 2015, the State of New York Department of Health and State Board for Professional Medical Conduct revoked Dr. Nakissa's New York Medical License due to his failure to disclose his surrender of his Texas medical license on his New York State Education Department of Registration renewal application.

After discussion the Board moved to DENY Dr. Nakissa's application for REINSTATEMENT of his medical LICENSE.

Masten/Barai, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion Carries

Michael W. Skehan, M.D. – 01030034A – Not worked in clinical setting since 2012

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Since leaving Indiana in 2012, Dr. Skehan had been employed by Martin Health System as their Chief Medical Officer, based in Stuart, Florida. That role did not require a Florida license since he was not involved in direct patient clinical care. Dr. Skehan retired from that position in 2015 and now has decided to enter back into consultative medical administration work.

Dr. Skehan does not plan to practice clinically but some of the medical administrative positions that interest him do require an active medical license.

Dr. Skehan does not hold an active medical license in any other state.

After discussion, the Board moved to APPROVE Dr. Skehan for a PROVISIONAL LICENSE that does not allow him to practice medicine in a clinical setting until he completes the SPEX exam and petitions the Board to remove the provision.

Barai/Strobel, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion Carries

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

The following hearings were continued:

Anandkumar Koyani, M.D., License No. 01021660A, Cause No. 2017 MLB 0050

Gregory P. Sutton, M.D., License No. 01032586A, Cause No. 2017 MLB 0016

Brett E. Wills, D.O., License No. 02004139A, Cause No. 2017 0023

Kurt Froelich, M.D., License No. 01044834A, Cause No. 2015 MLB 0049

Michael T. Bangert, M.D., License No. 01079385A, Cause No. 2017 MLB 0039

Respondent appeared in person but without counsel regarding an Order to Show Cause scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Laura Iosue, Supervising Deputy Attorney General and Robert Watkins, Deputy Attorney General. The court reporter sworn in for this matter was Peggy Morgan with Circle City Reporting.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Respondent appeared before the Board on September 28, 2017 regarding positive responses on his application for licensure. The Board moved to approve Respondent's license on Probation with terms and conditions which included that he enter into a contract with the Indiana State Medical Association Physician Assistance Program (ISMA PAP).

At the December 7, 2017 Board meeting the Board moved to issue an Order to Show cause due to the fact that Respondent had not entered into a contract with ISMA PAP, per the terms and conditions of his probation.

Respondent signed a contract with ISMA on February 20, 2018, which stipulated that he agreed not to practice medicine in the State of Indiana until he has had a full assessment.

Candace Backer, Physician Assistance Coordinator for ISMA PAP, presented to the Board that part of the full assessment included obtaining Respondent's medical records and that they have been trying to obtain his medical records since October of 2017 but still do not have all of them.

After discussion, the Board moved to DISMISS the ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE.

Masten/Barai, 4/1/0
Aye's: Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Nays: McCann
Motion carries

Mikhail M. Galperin, M.D., License No. 01075196A, Cause No. 2018 MLB 0011

Respondent failed to appear in person but was represented by counsel, Joshua Burrell, regarding a Petition for Summary Suspension scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Jessica Krug, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Peggy Morgan with Circle City Reporting.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

The State presented that Respondent was allegedly taking fentanyl from the hospital where he worked for personal use.

Respondent is currently in treatment at Bradford Health Services.

The State admitted the following exhibit into evidence:

Exhibit 1: Letter from Jason P. Jablonski, RPh, Administrative Director, Saint Joseph Health System.

Both parties agreed to a Petition for Summary Suspension for ninety (90) days.

After discussion, the Board moved SUMMARILY SUSPEND Respondent's LICENSE for NINETY (90) DAYS.

Barai/Masten, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

Louis Albert Hahn, M.D., License No. 01032332A, Cause No. 2018 MLB 0006

Respondent failed to appear in person or with counsel regarding a Petition for Summary Suspension scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Robert Watkins, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Peggy Morgan with Circle City Reporting.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

State requested dismissal of Petition.

