

THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT / THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK / ALBANY, NY 12234

TO:	The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents
FROM:	Frank Muñoz
SUBJECT:	Report of the Committee on the Professions Regarding Licensing Petitions
DATE:	March 21, 2011

# AUTHORIZATION(S):

# **Summary**

## Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)

Should the Regents approve the recommendations of the Committee on the Professions pertaining to licensing petitions as listed on the attachment?

## Proposed Handling

This question will come before the full board at its April 2011 meeting where it will be voted on and action taken.

## Procedural History

Section 6506(5) of the Education Law and Section 24.7 of the Rules of the Board of Regents authorize the Regents to waive education, experience and examination requirements for a professional license as well as to confer the degree Doctor of Medicine.

## **Background Information**

There are 6 licensing petitions and 13 requests for the conferral of the degree Doctor of Medicine for review and approval.

## **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Regents approve the recommendations of the Committee on the Professions regarding licensing petitions.

## Timetable for Implementation

Approval of the Committee on the Professions' recommendations will be effective April 5, 2011.

Cases Presented to Bo	ard of Regents or	n: April 5, 2011				SUMMARY	( REPORT	
		EDUCATION			EXAMINATION		Confer Degree	
PROFESSION	Pre- Professional	Professional	Post- Graduate	Proficiency	Licensing	Experience	Doctor of Medicine	Limited License
Certified Public Accountancy					11-03-07 11-04-07			
Medicine							11-33-60C to 11-45-60C	
Veterinary Medicine					11-03-75			11-06-74 to 11-08-74
OTHER						Total for fisc	al year to date:	19
						Total for cal	endar year to dat	<b>e:</b> 72

## CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY

<u>11-03-07</u> Hillary Dale Berliner Great Neck, NY 11020

(Hofstra University, BBA in Accounting, May 2007)

<u>Petition for</u>: Acceptance of passing grades on the Uniform Certified Public Accountancy (CPA) Examination.

<u>Statement of Problem</u>: Hillary Berliner, an applicant for licensure as a CPA, recently passed the four parts of the Uniform CPA Examination. However, she exceeded the 18-month conditioning requirement by two months.

Ms. Berliner received conditional credit for passing the Regulation (REG) section of the Examination in January 2009. She needed to pass the remaining three sections by September 30, 2010 to retain credit for the REG section. She subsequently passed the Auditing (AUD) section in November 2009 and the Business Environment and Concepts (BEC) section in August 2010, both within the 18-month conditioning period. She passed the final Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) section in November 2010, two months after losing conditional credit for the REG section.

Ms. Berliner's plan for completing the exam within 18 months was disrupted in January 2010 through May 2010 due to documented personal factors. Ms. Berliner prepared for the BEC section and passed that part of the Examination in August 2010 which was the last testing window within her 18-month timeframe. Ms. Berliner then prepared for, and passed, the FAR section in the next available testing window; however, this was two months outside the 18 month conditioning period.

Based on the documentation submitted and Ms. Berliner's success on all four parts of the Examination, the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Public Accountancy supports her petition to waive the 18-month requirement to pass all four parts of the Uniform CPA Examination.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Section 7404 of Education Law and Part 70 of the Commissioner's Regulations require:	
(1) A bachelor's or higher degree based on a program in accountancy.	(1) Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY, B.B.A. in Accounting, May 2007.
(2) Passing scores on the Uniform CPA Examination.	(2) (a) November 2007: Business Environment and Concepts (failing score).
	(b) January 2009: Regulation (passing score).
	(c) November 2009: Auditing (passing score).

	<ul><li>(d) August 2010: Business Environment and Concepts (passing score).</li><li>(e) November 2010: Financial Accounting</li></ul>
	and Reporting (passing score).
(3) One year of satisfactory experience.	

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Public Accountancy, recommends that the applicant's petition for acceptance of passing grades on the Uniform CPA Examination be accepted.

#### **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY**

<u>11-04-07</u> Dan Haim Bouskila Fort Lee, NJ 07024

(Rutgers University, Bachelor of Science in Accounting, May 2008)

<u>Petition for</u>: Acceptance of passing grades on the Uniform Certified Public Accountancy (CPA) Examination.

<u>Statement of Problem</u>: Dan Bouskila, an applicant for licensure as a CPA, recently passed the four parts of the Uniform CPA Examination. However, he exceeded the 18 month conditioning requirement by two months.

