

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: February 21, 2011

AUTHORIZATION(S):

Summary

<u>Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)</u>

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 March 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 8 licensing petitions and 12 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 March 8, 2011.

PROFESSION	EDUCATION			EXAMINATION			Confer Degree	Three-Year
	Pre- Professional	Professional	Post- Graduate	Proficiency	Licensing		Doctor of Medicine	
Certified Public Accountancy					11-01-07 11-02-07			
Dentistry	11-02-50	11-02-50						11-03-59
Medicine				11-16-60*	11-16-60*	11-16-60*	11-21-60C to 11-32-60C	
Speech-Language Pathology		11-01-58						
Veterinary Medicine								11-04-74 11-05-74
OTHER: *Endorsement	of medical license t	from Egypt.				Total for fisc	cal year to date:	246
						Total for cale	endar year to dat	e : 53

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY

11-01-07 Noelle Silberbauer Hoboken, NJ 07030

(Villanova University, Bachelor of Science in Accounting, September 2000)

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

<u>Statement of Problem</u>: Noelle Silberbauer, 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 seven months which caused her to lose credit for Business Environment and Concepts (BEC) from December 31, 2009 and Auditing (AUD) from September 30, 2010.

Ms. Silberbauer received conditional credit for passing the Business Environment and Concepts (BEC) section of the Examination in April 2008. She needed to pass the three remaining sections by December 31, 2009. She passed the Auditing (AUD) section of the Examination in February 2009 and the Regulation (REG) section of the Examination in August 2009; however, she did not pass Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) until August 2010.

Ms. Silberbauer was unable to prepare and sit for the remaining three sections of the Examination from May 2008 through November 2008 due to documented personal factors. These personal factors delayed Ms. Silberbauer's ability to prepare and sit for the remaining three sections until the next testing window in February 2009. Based on documentation and Ms. Silberbauer's perseverance on the FAR section, 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	(1) Villanova University, September
on a program in accountancy.	2000.
(2) Passing scores on the Uniform CPA	(2) (a) April 2008: Business Environment
Examination.	and Concepts (passing score).
	(b) February 2009: Auditing (passing
	score).
	(c) April 2009: Regulation (failing
	score).
	(d) August 2009: Regulation (passing

	score).
	(e) November 2009 and May 2010:
	Financial Accounting and Reporting
	(failing scores).
	(f) August 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.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY

11-02-07 Faradzh Kasimov Brooklyn, NY 11229

(Hunter College CUNY, Bachelor of Science in Accounting, June 2008)

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

<u>Statement of Problem</u>: Faradzh Kasimov, 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. Kasimov received conditional credit for passing the Financial Accounting and Reporting (FAR) section of the Examination in January 2009. He needed to pass the three remaining sections by September 30, 2010. He passed the Business Environment and Concepts (BEC) section in August 2009 and Regulation (REG) in February 2010; however, he did not pass Auditing (AUD) until November 2010.

Mr. Kasimov's ability to prepare and sit for the final AUD section was impeded by documented personal factors. Based on the supporting documentation and Mr. Kasimov's perseverance on the AUD section, despite significant personal factors, 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	(2) Hunter College CUNY, Bachelor of
on a program in accountancy.	Science in Accounting, June 2008.
(2) Passing scores on the Uniform CPA	(2) (a) January 2009: Financial
Examination.	Accounting and Reporting (passing
	score).
	(b) May 2009: Business Environment
	and Concepts (failing score).
	(c) August 2009: Business
	Environment and Concepts (passing
	score).
	(d) February 2010: Regulation
	(passing score).
	(e) May and August 2010: Auditing
	(failing scores).

	(f) November 2010: Auditing (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.

DENTISTRY

11-02-50 Li Ning Rochester, NY

(Shanghai Second Medical University, College of Stomatology, Shanghai, People's Republic of China, Bachelor of Dental Science, December 1982)

<u>Petition for</u>: Acceptance of education.

<u>Statement of Problem</u>: Regulations of the Commissioner of Education require an applicant for licensure in dentistry to complete an acceptable pre-professional education program of at least two years in length (including courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology and physics) and an acceptable professional dental education program of at least four years in length, for a total of six years of pre-professional and professional education. Dr. Ning completed a five-year combined pre-professional and professional dental education program at Shanghai Second Medical University, College of Stomatology. Therefore, she lacks one year of education, which is in the pre-professional area.

Following dental school, Dr. Ning completed a Master of Dental Science and a Doctor of Dental Science at Shanghai Second Medical University. Based on a review of Dr. Ning's advanced studies at Shanghai Second Medical University, the State Board for Dentistry recommends that these degrees be considered to fulfill the remaining one year of required pre-professional education.

