

**APPROVED**  
**VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE**  
**SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MINUTES JULY 18, 2024**

*Department of Health Professions*  
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*9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201*  
*Henrico, VA*

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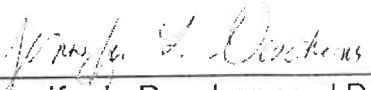
- CALL TO ORDER:** A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 9:04 a.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** L. Blanton Marchese, Chair  
Patrick McManus, M.D.  
Pradeep Pradhan, M.D.
- STAFF PRESENT:** Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline  
Tamika Hines, Case Manager, Discipline  
Scott Pearl, Adjudication Specialist
- MATTER:** **Hitesh Pravin Amin, M.D.**  
**Case No.: 221336**
- DISCUSSION:** Dr. Amin appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with an Amended Notice of the Board dated May 22, 2024. Dr. Amin was represented by Nora Ciancio, Esquire.
- The Committee fully discussed the allegations in the Notice with Dr. Amin.
- CLOSED SESSION:** Upon a motion by Dr. McManus, and duly seconded by Dr. Pradhan, the Committee voted to 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 Dr. Amin. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Hines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee 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. Pradhan, and duly seconded by Dr. McManus, the Committee made certain findings of fact and conclusions of law and voted to approve Dr. Amin's application for licensure.

**VOTE:** The vote was unanimous.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Committee adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

*As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Dr. Amin, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Dr. Amin, 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.*

  
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Jennifer L. Deschenes, J.D., M.S.  
Deputy Executive Director

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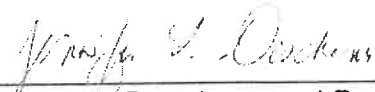
- CALL TO ORDER:** A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 11:06 a.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Patrick McManus, M.D., Chair  
Pradeep Pradhan, M.D.  
L. Blanton Marchese
- STAFF PRESENT:** Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline  
Tamika Hines, Case Manager, Discipline  
Michael Parsons, Adjudication Consultant
- MATTER:** **Ehteshamul Haque, M.D.** License No.: 0101-231617  
Case No.: 233776
- DISCUSSION:** Dr. Haque appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated May 23, 2024. Dr. Haque was not represented by counsel.
- The Committee fully reviewed Dr. Haque's petition for reinstatement and discussed the allegations in the Notice with Dr. Haque.
- CLOSED SESSION:** Upon a motion by Mr. Marchese, and duly seconded by Dr. Pradhan, the Committee voted to 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 Dr. Haque. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Hines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee 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 Mr. Marchese, and duly seconded by Dr. Pradhan, the Committee made certain findings of fact and conclusions of law and voted to deny reinstatement of Dr. Haque's license.

**VOTE:** The vote was unanimous.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Committee adjourned at 12:09 p.m.

*As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Dr. Haque, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Dr. Haque, 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.*



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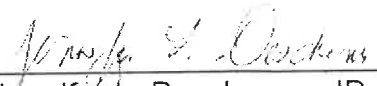
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- CALL TO ORDER:** A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 12:33 p.m.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Pradeep Pradhan, M.D., Chair  
Patrick McManus, M.D.  
L. Blanton Marchese
- STAFF PRESENT:** Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline  
Tamika Hines, Case Manager, Discipline  
Michael Parsons, Adjudication Consultant
- MATTER:** **Zhe Lin, D.O.** **License No.: 0102-207370**  
**Case No.: 234854**
- PRELIMINARY MATTER:** The Chair noted that the time was 12:35 p.m. and Dr. Lin was noticed to appear before the Committee at 11:00 a.m. and was not present.
- Mr. Parsons advised that the Notice had been sent to Dr. Lin's address of record with the Board by overnight and First class mail.
- RULING:** Based on the information provided by Mr. Parsons, the Chair determined that proper notice had been provided to Dr. Lin, therefore, the informal conference would proceed in his absence.
- DISCUSSION:** Dr. Lin did not appear before the Committee in accordance with the Board's Notice of Informal Conference dated May 23, 2024, nor was he represented at the conference by legal counsel.
- The Committee fully considered the evidence before it and received information from Mr. Parsons regarding the allegations in the Notice.

- CLOSED SESSION:** Upon a motion by Mr. Marchese, and duly seconded by Dr. McManus, the Committee voted to 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 Dr. Lin. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Hines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee 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 Mr. Marchese, and duly seconded by Dr. McManus, the Committee voted to refer this matter to a formal hearing which will be held pursuant to § 2.2-4020 and § 2.2-4021.
- VOTE:** The vote was unanimous.
- ADJOURNMENT:** The Committee adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

*A formal hearing will be scheduled for a future date for a final determination.*

  
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