

**CONNECTICUT STATE DENTAL COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
April 28, 2021**

The Connecticut State Dental Commission held a meeting by video conference on April 28, 2021.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Peter Katz, DMD, Chairman
Sarita Arteaga, DMD
Monica Cipes, DMD
Deborah Dodenhoff, RN
Mark Longobardi, DMD
Anatoliy Ravin, DDS
Steven Reiss, DDS
Barbara Ulrich

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Dr. Katz called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. All participants were present via the Microsoft TEAMS application.

I. MINUTES

The minutes from the January 14, 2021 meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved on a motion by Dr. Reiss seconded by Ms. Ulrich.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Provisional License Application – Reju P. Joy, DDS

Judith Bailey, License and Applications Analyst, Department of Public Health presented a provisional license application for Reju P. Joy, DDS. to allow for practice at the University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine.

Steven Lepowsky, DDS, Dean, University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine addressed the Commission in support of Dr. Joy's application

Dr. Reiss made a motion, seconded by Dr. Longobardi, recommending approval the Dr. Joy's application license reinstatement without the need for any specific requirements to be completed . The motion passed with all in favor except Ms. Dodenhoff who was opposed.

B. Respondent Motion for Hearing - Anthony Colandrea, DMD - Petition No. 2014-811

The Commission reviewed granted respondent's motion for a hearing regarding a claim of an ex-parte communication between Commission member Deborah Dodenhoff, RN and Department of Public Health Staff Attorney David Tilles.

A hearing commenced with Assistant Attorney General Kerry Colson was present to provide counsel to the Board. Staff Attorney Brittany Petano was present for the Department of Public Health. Attorney A. Paul Spinella was present on behalf of respondent.

Dr Katz, Dodenhoff, Dr, Reiss and Dr, Ravin were questioned during the hearing.

Ms. Dodenhoff left the meeting at 2:18 p.m.

C. Oral Argument Proposed Memorandum of Decision
Anthony Colandrea, DMD - Petition No. 2014-811

Assistant Attorney General Kerry Colson was present to provide counsel to the Board. Staff Attorney Brittany Petano was present for the Department of Public Health. Attorney A. Paul Spinella was present on behalf of respondent.

Attorney Spinella and Attorney Tilles were provided the opportunity to address the Commission regarding the Proposed Memorandum of Decision.

Dr. Katz made a motion, seconded by Dr. Reiss, to adopt the decision which revokes the dental license of Dr. Colandrea and imposes a civil penalty of \$10,000.00. The motion passed with all in favor except Dr. Longobardi who was opposed and Dr. Cipes who abstained. Ms. Dodenhoff was recused and was not present for this vote.

III. ADJOURN

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Katz, DMD - Chairman
Connecticut State Dental Commission