

**OPEN MINUTES - N.J. STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS - PG. 1**  
**DISCIPLINARY MATTERS PENDING CONCLUSION - FEBRUARY 8, 2012**

A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners was held on Wednesday, February 8, 2012 at the Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, 25 Market Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Center, Trenton, New Jersey for Disciplinary Matters Pending Conclusion, open to the public. The meeting was called to order by Paul Jordan M.D., Board President.

**PRESENT**

Board Members Berkowitz, Ciechanowski, Criss, DeGregorio, Howard, Jordan, Krauss, Lomazow, Maffei, Rajput, Rock, Scott, Stanley, Tedeschi and Walsh.

**EXCUSED**

Board Members Baker, Cheema, Mendelowitz, Paul and Weiss.

**ALSO PRESENT**

Deputy Attorney's General Dick, Ehrenkrantz, Flanzman, Puteska, Ringler and Warhaftig;  
Executive Director William V. Roeder

**RATIFICATION OF MINUTES**

**THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO  
APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 11, 2012 BOARD MEETING  
WITH AMENDMENTS .**

**HEARINGS, PLEAS AND APPEARANCES**

**Nothing Scheduled.**

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**OFF AGENDA**

**WASSERMAN, Alan G. M.D. 25MA03065200**  
**Joseph M. Gorrell, Esq. For the Respondent**  
**SDAG Joan Gelber, Prosecuting**  
**DAG Steven Flanzman, Counseling**

Drs. Berkowitz and Lomazow were recused and left the table.

Counsel for Dr. Wasserman wrote to the Board, just the day before this meeting, requesting a stay of the Board's Final Order filed on October 18, 2010. He sought a 1-month delay in implementation of the Order even after a three-judge panel of the Appellate Division vacated its former stay and on February 1, 2012 affirmed the Board's Final Order in its entirety. Executive Director Roeder read DAG Gelber's response which argued that in light of the significant and longstanding misconduct which the ALJ and the Board found Dr. Wasserman guilty, and the specific order vacating its prior stay of the Board's Order and the panel's affirmation of the Board's Decision, she respectfully urged the Board to allow no later than February 17, 2012 for Dr. Wasserman to turn in his license. The Board proceeded to discuss the matter and sought advice of counsel.

Prior to going into Closed Session, however, the Board took a moment to swear in the two new Board members, Drs. Rock and Maffei. Following that action;

**THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR ADVICE OF COUNSEL AND DELIBERATIONS.**

The Decision to move into closed session was unanimous.

All parties (including Drs. Berkowitz and Lomazow), except counseling and administrative staff, left the room.

Returning to Open Session the Board announced the following:

**THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO DENY RESPONDENT'S REQUEST AND THE BOARD ORDERED DR. WASSERMAN TO SURRENDER HIS LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY NO LATER THAN CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2012.**

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The Motion was made by Dr. Rajput and seconded by Dr. Krauss. The motion carried with one vote against from Ms. DeGegorio. Drs. Berkowitz and Lomazow were recused and did not participate in any discussions or vote in the matter.

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**OFF-AGENDA - Cont'd**

**I/M/O SANTANGELO, Frank J. M.D. 25MA06932600**  
**DAG Bindi Merchant, Prosecuting**

**THE BOARD ORDERED AND DOCTOR SANTANGELO AGREED TO THE VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF HIS LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY. HIS SURRENDER IS TO BE DEEMED AN INDEFINITE SUSPENSION PENDING DEMONSTRATION OF FITNESS TO PRACTICE AND FURTHER ORDER OF THE BOARD. THE EFFECTIVE DATE WAS FEBRUARY 6, 2012.**

The Motion was made by Mr. Walsh and seconded by Dr. Ciechanowski and the vote was unanimous.

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**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

Nothing Scheduled.

**V. New Business**

Nothing Scheduled

Respectfully Submitted,

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Paul T. Jordan, M.D.  
Board President

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