After discussion, the Board moved to DISMISS the PETITION for SUMMARY SUSPENSION.

McCann/Masten, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

Charles Heinsen, M.D., License No. 01021497A, Cause No. 2014 MLB 0021

Respondent appeared in person but without counsel regarding a Petition to Withdraw Probation scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Robert Watkins, Deputy Attorney General and Laura Iosue, Supervising Deputy Attorney General. The court reporter sworn in for this matter was Peggy Morgan with Circle City Reporting.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Respondent appeared before the Board requesting to have probation withdrawn.

Respondent admitted the following exhibit into evidence:
Exhibit 1: CME certificate from September 12, 2017

Respondent plans to provide general medicine to several physician groups, including Dr. Gatsimos, a pain management physician.

Respondent failed to demonstrate an adequate understanding for prescribing controlled substances, which is why he was placed on probation.

After discussion the Board moved to DENY Respondent's PETITION to WITHDRAW PROBATION.

McCann/Busk, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

Michael Love, M.D., License No. 01048505A, Cause No. 2016 MLB 0046

Respondent failed to appear in person or with counsel regarding an Extension of Summary Suspension and Proposed Settlement Agreement scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Stacy Oliver, Deputy Attorney General and Robert Watkins, Deputy Attorney General. The court reporter sworn in for this matter was Peggy Morgan with Circle City Reporting.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Both parties agreed to extend the summary suspension and the settlement agreement.

After discussion, the Board moved to APPROVE the SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT and to EXTEND the SUMMARY SUSPENSION for an ADDITIONAL NINETY (90) DAYS.

Barai/Masten, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Green, Barai
Motion carries

Stephen B. Mason, M.D., License No. 01071644A, Cause No. 2018 MLB 0010

Respondent failed to appear in person or with counsel regarding a Petition for Summary Suspension and Proposed Settlement Agreement scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Stacy Oliver, Deputy Attorney General and Robert Watkins, Deputy Attorney General. The court reporter sworn in for this matter was Peggy Morgan with Circle City Reporting.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Both parties agreed to a settlement agreement which places Respondent's license on Summary Suspension for ninety (90) days.

After discussion the Board moved APPROVE the SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT and PLACE Respondent's LICENSE on SUMMARY SUSPENSION for NINETY (90) DAYS.

McCann/Barai, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

John C. Mathew, M.D., License No. 01035103A, Cause No. 2016 MLB 0028

Respondent appeared in person and with counsel, Mary K. Zhan and James Voyles, regarding a Disciplinary Hearing scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Laura Iosue, Supervising Deputy Attorney General and Ryan Eldridge, Deputy Attorney General. The court reporter sworn in for this matter was Peggy Morgan with Circle City Reporting.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

The State presented that on February 27, 2017, Respondent pled guilty to two (2) counts of Sexual Battery, both a level six (6) felonies. Respondent was sentenced to four (4) years of probation, which included two of those years on home detention.

Respondent's home confinement is scheduled to terminate in April of 2018, at which time he will begin two additional years of probation.

Respondent registered with the Indiana Sex and Violent Offender registry and will be on the registry until April 17, 2027.

Respondent began a community-based Adult Sexual Offender Treatment program on May 1, 2017.

State's Exhibits:

Exhibits A: Huntington Circuit Court Probable Cause Determination and Order

Exhibits B: Huntington Circuit Court Motion to Enter a Plea of Guilty

Exhibits C: Huntington Circuit Court Order on Entry of Plea of Guilty

Exhibits D: Huntington Circuit Court Sentencing Order

Respondent's Exhibits:

Exhibit 1: Letter of recommendation from J. David Carnes, M.D.

Exhibit 2: Letter of recommendation from Moan M. Menon, M.D.

Exhibit 3: Letter of recommendation from Robert W. Godley, M.D., F.A.C.C.