Mr. Bouskila received conditional credit for passing the Auditing (AUD) section of the Examination in February 2009. He subsequently passed the Regulation (REG) section in January 2010 and the Business Environment and Concepts (BEC) section in April 2010. Mr. Bouskila passed the Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) section in November 2010, two months outside the 18-month conditioning period.

Mr. Bouskila's ability to prepare and sit for the various sections of the Examination was impeded by documented personal factors that he experienced during the third testing quarter of 2009 and again in the third and fourth quarters of 2010.

Based on the documentation received and Mr. Bouskila's success on all four parts of the Examination, the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Public Accountancy supports his petition to waive the 18-month requirement to pass all four parts of the Uniform CPA Examination.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Section 7404 of Education Law and Part 70 of the Commissioner's Regulations require:	
(1) A bachelor's or higher degree based on a program in accountancy.	(2) Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, B.S. in Accounting, May 2008.
(2) Passing scores on the Uniform CPA Examination.	(2) (a) February 2009: Auditing (passing score).
	(b) April 2009: Business Environment and Concepts (failing score).
	(c) April 2010: Business Environment and Concepts (passing score).
	(d) January 2010: Regulation (passing score).
	(e) July 2010: Financial Accounting and

	Reporting (failing score).
	(f) November 2010: Financial Accounting and Reporting (passing score).
(3) One year of satisfactory experience.	

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Public Accountancy, recommends that the applicant's petition for acceptance of passing grades on the Uniform CPA Examination be accepted.

#### VETERINARY MEDICINE

<u>11-03-75</u> James Bradley Brenneman Port Charlotte, FL 33954

(Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, D.V.M., 1975)

<u>Petition for</u>: Waiver of New York State requirements pertaining to acceptability of licensing examinations for licensure by endorsement.

<u>Statement of Problem</u>: Dr. Brenneman graduated from an accredited college of veterinary medicine in 1975 and took the National Board (NBE) examination in that year. Dr. Brenneman has not taken the Clinical Competency Test (CCT), which was offered only from 1979 to 2000. For New York State licensure, applicants who passed the NBE must also take the CCT. Both the NBE and the CCT have been replaced by the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE).

Dr. Brenneman was licensed in Ohio based on the NBE and has documented more than 30 years of licensed practice.

In view of Dr. Brenneman's documentation of more then 30 years of practice as evidence of clinical competence, the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Veterinary Medicine recommends that the CCT examination requirement be waived and that the applicant's Ohio license be accepted for endorsement in New York State.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Section 6704 of the Education Law and Section 59.6 and Part 62 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education:	
(1) Completion of six years' pre-professional and professional postsecondary studies satisfactory to the department and graduation with a satisfactory degree in veterinary medicine.	<ul><li>(1) Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, D.V.M., June 1975.</li></ul>
(2) Acceptable scores on satisfactory licensing examinations or passing scores on an acceptable state licensing examination not in use in New York State and at least two years' satisfactory professional experience following licensure.	(2)(a) Passing score on May 1975 NBE examination; did not take the CCT.
	(2)(b) Licensed as a veterinarian in Ohio, June 1975.
	(2)(c) More than two years of satisfactory professional experience following licensure.
(3) United States citizenship or immigration status as an alien lawfully admitted for permanent resident status in the United States.	(3) United States citizen.

(4) Evidence of good moral character.	(4) Good moral character.
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<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Veterinary Medicine, recommends waiver of the CCT examination requirement and endorsement of the applicant's Ohio license.

## THREE-YEAR LIMITED LICENSE IN VETERINARY MEDICINE

<u>Petition for</u>: Three-year limited license to practice veterinary medicine under Section 6704(6) of the Education Law.

<u>Statement of Problem</u>: The applicants listed below have met the education and examination requirements for licensure as veterinarians in New York State. The only requirement for full licensure that cannot be satisfied at this time is United States citizenship or immigration status as an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States.

Each applicant also has a pending application for full veterinary medical licensure, which cannot be granted until he/she satisfies the citizenship or permanent residency requirement.

<u>Applicable Guidelines</u>: Section 6704(6) of Education Law relates to the requirement of United States citizenship or permanent resident status for licensure as a veterinarian in New York State and allows the Board of Regents to grant a one-time three-year waiver (plus an extension of not more than one year) for an alien veterinarian to practice in New York State if all other licensure requirements are satisfied.

