

**MINUTES**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**MEDICAL LICENSURE COMMISSION OF ALABAMA**  
**Meeting Location: 848 Washington Avenue**  
**Montgomery, Alabama 36104**

**December 21, 2020**

MEMBERS PRESENT IN PERSON &  
VIA VIDEO (V)

George C. Smith, Sr., M.D., Chairman  
Craig H. Christopher, M.D., Vice Chairman  
James H. Walburn, M.D. (V)  
Jorge A. Alsip, M.D.  
Pamela Varner, M.D. (V)  
Gary Hill, D.O. (V)  
Paul M. Nagrodzki, M.D.  
L. Daniel Morris, Esq.

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Karen H. Silas, MLC Recording Secretary  
Wallace D. Mills, MLC Legal Counsel  
Heather Lindemann, MLC Licensing Assistant  
Nicole Chapman, Administrative Assistant  
RK Johnson- Physician Monitoring  
Chris Hart - Technology

SECURITY

Anthony Crenshaw- Security  
Scott Sides - Security  
Buddy Chavez-Security  
Stephen Lavender- Security  
Greg Hardy - Security  
Randy Dixon - Security

Call to Order: 9:01 a.m.

Prior notice having been given in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act, and with a quorum of eight members present, Commission Chairman, George C. Smith Sr., M.D., convened the monthly meeting of the Alabama Medical Licensure Commission.

Larry D. Dixon Prior to the start of business the Commission members paused for a moment of silence in memory of Larry D. Dixon who passed away on December 4, 2020. Larry served as the Executive Director of the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners from 1981 until his retirement in 2016.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

MINUTES Commissioner Christopher made a motion that the Minutes of November 23, 2020 be approved as presented. A second was made by Commissioner Morris. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **FULL LICENSURE APPLICANTS**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Medical School</u></b>	<b><u>Endorsement</u></b>
1. Shalla Akbar	Rawalpindi Medical College, University of the Punjab	USMLE
2. Tova Liana Alladice	Georgetown University School of Medicine	USMLE/GA
3. Darshana Pritesh Amin	University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX/MA
4. Neil Anand	St Georges University of London	USMLE/CA
5. Joseph William Anderson	University of South Alabama College of Medicine	USMLE
6. Roy Delbert Ary Jr.	Louisiana State University Medical Center In Shreveport	NBME/LA
7. Ammar Ali Mubarak Asban	Aden University Faculty of Medicine	USMLE
8. Ibrahim Mohammad Askar	University of South Carolina School of Medicine	USMLE
9. Ethan Daniel Atwood	University of Arkansas College of Medicine	USMLE
10. Bastien Henri Bacro-Duverger	Medical University of South Carolina College of Medicine	USMLE
11. Klayton Dennie Barrows	Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX
12. Brandon Tyler Beal	Saint Louis University School of Medicine	USMLE/PA
13. Madeline Isabella Bender	University of Alabama School of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
14. Tucker Lee Bettis	Medical College of Georgia School of Medicine	USMLE
15. Nina Grace Bradley	Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX/PA
16. Benjamin James Catoe	Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine, Carolinas	COMLEX/GA
17. Hannah L Chapman	University of Washington School of Medicine	USMLE
18. Chelsea Victoria Clark	University of Alabama School of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
19. Maria Christina Creel-Bulos	Rush Medical College of Rush University	USMLE/MO