Exhibit 4: Letter of recommendation from Teresa Close, NP-C

Exhibit 5: Letter of recommendation from Paula Garrett

Exhibit 6: Letter of recommendation from Mollie McDaniel Mowery NP-C, MSN, RN

Exhibit 7: Letter of recommendation from Heather Cearbaugh, Certified Medical Surgical Registered Nurse Leader

Exhibit 8: Letter of recommendation from Christine K. Scheerer

Exhibit 9: Letter of recommendation from Rebecca Gonzales

Exhibit 10: Letter of recommendation from Mary Lou Snyder

Exhibit 11: Letter of recommendation from Gene Snowden

Exhibit 12: Letter of recommendation from Laurie A. Prue

Exhibit 13: Letter of recommendation from Swapna Joseph, M.D.

Exhibit 14: Respondent's Evaluation letter from Eduardo Pereira, LCSW, Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Director of Clinical Services, Family Services and Respondent's Static 99 Risk Assessment.

After discussion, the Board moved to find Respondent in violation of IC 25-1-9-4(a)(2)(B).

McCann/Barai, 5/0/0

Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai

Motion carries

Further discussion, the Board moved to REVOKE Respondent's LICENSE and ISSUE a FINE of ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000.00) DOLLARS.

McCann/Barai, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

James E. Ranochak, M.D., License No. 01026732A, Cause No. 2017 MLB 0028

Respondent failed to appear in person but with counsel, Robert Saint, regarding an Extension of Summary Suspension and Proposed Settlement Agreement scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Jessica Krug, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Peggy Morgan with Circle City Reporting.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Both parties have agreed to a settlement agreement that extends the summary suspension for an additional 90 days.

After discussion, the Board moved to APPROVE the SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT and to EXTEND the SUMMARY SUSPENSION for an ADDITIONAL NINETY (90) DAYS.

Barai/Masten, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

Shane T. Sampson, M.D., License No. 01038529A, Cause No. 2017 MLB 0051

Respondent appeared in person but without counsel regarding a Disciplinary Hearing scheduled before the Board. The State of Indiana was represented by Roxanne Hilton, Deputy Attorney General and the court reporter sworn in for this matter was Peggy Morgan with Circle City Reporting.

Participating Board Members: John Strobel, M.D., Kirk Masten, M.D., Victoria McCann, J.D., Bharat Barai, M.D., Michael Busk, M.D.

Respondent's Board discipline in Ohio included boundaries issues and prescribing practice issues. Respondent's license was placed on Probation for two (2) years on August 9, 2017.

The State admitted the following exhibits into evidence:

Exhibit A: Certified copy of Ohio Board Discipline

The Respondent's admitted the following exhibits into evidence:

Exhibit 1: Consent agreement 1 and receipt

Exhibit 2: Consent agreement 2, and receipt

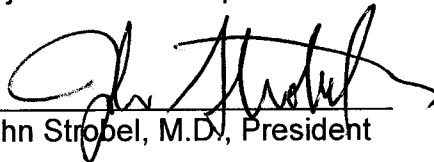
Exhibit 3: Renewal of Indiana License, and Letter of Explanation

- Exhibit 4: Medical Ethics, Boundaries, and Professionalism Brochure, and Certificate of Completion
- Exhibit 5: Controlled Substance Prescribing Brochure and certificate of completion
- Exhibit 6: American Board of Family Medicine certification letter to rescind, and letter to reinstate
- Exhibit 7: Letter from Compliance officer clarifying current status of Ohio license

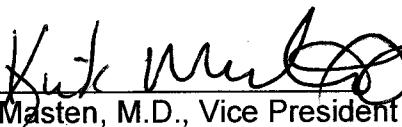
After discussion, the Board moved to hold Respondent in Violation of IC 25-1-9-4(a)(7) and PLACE his LICENSE on INDEFINITE PROBATION without the opportunity to petition for withdrawal until Ohio license is free and clear.

Strobel/Masten, 5/0/0
Aye's: McCann, Masten, Strobel, Busk, Barai
Motion carries

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.



John Strobel, M.D., President



Kirk Masten, M.D., Vice President