

**Medical Licensing Board of Indiana**

**Indiana Government Center - South Building  
402 W. Washington Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204**

**Minutes from the Meeting of  
February 26, 2026**

<https://www.zoomgov.com/j/16076409084>

**Meeting ID: 160 7640 9084**

John Strobel, M.D., President, called the meeting to order at 8:38 a.m. and declared a quorum in accordance with IC 25-22.5-2-2, pursuant to public notice posted at the principal office for the Board, online at the board's website and on the state calendar at least forty-eight (48) hours before the time of the meeting.

**Board Members Present**

John Strobel, MD  
Kirk Masten, DO  
Heidi Dunniway, MD  
Victoria McCann, JD

**Board Members Absent**

Rebecca Mueller, MD  
Bharat Barai, MD  
Michael Busk, MD

**PLA Staff**

Christine Maslan, Board Director  
Kiko Dixon, Assistant Board Director

**Advisory Counsel**

Leif Johnson, JD

**Court Reporter:**

Accurate Reporting – Margie Addington

**Adoption of Agenda**

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda.  
McCann/Masten 4-0-0.

**Adoption of Minutes**

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the minutes from January 22, 2025.  
Masten McCann 4-0-0.

## Administrative Hearings

### Final Hearings

#### **Robert Prather, Acu.D.C., 8100053A Cause No.: 2025 09-MED-0024**

DAG: Ryan Eldridge  
Respondent: Appeared with counsel, Mark Sullivan  
Witness: None  
Exhibit(s): None

Proposed Settlement Agreement received.

A motion was made and seconded to ACCEPT the proposed settlement agreement SUSPENDING the license with terms and conditions. Contingent upon paragraph 7f of the agreement being modified to remove the female chaperone requirement and instead state that the provider will only see male patients.

McCann/Masten 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

### Motion to Dismiss

#### **Jeffery Smith, M.D., 01030268A Cause No.: 2025 06-MED-0020**

DAG: Ryan Eldridge  
Respondent: Did not appear  
Witness: None  
Exhibit(s):

Motion to dismiss filed, during discovery additional information was received, based on depositions OAG found case should not move forward.

A motion was made and seconded to ACCEPT motion to dismiss without prejudice and file consumer complaint with OAG regarding collaborating without an active CSR.

Masten/Dunniway 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

### Summary Suspension

#### **Abdelmessiah Guirguis, M.D., 01065798A Cause No.: 2025 06-MED-0018**

DAG: Carah Rochester  
Respondent: Did not appear  
Witness:  
Exhibit(s):

Agreement

A motion was made and seconded to ACCEPT summary suspension agreement for 90 days.

McCann/Masten 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

## **Proposed Settlement Agreement**

### **Claudia Hanau, Unlicensed individual, Cause No.: 2025 06-MED-0018**

DAG: Ryan Eldridge  
Respondent: Did not appear  
Witness: None  
Exhibit(s): None

Agreed cease and desist order filed.

A motion was made and seconded to ACCEPT agreed proposed cease and desist order.  
Masten/McCann 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

## **Cease and Desist**

### **Karma Swift, Unlicensed, Cause No.: 2025 06-MED-0013**

DAG: Ryan Eldridge  
Respondent: Did not appear  
Witness: Cassie McDaniel, OAG investigator  
Exhibit(s): State's Exhibits 1 - 9 – Consumer Complaints  
State's Exhibit 10 - Cease and Desist order dated October 12, 2021  
State's Exhibit 11 - Cease and Desist order dated February 23, 2023  
State's Exhibit 12 - Screenshots of Express Beauty Day Spa's website  
State's Exhibit 13 - Secretary of State listing of Ms. Swift's business  
State's Exhibit 14 – Business/Medical Records Certification and Affidavit for Express White Day Spa/Express Beauty Day  
State's Exhibit 15 - Screenshots of Express Beauty Day Spa's website

A motion was made and seconded to DENY prior motion to vacate the NOPD  
Masten/Strobel 4-0-0  
Motion carries.

State requests the board hold Respondent in default

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE Cease and Desist.  
Dunniway/McCann 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

## **Petition for Review**

### **Anil Gupta, M.D., 01070862A Cause No.: 2025 11-MED-0027**

DAG: None  
Petitioner: Appeared with counsel, Amanda Gray  
Witness: Dr. Gupta  
Exhibit(s): Petitioner's Exhibit 1 – CV of Dr. Gupta  
Exhibit 2 – Illinois Consent order dated January 26, 2026 and DEA MOA dated September 23, 2025  
Exhibit 3 – Illinois Consent order dated July 7, 2024  
Exhibit 4 – Certificate of completion for PBI Medical Record Keeping CE  
Exhibit 5 - Letter dated January 28, 2025 letter from EBAS

A motion was made and seconded to AFFIRM DENIAL of license renewal.  
Masten/McCann 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Kamaleldin Kamal, M.D., 01057156A Cause No.: 2025 12-MED-0032**

DAG: None  
Respondent: Represented by counsel, Amanda Gray, licensee did not appear  
Witness: None  
Exhibit(s): None

Asked for continuance of hearing

A motion was made and seconded to DENY review. Denial affirmed.  
Masten/Dunniway 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Carl Walker, M.D., 01046851A Cause No.: 2026 01-MED-0004**

DAG: None  
Respondent: Appeared in person  
Witness: None  
Exhibit(s): None

Urologist in state of Washington.  
Limited practice voluntarily, was reported to NPDB.