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Medical School</u>	<u>Endorsement</u>
20. Claire Elizabeth Crider Cordes	University of Alabama School of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
21. Sandhyarani Dasaraju	Government Medical College Anantapur	USMLE
22. William Thomas Davis	University of Alabama School of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
23. Clayton Cavanaugh Davis	Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX
24. Henry Ashford Debell	University of Alabama School of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
25. Andrew Hiran Dep	Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University	USMLE
26. Divya Devabhaktuni	University of Central Florida College of Medicine	USMLE
27. Cheng Ding	Shandong Medical University	USMLE/PA
28. Kelcey Erin Dunaway	A T Still University School of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX/GA
29. Joseph Timothy Edwards Jr	University of North Carolina School at Chapel Hill SOM	USMLE
30. Elizabeth Mercy Ekpo	University of Texas Medical School at Galveston	USMLE
31. Trenton Chase Elliott	University of Arkansas College of Medicine	USMLE/MA
32. William Bradford Fancher	Tulane University School of Medicine	USMLE
33. Ahsan Farooq	Islamic International Medical College	USMLE
34. Thomas James Fotopoulos	Nova Southeastern University College of Medicine	COMLEX/FL
35. Harrison Matthew Fuqua	Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX
36. Henning Gertz	Keck SOM of the University of Southern California	USMLE/CA
37. Alexandru Matei Ghilezan	Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX
38. Jonathan David Gilmore	University of Iowa College of Medicine	USMLE
39. Paulo Marcelo Gondim Sales	Unive Federal do Cear� Faculdade de Medicina Fortaleza	USMLE/RI
40. Russ Michael Guidry	Louisiana State University School of Medicine New Orleans	USMLE
41. Nawal Habib	University of the Punjab, Kind Edward Medical College	USMLE/PA
42. Nyrene Haque	University of Kentucky College of Medicine	USMLE/VA
43. Natalia Hernandez	Ryazan State Ivan Petrovich Pavlov Medical U Medical Faculty	USMLE/TX
44. Christine Melissa Hude	Oakland University William Beaumont School of Medicine	USMLE
45. Ashley Alane Hudson	University of Alabama School of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE/TX
46. Olivia Madison Hudson	Michigan State University College of Human Medicine	USMLE
47. Stacey Chioma Ikebudu	Morehouse School Of Medicine	USMLE
48. Hameed Iqbal	Aga Khan Medical College, Aga Khan University	USMLE/NY
49. Daniel Brett Jackson	University of South Alabama College of Medicine	USMLE
50. Aaron Alexander Joiner	Liberty University College of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX/GA
51. Jonathan David Jones	University of South Alabama College of Medicine	USMLE
52. Ronald Scott Jordan	Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine, Carolinas	COMLEX
53. Bernard Clement Kim	University of Texas Medical School at Galveston	USMLE/TX
54. Kaitlyn Dinkins Kincaid	Emory University School of Medicine	USMLE
55. Miglena Milenova Kircheva	Medical University of Varna	USMLE/ME
56. Michael David LaRochele	West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX/OH
57. Vida Kai Laudarji	Meharry Medical College School of Medicine	USMLE
58. Sitembile Yejide Lee	Philadelphia College of Osteo Medicine - Georgia Campus	COMLEX
59. Mark Allen Lee	Mercer University School of Medicine	USMLE/GA
60. Melissa Parrish Leslie	University of Alabama School of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE

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61. Michael Alexander Letzing	University of Miami School of Medicine	USMLE/FL
62. Kristin Brooke Linscott	University of Kentucky College of Medicine	USMLE
63. John Warnard Locke	University of Louisville School of Medicine	USMLE
64. Jonathan Luchs	Sackler School of Medicine, Tel Aviv University	USMLE/NY
65. Jeffrey Freeman Lull	Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX
66. Patrick Jay Lynn	University of Florida College of Medicine	USMLE/GA
67. Daniel John McAndrews	Ross University	USMLE
68. Amy Michelle Meister	West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX/VA
69. Rusella Mirza	Rajshahi Medical College	USMLE
70. Teri Nelson Moak	University of Arkansas College of Medicine	USMLE
71. Dunya Hamad Amin Mohammad	Hawler Medical University School of Medicine	USMLE/MI
72. Anna-Marieta Moise	Augusta University School of Medicine	USMLE/GA
73. Cara Grace Moses	University of North Carolina School at Chapel Hill SOM	USMLE
74. Pasha Mostofi	University of Alabama School of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
75. Smitha Mruthyunjayappa	Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore	USMLE
76. John Rhodes Murfee	East Tennessee State University James H Quillen COM	USMLE
77. Audrey Marie Murphy	University of South Alabama College of Medicine	USMLE
78. Robert Joseph Murray	Pikeville College of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX/GA
79. Christopher C Musselwhite	University of South Alabama College of Medicine	USMLE
80. Anna Klara Mydlowska	Jagiellonian University Medical College	USMLE
81. Audrey Rosa Nath	University of Texas - Houston Medical School	USMLE/MA
82. Andrew Christopher Nutting	Lincoln Memorial U Debusk College of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX
83. Mazen Bassam Omar	University of South Alabama College of Medicine	USMLE
84. Sana Ozair	University of South Alabama College of Medicine	USMLE
85. Hali Nicole Pearce	Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine	COMLEX/NV
86. Eliana Melissa Perez Garcia	Universidad de Los Andes	USMLE/PA
87. George Byron Peters	University of Vermont College of Medicine	USMLE/NY
88. Sajal Sharma Pokharel	University of Colorado School of Medicine	USMLE/CO
89. Myles David Prados	Louisiana State University School of Medicine New Orleans	USMLE
90. David Zhang Qi	Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine	USMLE/GA
91. Amie Louise Rose	Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine	USMLE
92. William Madison Ross	University of Mississippi School of Medicine	USMLE
93. Ryan Charles Ross	Ross University	USMLE/IN
94. Alexander David Roszman	University of Toledo College of Medicine	USMLE
95. Courtney B Royal	University of Rochester School of Medicine	USMLE
96. Juan Carlos Salgado Ramirez	Centro De Estudios Univ Xochicalco - Campus Ensenada	USMLE/FL
97. Amelia Quinn Schuyler	University of Alabama School of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
98. Jeffrey Zhan Shen	University of Alabama School of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
99. Luke Austin Ross Shumaker	Indiana University School of Medicine Indianapolis	USMLE
100. Crystal Hewitt Skinner	University of Alabama School of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
101. Eric Jay Sodico	Lewis Katz School of Medicine at Temple University	USMLE/PA

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105. Eduardo Travieso Alvarez	Instituto Superior De Ciencias Medicas De La Havana	USMLE/FL
106. Ivan von Hack-Prestinary	Ross University	USMLE
107. Sophie Wang	Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine	USMLE
108. Eric Joseph Wannamaker	University of Colorado School of Medicine	USMLE/CO
109. Jacob VanZandt Weber	Oregon Health & Science University School of Medicine	USMLE
110. Christine Lynn White	University of Alabama School of Medicine Birmingham	USMLE
111. Milton Williams	Emory University School of Medicine	USMLE
112. Anastasiya Yakovenko	University of Florida College of Medicine	USMLE
113. Seble Shibabaw Chekol	U of North Carolina School of Chapel Hill SOM	USMLE/PA
114. Christopher Keith Dougherty	Lake Erie Col of Osteo Med U of N TX Hlth Sci Center	COMLEX/TX
115. Timothy Alexander Edgil	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE
116. David Michaeli	Mercer University School of Medicine	USMLE
117. Kevin Corr Wall	Duke University School of Medicine	USMLE
118. *Vanessa Sui	UASOM Birmingham	USMLE
119. Yoel Prince	Instituto Superior De Ciencias Medicas De La Havana	USMLE/FL
120. *Mohammed Rigi	Universiteit va Amsterdam	USMLE

*\*Approved pending acceptance and payment of an NDC issued by the BME.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Alsip with a second by Commissioner Morris to approve applicant's number one through one hundred and twenty (1-120) for full licensure. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

#### SPECIAL PURPOSE LICENSE APPLICANTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>SP Type of Practice</u>	<u>State</u>
1. Shira Hope Rubinstein	Private Practice - Tele- Psychiatry	Maryland
2. Elisa Shipon-Blum	Smart Center Selective Mutism Anxiety Disorder	Pennsylvania

A motion was made by Commissioner Alsip with a second by Commissioner Christopher to approve the special purpose applicants listed above. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

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IMLCC Report      The Commission received as information a report of the physicians that were licensed via the IMLC for November 1, 2020 through November 30, 2020. A copy of such report is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

### **CURRENT BUSINESS**

None

### **REPORTS**

Physician Monitoring Reports      The Commission received as information a physician monitoring report dated December 16, 2020.

