

Minutes

A contested case hearing was held remotely via Microsoft Teams on Wednesday, August 28, 2024, before a panel of the Connecticut State Dental Commission, consisting of: Dr. Peter Katz; Dr. Mark Longobardi; and Craig Fontaine in the matter of:

Dennis Flanagan, DDS, Petition No. 2020-692.

The proceedings were digitally recorded.

Respondent appeared. Attorney Mary Alice Moore Leonhardt appeared representing Respondent.

Staff Attorney Joelle Newton appeared on behalf of the Department.

The hearing convened at 1:05 p.m.

Assistant Attorney General Tanya DeMattia was present to advise the Board Panel.

At 1:39 p.m., Dr. Peter Katz moved to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing and discussing confidential medical information. The motion was unanimously approved. The Board Panel returned to public session at 2:16 p.m. No motions were made, and no votes were taken during Executive Session. The following individuals attended the executive session: all members of the Board Panel, Assistant Attorney General Tanya DeMattia, AAG Legal Assistant Francesca Testa, Board Liaison Betty J. Rozario, Respondent Dennis Flanagan, Respondent's Attorney Mary Alice Moore Leonhardt, Department Attorney Joelle Newton, and the court reporter.

At 2:16 p.m. Executive Session ended.

At 2:44 p.m., Dr. Peter Katz moved to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of reviewing and discussing confidential medical information. The motion was unanimously approved. The Board Panel returned to public session at 2:54 p.m. No motions were made, and no votes were taken during Executive Session. The following individuals attended the executive session: all members of the Board Panel, Assistant Attorney General Tanya DeMattia, AAG Legal Assistant Francesca Testa, Board Liaison Betty J. Rozario, Respondent Dennis Flanagan, Respondent's Attorney Mary Alice Moore Leonhardt, Department Attorney Joelle Newton, and the court reporter.

At 2:54 p.m. Executive Session ended.

Respondent's counsel, Attorney Mary Alice Moore Leonhardt moved to have the statement of charges dismissed in its entirety in lieu of issuing a decision through fact-finding. The Panel denied the request unanimously.

Following the closing of the hearing, the Panel conducted fact-finding. Craig Fontaine made a motion, seconded by Dr. Peter Katz, that the Department has not proven its case as to the allegations outlined in paragraph 2 of the Statement of Charges. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Peter Katz, seconded by Dr. Mark Longobardi. The hearing adjourned at 4:14 p.m.