Name of Petitioner		
<u>11-06-74</u>		
	Silvia DeCamps	
	Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522	
<u>11-07-74</u>		
	Jeremy Daniel Frederick	
	Millbrook, NY 12545	
<u>11-08-74</u>		
	Alana Catherine King	
	Saratoga Springs, NY 12866	

**ACTION:** The Department shall issue a limited license for a maximum of three years to practice veterinary medicine in New York State to each applicant, conditional upon Approval by the Department of all documentation needed to verify satisfaction of all veterinary medicine licensure requirements other than citizenship. The limited license may be renewed upon the lawful submission of an application for an extension of not more than one year, at the discretion of the Department.

## MEDICINE

<u>Petition for</u>: Conferral of the degree Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) pursuant to Section 6529 of the Education Law.

<u>Summary Statement</u>: The petitioners listed below are all graduates of foreign medical schools who have been licensed in New York.

The applicable requirements of Section 3.57 of the Rules of the Board of Regents require completion of a medical education program in a foreign medical school satisfactory to the Department which does not grant the degree Doctor of Medicine (M.D.), and in which the philosophy and curriculum were equivalent, as determined by the Department in accordance with the policy of the Board of Regents, to those in programs leading to the degree Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) at medical schools in the United States satisfactory to, or registered by, the Board of Regents and the Department. Secondly, petitioners must have licensure to practice medicine in New York State in accordance with provisions of Section 6524 or 6528 of the Education Law or their equivalent as determined by the Board of Regents pursuant to their authority under Section 6506 of the Education Law.

NAME OF PETITIONER	QUALIFICATIONS
<u>11-33-60C</u>	(1) Sir Salimullah Medical College, Dhaka,
Abdul Akhand	Bangladesh, Bachelor of Medicine,
Valley Stream, NY 11581	Bachelor of Surgery, 3/17/82.
	(2) License #245545, issued on 8/7/07.
<u>11-34-60C</u>	(1) Dhaka Medical College, Dhaka,
Syed Ally	Bangladesh, Bachelor of Medicine,
Bradford, PA 16701	Bachelor of Surgery, 5/13/80.
	(2) License #259941, issued on 1/7/11.
<u>11-35-60C</u>	(1) University of Health Sciences, Lahore,
Ashaur Azhar	Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor
Elmira, NY 14905	of Surgery, 2/21/05.
	(2) License #258046, issued on 7/23/10.
<u>11-36-60C</u>	(1) Autonomous University of Guadalajara,
Carla Bassat	Guadalajara, Mexico, Physician &
Boqueron, Puerto Rico 00622	Surgeon, 6/13/03.
	(2) License #259933, issued on 1/7/11.
<u>11-37-60C</u>	(1) Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore,
Mallika Bhat	India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of
Mountain View, CA 94041	Surgery, 5/2/05.
	(2) License #259707 issued on 12/15/10.
<u>11-38-60C</u>	(1) University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria,
Chijoke Egbujo	Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery,
Brooklyn, NY 11219	5/12/00.
	(2) License #258380, issued on 8/26/10.

<u>11-39-60C</u>	(1) Kasturba Medical College, Manipal, India,
Aviva Kamath	Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of
New York, NY 10022	Surgery, 12/30/06.
	(2) License #260000, issued on 1/12/11.
<u>11-40-60C</u>	(1) King Edward Medical College, Lahore,
Iram Nawaz	Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor
Brooklyn, NY 11218	of Surgery, 8/31/00.
	(2) License #259275, issued on 10/29/10.
<u>11-41-60C</u>	(1) Allama Iqbal Medical College, Lahore,
Sami Osman	Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor
Middletown, NY 10941	of Surgery, 3/5/99.
	(2) License #259750, issued on 12/22/10.
<u>11-42-60C</u>	(1) Kakatiya Medical College, Warangal, India,
Venugopal Palla	Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery,
Dix Hills, NY 11746	9/5/92.
	(2) License #211129, issued on 7/3/98.
<u>11-43-60C</u>	(1) King Edward Medical College, Lahore,
Afzal Rehman	Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor
Vestal, NY 13850	of Surgery, 7/12/85.
	(2) License #192247, issued on 5/25/93.
<u>11-44-60C</u>	(1) Fatimah Jinnah Medical College, Lahore,
Shehla Shabnam	Pakistan, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor
Dix Hills, NY 11746	of Surgery, 3/20/97.
	(2) License #250524, issued on 9/24/08.
<u>11-45-60C</u>	(1) University of Benin, Benin, Nigeria,
Samuel Umesegha	Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery,
Bronx, NY 10462	6/7/97.
	(2) License #241718, issued on 8/30/06.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the State Board for Medicine, recommends that the petitioners be awarded the degree Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) in accordance with provisions of Section 6529 of the Education Law.