Karen Stacy Gardner Moore, M.D.      A motion was made by Commissioner Nagrodzki with a second by Commissioner Morris to enter an order setting a compliance hearing to address Dr. Moore's non-compliance with her payment plan as directed in the Commission's order dated November 5, 2020. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote. A copy of such Order is attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

### **APPLICANTS**

Saul Weinrib, M.D.      A motion was made by Commissioner Alsip with a second by Commissioner Morris to approve Dr. Weinrib's application for licensure. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

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## **REQUESTS**

Honey Mae Getubig, M.D. A motion was made by Commissioner Alsip with a second by Commissioner Hill to enter an order deferring the due date for Dr. Getubig's administrative fine until December 31, 2022. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote. A copy of such order is attached hereto as Exhibit "C".

Iqbal Inder Singh, M.D. A hearing was set for January 27, 2021 on Dr. Singh's appeal of the Board's denial to reinstate his certificate of qualification.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Smith requested a motion to enter into executive session to discuss the general reputation and character, physical condition, professional competence, or mental health of an individual and to hear, deliberate and discuss evidence presented during any contested case hearings. A motion was made by Commissioner Morris with a second by Commissioner Christopher to enter into executive session. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote. Chairman Smith announced that the Alabama Medical Licensure Commission would reconvene in a public session at approximately 2:00 p.m. The Commission entered into executive session at 10:15 a.m.

Following the executive session, Commission Chairman, George C. Smith, Sr., M.D. reconvened the public meeting of the Alabama Medical Licensure Commission. The Commission reconvened in public session at 6:13 p.m.





## HEARINGS

Kathleen A. Cullen, M.D. A motion was made by Commissioner Alsip with a second by Commissioner Christopher to reconvene Dr. Cullen's hearing on January 27, 2021. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote. A copy of such hearing order is attached hereto as "Exhibit D".

Jeffrey Coykendall, M.D. The Commission received as information an order approved by Chairman Smith which continues Dr. Coykendall's licensure hearing until January 27, 2021.

Aaron A. Hernandez Ramirez, M.D. The Commission received as information an order approved by Chairman Smith which continues Dr. Ramirez' licensure hearing until January 27, 2021.

Leah Torres, M.D. A motion was made by Commissioner Christopher with a second by Commissioner Nagrodzki to issue an order affirming the Board's decision to deny Dr. Torres certificate of qualification. A roll call vote was taken with the Commissioners voting as follows: Christopher - yes, Nagrodzki -yes, Walburn - yes, Morris - no, Varner - no, Hill- no, Smith - no. The motion failed by a three to four vote. A second motion was made by Commissioner Morris with a second by Commissioner Christopher to enter an order in this case. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote. A copy of such order is attached hereto as Exhibit "E". Commissioner Alsip recused himself from all discussion, deliberation and disposition in this case and was not present during the hearing.

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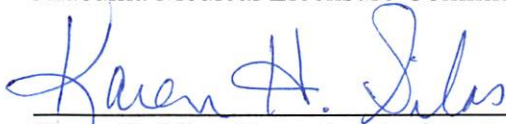
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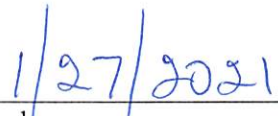
Paul D. Roller, M.D. A motion was made by Commissioner Morris with a second by Commissioner Walburn to grant the Joint Motion To Continue filed by the parties in this case. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote. The hearing was rescheduled for March 24, 2021.

