

APPROVED

VIRGINIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY

**MINUTES
SPECIAL SESSION**

- CALL TO ORDER:** Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2408.1(A), the Board of Dentistry convened by telephone conference call on October 2, 2024 at 5:15 p.m., to consider possible summary suspensions in case numbers 222445, 225344, and 229224.
- PRESIDING:** Sultan E. Chaudhry, D.D.S., President
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sidra Butt, D.D.S.
Jamiah Dawson, D.D.S.
Surya Dhakar, D.D.S.
Alf Hendricksen, D.D.S.
Margaret F. Lemaster, R.D.H.
J. Michael Martinez de Andino, J.D.
Emelia H. McLennan, R.D.H.
Jennifer Szakaly, D.D.S.
- MEMBERS ABSENT:** William C. Bigelow, D.D.S.
- POLLING OF BOARD MEMBERS:** The Board members were polled prior to scheduling the telephone conference call as to whether they could attend the meeting in Richmond.
- QUORUM:** With nine members present, a quorum was established.
- STAFF PRESENT:** Jamie C. Sacksteder, Executive Director
Erin T. Weaver, Deputy Executive Director
Ashley Epperly, D.D.S., Dental Review Coordinator
Donna M. Lee, Discipline Case Manager
- OTHERS PRESENT:** James Rutkowski, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel
Sean Murphy, Senior Assistant Attorney General
Rebecca Smith, Senior Adjudication Specialist
- Shahrzad Salartash, D.D.S.
Case Nos.: 222445, 225344** The Board received information from Mr. Murphy to determine if Dr. Salartash's practice of dentistry constituted a substantial danger to public health or safety. Mr. Murphy reviewed the cases and responded to questions.
- CLOSED MEETING:** Dr. Hendricksen moved that the Board convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Shahrzad Salartash. Additionally, Dr. Hendricksen moved that Ms. Sacksteder, Ms. Weaver, Dr. Epperly, Ms. Lee, and Mr. Rutkowski attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and their presence would aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed.

During closed session, Ms. Lemaster was disconnected from the call. With eight Board members participating in the call, a quorum was still established.

RECONVENE: Dr. Hendricksen moved that the Board certify that it heard, discussed, or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and passed.

DECISION: Dr. Szakaly moved that the Board summarily suspend Dr. Salartash's license to practice dentistry in the Commonwealth of Virginia in that her practice of dentistry constituted a substantial danger to public health and safety; and schedule a formal hearing. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Craig A. Zunka, D.D.S.
Case No.: 229224

PRESIDING: Sultan E. Chaudhry, D.D.S., President

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sidra Butt, D.D.S.
Jamiah Dawson, D.D.S.
Surya Dhakar, D.D.S.
Alf Hendricksen, D.D.S.
J. Michael Martinez de Andino, J.D.
Emelia H. McLennan, R.D.H.
Jennifer Szakaly, D.D.S.

MEMBERS ABSENT: William C. Bigelow, D.D.S.
Margaret F. Lemaster, R.D.H.

QUORUM: With eight members present, a quorum was established.

STAFF PRESENT: Jamie C. Sacksteder, Executive Director
Erin T. Weaver, Deputy Executive Director
Ashley Epperly, D.D.S., Dental Review Coordinator
Donna M. Lee, Discipline Case Manager

OTHERS PRESENT: James E. Rutkowski, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel
Sean Murphy, Assistant Attorney General
Rebecca Smith, Senior Adjudication Specialist

The Board received information from Mr. Murphy to determine if Dr. Zunka's practice of dentistry constituted a substantial danger to public health or safety. Mr. Murphy reviewed the case and responded to questions.

Closed Meeting: Dr. Hendricksen moved that the Board convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Craig A. Zunka. Additionally, Dr. Hendricksen moved that Ms. Sacksteder, Ms. Weaver, Dr. Epperly, Ms. Lee, and Mr. Rutkowski attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary.

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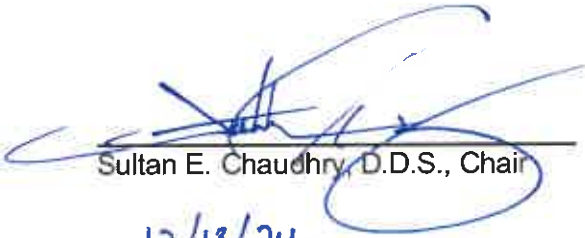
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DECISION:

Mr. Martinez moved that the Board summarily suspend Dr. Zunka's license to practice dentistry in the Commonwealth of Virginia in that his practice of dentistry constituted a substantial danger to public health and safety; and schedule a formal hearing. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

With all business concluded, the Board adjourned at 6:08 p.m.


Sultan E. Chaudhry, D.D.S., Chair
12/13/24
Date


Jamie C. Sacksteder, Executive Director
12/13/24
Date