A motion was made and seconded to REVERSE THE DENIAL AND GRANT RENEWAL.  
Dunniway/McCann 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Probation Withdraw**

**Benjamin Ticho, M.D., 01070796A Cause No.: 2024-MLB-0004**

DAG: None  
Respondent: Appeared in person without counsel  
Witness: Dr. Ticho  
Exhibit(s): Petitioner Exhibit 1 – Illinois Order Withdrawing Probation (submitted at meeting)

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE WITHDRAW PROBATION from this license.  
Strobel/Masten 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Personal Appearances**

**Renewal Application – Minimum Req. Not Met**

**Edward Agrait-Bertain, M.D., 01080047A**

Reason: Minimum requirements not met. Pending updated NPDB Report based on positive response.

Failed to appear

A motion was made and seconded to DENY renewal of this license.  
Strobel/Masten 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**William Baldwin, M.D., 01078637A**

Reason: Minimum requirements not met. Pending updated NPDB Report based on positive response.

Failed to appear

A motion was made and seconded to DENY renewal of this license.

Masten/Strobel 4-0-0.

Motion carries.

**Rick Brittain, M.D., 01087945A**

Reason: Minimum requirements not met. Pending updated NPDB Report based on positive response.

Failed to appear

A motion was made and seconded to DENY renewal of this license.

Strobel/Dunniway 4-0-0.

Motion carries.

**Richard Browne, M.D., 01048763A**

Reason: Minimum requirements not met.

Appeared with counsel, Arie Lipinski

Three medical malpractice cases have been settled since last renewal. Total of six medical malpractice cases in 27 years of practice.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE renewal of this license and refer to the OAG.

Strobel/Masten 4-0-0.

Motion carries.

**Linda Jager, M.D., 01043746A**

Reason: Minimum requirements not met. Pending updated NPDB Report based on positive response.

Failed to appear

A motion was made and seconded to DENY renewal of this license.

Strobel/Dunniway 4-0-0.

Motion carries.

**Hassan Kieso, M.D., 01051089A**

Reason: Minimum requirements not met. Pending updated NPDB Report based on positive response.

Failed to appear

A motion was made and seconded to DENY renewal of this license.

Dunniway/Strobel 4-0-0.

Motion carries.

**John Millin, M.D. 01074215A**

Reason: Minimum requirements not met. Pending updated NPDB Report based on positive response.

Failed to appear

A motion was made and seconded to DENY renewal of this license.

Strobel/Masten 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Richard Niccum, M.D., 01037769A**

Reason: Minimum requirements not met. Pending positive response documentation to support positive response.

Provided positive response documentation.  
Testimony brought concerns.  
Has been "treating" patients in Walmart parking lots, etc.  
Has not practiced in a clinic setting since 2016

A motion was made and seconded to DENY renewal of this license.  
McCann/Dunniway 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Renewal Application – Failure to Disclose (Other)**

**David Hardin, M.D., 01039780A**

Reason: PA recommended by Dr. Strobel and Dr. Masten for further clarification about collaboration as supervising physician with APRNs; Recommended to file complaint against OAG

Practitioner he was supervising was writing prescriptions under his DEA.

Renew on probation with terms and conditions. Notify board of practice location, cannot collaborate with any APRNs.

Dr. Hardin accepts renewal on probation.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE renewal of this license on PROBATION with terms and conditions.  
Strobel/Masten 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Tareq Qdaisat, M.D., 01092443A**

Reason: Received license via waiver 9.28.23; Has not provided 2024, 2025, 2026 annual report from employer. Terminated three-year contract without notifying MLB. Requesting inactive renewal.  
Appeared with Counsel, Brendan Hogan

Withdrew renewal application

**Renewal Application – Positive Response**

**Ellena Boddie, M.D., 01057385A**

Reason: Clinical privileges denied.

IL license was under consent order until 2016, was fully reinstated. Also has a full, unrestricted license in FL. Privileges were denied based on 2012 issue. Licensed in many other states.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE renewal of this license.  
Strobel/Dunniway 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Robert Campbell II, M.D., 01047292A**

Reason: Continued from 1.22.26; OH PHP

Failed to appear.

