

FINAL APPROVED

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

Wednesday, November 15, 2006 Department of Health Professions Richmond, Virginia

- CALL TO ORDER:** A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 10:35 a.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sandra A. Bell, M.D., Chair
Gopinath Jadhav, M.D.
Ellen Shapiro, D.P.M.
- STAFF PRESENT:** Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline
Julia K. Bennett, Adjudication Specialist
Reneè S. Dixon, Discipline Case Manager
- MATTER SCHEDULED:** **Mugabala B. Aswath, M.D.** **License No.: 0101-058334**
Case No.: 106111
- DISCUSSION:** Dr. Aswath appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated September 22, 2006. Dr. Aswath was represented by Stephen Rosenthal, Esquire. The Committee fully discussed Dr. Aswath's petition for reinstatement of his license.
- CLOSED SESSION:** Upon a motion by Dr. Jadhav, and duly seconded by Dr. Shapiro, the Committee voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711.A(28) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Dr. Aswath. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Dixon attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Board in its deliberations.
- RECONVENE:** Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee re-convened in open session and announced its decision.
- DECISION:** Upon a motion by Dr. Jadhav, and duly seconded by Dr. Shapiro the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and voted to grant Dr. Aswath's petition for reinstatement and

place his license on indefinite probation with certain terms and conditions

VOTE: The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: The Committee adjourned at 12:44 p.m.

As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Dr. Aswath, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Dr. Aswath, within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail three (3) additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of the Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.

/s/ _____
Sandra A. Bell, M.D., Chair

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William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

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