

**MINUTES  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE  
JANUARY 20, 2022**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

David W. McClendon, Jr., M.D., Ocean Springs, President  
Michelle Y. Owens, M.D., Jackson, Vice President  
C. Kenneth Lippincott, M.D., Tupelo, Secretary

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Stan T. Ingram, Counsel for the Board  
Paul Barnes, Board Attorney  
Alexis Morris, Special Assistant Attorney General  
Kenneth Cleveland, Executive Director  
Mike Lucius, Deputy Director  
Jay Ledbetter, Chief of Staff  
Anna Boone, Director of Licensure Division  
Kristin Wallace, Compliance Officer  
Jonathan Dalton, Director of Investigations  
Arlene Davis, IT Director  
Frances Carrillo, Staff Officer

The Executive Committee of the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure met on Thursday, January 20, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room of the Office of the Board located at 1867 Crane Ridge Drive, Jackson, Mississippi. This meeting was broadcast via Zoom.

Dr. McClendon opened the meeting and introduced the Executive Committee and attendees that were present.

**PERSONAL APPEARANCE (VIA ZOOM) BY SUNIL PARASHAR, M.D.  
MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE 29122**

Dr. Parashar joined the meeting and was not represented by legal counsel. Dr. Parashar executed a written agreement for this informal meeting, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

Dr. Parashar briefly summarized his practice which is associated with Lynk Health Care to provide behavioral health services for nursing homes or similar settings in geriatric care. Dr Parashar is a psychiatrist located in Flint, Michigan and is proposing to work with a nurse practitioner in Flowood, Mississippi using telemedicine software.

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Dr. Parashar is seeking an exception to Rule 1.2 of Part 2630 of the regulations regarding the Collaboration with Nurse Practitioners, specifically the definition in paragraph A. "Physician" means any person licensed to practice medicine or osteopathic medicine in the state of Mississippi who holds an unrestricted license, whose practice or prescriptive authority is not limited as a result of voluntary surrender or legal/regulatory order, and who practices within the state of Mississippi for a minimum of twenty (20) hours per week or eighty (80) hours per month (does not include telemedicine or chart review). Exceptions to the in-state practice requirement may be granted by the Board, by and through the Executive Committee, in cases demonstrating good cause.

Additionally, temporary permission may be granted by the Executive Director until the request can be heard before the Executive Committee.

After discussion and questions from the Executive Committee, a motion was made by Dr. Owens, seconded by Dr. Lippincott and carried to recommend to the Board to grant Dr. Parashar's request for an exception.

**PERSONAL APPEARANCE (VIA ZOOM) BY HENA ZAKI, D.O.**  
**MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL LICENSE 25194**

Dr. Zaki joined the meeting and was not represented by legal counsel. Dr. Zaki executed a written agreement for this informal meeting, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

Dr. Zaki briefly summarized her practice which is associated with Catapult Health based in Dallas, Texas. Dr. Zaki proposes to provide biometric screenings of patients remotely contracting with companies and corporations located in Mississippi utilizing nurse practitioners.

Mr. Lee Dukes addressed the Board and introduced himself as the Vice President of clinical outcomes with Catapult Health and advised he is responsible for the maintenance of the clinical guidelines and protocols for this practice. He provided additional information regarding the process and operation of this practice model.

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### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Dr. Cleveland provided a brief summary regarding events and activities for the months of November and December 2021.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on Thursday, January 20, 2022, at 9:28 am.



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**David W. McClendon, Jr., M.D.**  
**President**

**Minutes taken and transcribed.**  
**By Frances Carrillo**  
**Staff Officer**  
**January 20, 2022**



**MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE**

**Agreement to Appear Informally Before Executive Committee  
by Current Licensee**

I, **Sunil Parashar, M.D.** have been asked to appear informally before the Executive Committee of the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure (hereinafter "Board") to discuss issues which may relate to my practice and possible the grounds, if any, for disciplinary action, and possible resolution of the same. It is the purpose of the informal meeting to discuss the facts of the case, to give me an opportunity to ask questions of the Committee or its staff, and to give the Committee or its staff an opportunity to ask questions of me. Because the meeting is informal, no disciplinary action will be taken without my express written consent. In so doing, I have been advised and understand the following:

1. During the meeting, the Executive Committee may or may not be represented by legal counsel. Notwithstanding, I understand that I have a right, if I so choose, to employ legal counsel and have counsel present during the informal meeting.
2. I authorize the Committee Members to review and examine any statements, documentary evidence, or materials concerning the possible grounds for disciplinary action against my license.
3. Because the purpose of my appearance is to avoid a hearing before the Board, I agree that presentation to and consideration by the Committee of any facts, matters, and documents pertaining to my case shall not unfairly or illegally prejudice the Committee members from further participation or consideration in the event a formal hearing is later conducted. Stated differently, in the event the pending matter is not resolved following my appearance before the Committee, I will not object to any of the Committee members from further participating in subsequent meetings or hearings that may be conducted in relation to this matter.
4. By signing my name in the space provided below, I hereby authorize the Executive Committee to proceed with the informal appearance, subject to the stipulations and understandings as noted above. I have elected to proceed:

\_\_\_\_\_ with legal counsel present (name of counsel: \_\_\_\_\_)

\_\_\_\_\_ without legal counsel present

**EXECUTED**, this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022.

Licensee: \_\_\_\_\_ 

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_



**MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE**  
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**by Current Licensee**

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Witness: Joni Akers