Emergency License Rule 545-X-2-.09- Amendment A motion was made by Commissioner Alsip with a second by Commissioner Christopher to amend for emergency filing Rule 545-X-2-.09 as requested by the Board. The motion was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

**PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE:** Chairman Smith announced the next meeting of the Alabama Medical Licensure Commission for Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. A motion was made by Commissioner Christopher with a second by Commissioner Morris to adjourn the meeting. The motion was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.  
Meeting Adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

  
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GEORGE C. SMITH, SR., M.D., Chairman  
Alabama Medical Licensure Commission

  
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Karen H. Silas, Executive Assistant,  
Recording Secretary

  
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Date Signed

  
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## IMLCC LICENSE ISSUED NOVEMBER 1, 2020 - NOVEMBER 30, 2020 (11)

Name	License Type	License No	Status	Issue Date	Expiration Date	State of Principle Licensure
Stuart Alan Stein	MD	41676	Active	11/5/2020	12/31/2020	Arizona
Anne Savarese DePasquale	MD	41717	Active	11/30/2020	12/31/2021	Illinois
Anuj Bhatnagar	MD	41678	Active	11/9/2020	12/31/2020	Maryland
Nicolas Leigh Cuttriss	MD	41693	Active	11/19/2020	12/31/2020	Maryland
Rita Deatrea Beckford	MD	41690	Active	11/17/2020	12/31/2021	Michigan
Anshul Gaurang Haldipur	MD	41691	Active	11/18/2020	12/31/2020	Michigan
Rehmat Ullah Awan	MD	41681	Active	11/10/2020	12/31/2021	Mississippi
Rebecca Jimenez-Sanders	MD	41692	Active	11/18/2020	12/31/2021	New Hampshire
Sally Hae-Ryun Sartin	MD	41672	Active	11/4/2020	12/31/2020	Washington
Rafid Abdul Hamid Fadul	MD	41709	Active	11/24/2020	12/31/2020	Washington
Brian David Novinska	MD	41719	Active	11/30/2020	12/31/2021	Wisconsin

BEFORE THE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMMISSION  
OF ALABAMAALABAMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL )  
EXAMINERS, )

Complainant, )

vs. )

KAREN GARDNER MOORE, M.D. )

Respondent. )  
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Case No. 2019-190

## ORDER

The Commission is informed that Karen Gardner Moore, M.D. has paid the fines associated with this case in full. The Commission finds that such payment renders moot the probation compliance hearing previously set. It is, therefore, ORDERED that the Commission's prior Order setting a probation compliance hearing for January 27, 2021 be and is hereby withdrawn, and the said hearing cancelled.

Done this 15th day of January, 2021.



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GEORGE C. SMITH, SR., M.D.  
Chairman, Medical Licensure Commission  
of Alabama



**BEFORE THE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMMISSION  
OF ALABAMA**

ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL )  
EXAMINERS, )

Complainant, )

**Case No. 2020-223**

vs. )

HONEY MAE GETUBIG, M.D., )

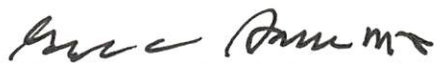
Respondent. )

**ORDER**

This cause comes before the Medical Licensure Commission of Alabama on Motion to Reconsider submitted by the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners. Staff for the Medical Licensure Commission having communicated with representatives of Dr. Getubig are informed that Dr. Getubig has been unable to produce certificates to support her compliance with the annual continuing medical education requirements for 2017 and 2018.

It is, therefore, ORDERED that the Motion to Reconsider is and shall be treated as a motion to amend the Consent Order previously entered in this case, and that the motion shall be and is hereby granted as follows: Section two (2) of the Consent Order entered in this case on October 29, 2020 is hereby amended such that no payment on the two thousand dollar (\$2,000) administrative fine ordered shall be considered due until 2022 and that such fine shall be paid in full on or before December 31, 2022.

Done this 16 day of June, 2021.