A motion was made and seconded to DENY renewal of this license.

Strobel/Masten 4-0-0.

Motion carries.

**Shane Guffey, M.D., 01061950A**

Appeared in person with counsel, Katie Jackson.

Attended Florida recovery program.

Per Molly Dagon, ISMA PAP, is in compliance with his contract.

DEA was surrendered voluntarily

Sobriety date 9.13.2025

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE renewal of this license.

Dunniway/Masten 4-0-0.

Motion carries.

**Liam Howley, M.D., 01065481A**

Reason: *Continued from 1.22.26*; Title IV

Enrolled in ISMA PAP discharged from program without completing contract.

ISMA PAP not able to comment as they do not have a signed release.

A motion was made and seconded to DENY renewal of this license and refer to the OAG.

Masten/Dunniway 4-0-0.

Motion carries.

**Christopher Hoyt, M.D., 01056839A**

Appeared with counsel, Laura Iosue.

Military veteran has been working at rural hospital in TX. New company took over at his place of employment, became frustrated with new ownership regarding equipment in endoscopy suites.

Board reviewed exhibits provided by counsel.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE renewal of this license.

Dunniway/Masten 4-0-0.

Motion carries.

**David Nebbeling, D.O., 02003625A**

Reason: Continued from 1.22.26; Current probationary status with MI + MI PHP

Failed to appear.

Molly Dagon, ISMA PAP scheduled to meet with him tomorrow.

Currently has contract with Michigan PAP

A motion was made and seconded to DENY renewal of this license.

Strobel/McCann 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Joseph Palumbo, D.O., 02005412A**

Owns a medical staffing company. Indiana requires the owner to have an active medical license,

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE renewal of this license.  
Strobel/Dunniway 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Rosenberg Reyes, M.D., 01049704A**

KY license is on probation.

Dr. Reyes agrees to the renewal of Indiana license on probation.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE renewal of this license ON PROBATION with terms and conditions.  
Masten/ Dunniway 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Ryan Rolf, M.D., 01057615A**

Appeared in person with counsel, Barclay Wong

Jennifer Jackson-Harr, ISMA PAP testified, not under contract yet as he was just discharged from the hospital. Was involved in a serious car accident

Dr. Rolf agreed to renewal of Indiana license on probation.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE renewal of this license ON PROBATION with terms and conditions.  
Masten/McCann 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Javier Sevilla, M.D., 01056089A**

Reason: 2025 DUI

Appeared in person with counsel, Rachel Russell.

Professor at IU also runs a free clinic in Indianapolis and in his home country of Honduras.

Criminal probation has been completed.  
Completed program at Fairbanks.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE renewal of this license PENDING ISMA PAP evaluation.  
Dunniway/McCann 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Michael Westfall, D.O., 02002226A**

Reason: Pled guilty to domestic violence, Currently on probation (June 17, 2025 – present)

Appeared in person with counsel, Bob Saint.  
Currently on criminal probation, plead guilty. Has since separated from his wife.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE renewal of this license and refer to the OAG.  
Strobel/Dunniway 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

### **Initial Application**

#### **Jerry Chow, M.D.**

Reason: Continued from 1.22.26; \$675K MedMal (2 cases within six years with 1 being a death).

Is a plastic surgeon, has had two (2) medical malpractice settlements since practicing.  
Does not currently have a physician job lined up in Indiana.

Works as a physician for the MMA

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE issuance of this license.  
McCann/Masten 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

#### **Mohammed Iqbal, M.D.**

Reason: Spartan Health and Sciences University is an Indiana disapproved foreign medical school

Medical school is on the Indiana disapproved list.  
Practicing in Wisconsin currently has been at current job for about seven (7) years, previously practiced in Iowa.  
Completed residency in the US.  
Board certified in psychology.

Indiana plans – Nursing home group needing a psychologist

A motion was made and seconded to DENY issuance of this license.  
Masten/Dunniway 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

#### **Kemal Kucuk, M.D.**

Reason: Continued from 1.22.26; Title IV

Failed to appear.

TABLED to March meeting.  
Strobel/Masten 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

#### **Brian Leve, M.D.**

Reason: Disclosed 2008 DUI, FTD OH/Title IV/Medicaid Exclusion.

Completed PAP in Ohio, Completed license probation in Ohio.  
Was excluded from Medicaid, has now been reinstated.

Current telemedicine employer is expanding into Indiana, they asked him to get an Indiana license.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE issuance of this license.  
Masten/Strobel 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Shivam Shah, M.D.**

Board reviewed employment contract, he also provided information on current Ohio license.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE issuance of this license.  
Strobel/Masten 4-0-0.  
Motion carries.

**Adjournment 3:51 p.m.**