  
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GEORGE C. SMITH, SR., M.D., Chairman  
Alabama Medical Licensure Commission

BEFORE THE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMMISSION  
OF ALABAMAALABAMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL )  
EXAMINERS, )

Complainant, )

Case No. 2020-145

vs. )

KATHLEEN A. CULLEN, M.D., )

Respondent. )  
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## ORDER

A hearing in the above case was held on November 23, 2020. Dr. Cullen did not appear for said hearing and did not give testimony or submit any evidence. The Medical Licensure Committee has determined that it would like to hear from Dr. Cullen in her defense prior to issuing an order in this case.

It is, therefore, ORDERED, that the hearing previously held be continued and recommenced on January 27, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the offices of the Medical Licensure Commission of Alabama, 848 Washington Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama for the purpose of allowing further testimony and evidence. Any party wishing to appear by video technology shall contact the Commission office for direction.

Done this 4th day of January, 2021.



GEORGE C. SMITH, SR., M.D.  
Chairman, Medical Licensure Commission  
of Alabama

**BEFORE THE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMMISSION  
OF ALABAMA**

ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS,	)	
	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	<b>Case No. 2020-244</b>
vs.	)	<b>2020-207</b>
	)	
LEAH N. TORRES, M.D.	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	
	)	

**ORDER**

These matters, having been previously consolidated for hearing, came before the Medical Licensure Commission of Alabama for hearing on December 21, 2020. The Administrative Complaint filed in case number 2020-207 having been rendered moot by the expiration of the temporary license previously issued to Dr. Torres, it is hereby ordered, that the Administrative Complaint numbered 2020-207 be and is hereby DISMISSED by stipulation of the parties.

A hearing was held on December 21, 2020 on the appeal from the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners of the denial of an initial COQ applied for by Dr. Torres in case number 2020-244. Dr. Torres, along with counsel, appeared for the hearing, gave testimony, and submitted evidentiary material. The Board of Medical Examiners was represented by Mr. Wilson Hunter and his staff and submitted testimony and evidentiary material.

Regarding the claim of unprofessional conduct, the Commission found insufficient evidence that Dr. Torres's statements violated the high standard of ethical integrity or were shameful or immoral in that she was only describing a procedure that is legal in Alabama. Regarding the claim that Dr. Torres was deceptive in applying for a Temporary Emergency License when she did not



directly care for COVID-19 patients, the evidence received demonstrated that, at the time Dr. Torres applied, the language in the required affirmation was ambiguous and has since been clarified. Dr. Torres did, however, state in her application that she expected to be employed by "West Alabama Women's Center." It seems evident that this is a medical facility that does not provide direct care to COVID-19 patients. Further, the Commission notes that Dr. Torres's intent regarding the affirmation made by her in conjunction with her application for a temporary emergency license was not made a basis of the COQ denial by the board and is, therefore, outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to consider, except to the extent offered for impeachment.

Regarding the claims that Dr. Torres was untruthful in multiple answers on the application form, although the Commission found no overwhelming evidence to agree with the BME's denial of a COQ in an otherwise competent and qualified applicant, there were elements in some of Dr. Torres's answers in her application which, in their totality, were suggestive of deceptive answers and a lack of ethical integrity expected of practicing physicians in Alabama. Thus, the Commission directs that Dr. Torres must attend an ethics course. The Commission further notes that it lacks jurisdiction to consider evidence submitted at the hearing relative to whether and to what extent Dr. Torres practiced medicine after her temporary suspension of license in 2020, except to the extent offered as impeachment.

Based upon the evidence and testimony submitted at the hearing, the Commission hereby ORDERS and directs that the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners shall issue a certificate of qualification to practice medicine in the state of Alabama to Leah N. Torres, M.D. upon the completion of the following:

- 1) The successful completion by Dr. Torres of an ethics course to be approved by the Board; and

2) The issuance and payment of a non-disciplinary citation and administrative fine to Dr. Torres in an amount to be determined by the Board.

Done this 29th day of December, 2020.



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GEORGE C. SMITH, SR., M.D.  
Chairman, Medical Licensure Commission  
of Alabama