Additionally, Dr. Ning did not complete the two academic years of study required in an accredited dental school program culminating in certification that the applicant has achieved the level of knowledge and clinical proficiency expected of a graduate of that school. Such study is required for applicants completing a program of dental education in an unregistered or unaccredited dental school. Dr. Ning enrolled in the two-year advanced program in general dentistry at the Eastman Institute for Oral Health of the University of Rochester and successfully completed the program in December 2009. This program is acknowledged by the State Board for Dentistry as the substantial equivalent of the two-year program required in Regulation.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Section 61 of the Regulations of the	
Commissioner of Education requires:	
(1) Not less than 60 semester hours of pre-professional education including courses in general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology or zoology, and physics.	(1) See qualification #2.

(2) Four academic years of dental education culminating in a degree in an acceptable dental school.	(2)(a) Five years of acceptable pre- professional and professional dental education culminating in the degree of Bachelor of Dental Science, Shanghai Second Medical University, College of Stomatology, Shanghai, People's Republic of China, December 1982. (b) Master of Dental Science, Shanghai Second Medical University, Shanghai, People's Republic of China, July 1990. (c) Doctor of Dental Science, Shanghai Second Medical University, Shanghai, People's Republic of China, June 1995.
(3) Two academic years of study in an accredited dental school program culminating in certification that the applicant has achieved the level of knowledge and clinical proficiency expected of a graduate of that school.	(3) Two-year advanced program in general dentistry at the University of Rochester, Eastman Institute for Oral Health, Rochester, New York, completed December 2009.
(4) Satisfactory scores on Parts I and II of the National Dental Board Examinations.	(4) Satisfactory scores on Parts I and II of the National Dental Board Examinations.
(5) Acceptable clinically-based dental residency program of at least one year's duration.	
(6) United States citizen or alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States.	(6) Alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States.
(7) Evidence of the required course in the identification and reporting of child abuse and maltreatment.	(7) Completed the required course in the identification and reporting of child abuse and maltreatment.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Dentistry, recommends that the applicant's preprofessional and professional education requirements be considered fulfilled.

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

11-01-58 Kathleen Devine Zino Plainedge, NY 11756

(Hofstra University, Hempstead, New York, M.A. in Speech Pathology & Audiology, 1981)

<u>Petition for</u>: Waive requirement for practicum clinical hours

<u>Statement of Problem</u>: Commissioner's Regulations require applicants for licensure as speech-language pathologists to complete at least 400 practicum hours, including 325 hours at the graduate level. While Ms. Zino meets the total number of undergraduate and graduate practicum hours required, she has documented completion of only 300 of the 325 hours required at the graduate level. Ms. Zino requests that the requirement for an additional 25 graduate clinical practicum hours be waived.

Ms. Zino received her Master of Arts in Speech-Language Pathology from Hofstra University in May of 1981 when New York State had lower regulatory educational requirements than at present. As part of that graduate curriculum, Ms. Zino was required to complete a minimum of 300 hours of clinical practicum with children and/or adults, both on-campus and at off-campus affiliated sites. The applicant may have completed more hours but the school is no longer in possession of her specific record of clinical observation hours.

The Office of Speech and Hearing Services at the Nassau BOCES has documented supervised experience for the applicant from September 22, 2004 to June 20, 2007 as a Teacher of the Speech and Hearing Handicapped. The applicant reports that she was also employed by the State of Nebraska from 1981-1984 as a Teacher of the Speech and Hearing Handicapped.

In consideration of Ms. Zino's professional experience, her passing the Praxis examination, and having completed a master's degree in Speech-Language Pathology from Hofstra University in 1981, it is the recommendation of staff of the New York State Board for Speech-Language Pathology that the petition for waiver of 25 graduate practicum hours be granted.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Section 8206 of the Education Law and	
Part 75 of the Regulations of the	
Commissioner of Education:	
(1) Completion of a master's or higher	(1) Adelphi University, Garden City, New
degree program in speech-language	York, B.A. in Speech Pathology-
pathology that is registered, accredited,	Audiology, 1979 & graduate study 1979,

or determined equivalent by the Department, including specified coursework.	15 semester credits; Hofstra University, Hempstead, New York, M.A. in Speech Pathology & Audiology, 1981; University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, Nebraska, 1982/83, 3 semester credits. See Statement of Problem.
(2) Not less than 36 weeks of satisfactory supervised experience following completion of a program that meets the above requirements.	
(3) Satisfactory grades on an acceptable examination in speech-language pathology.	(3) Passing score on the January 2010 Praxis examination in Speech-Language Pathology.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the New York State Board for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology recommends that the applicant's petition for waiver of 25 graduate practicum hours be granted.

THREE-YEAR LIMITED LICENSE IN DENTISTRY

<u>Petition for</u>: Three-year limited license to practice Dentistry under Section 6604(6) of the Education Law.

<u>Statement of Problem</u>: The applicant listed below has satisfied the education and examination requirements for licensure as a dentist 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.

The applicant has an opportunity to practice dentistry in an area which has been designated a Federal Dental Health Professions Shortage Area and requests a three-year waiver of the citizenship requirement under Section 6604(6) of the Education Law. The applicant must sign an affidavit stating the exact location of the shortage area where he/she will practice before the three-year limited license will be issued.

Applicable Guidelines: Section 6604(6) of Education Law relates to the requirement of United States citizenship or permanent resident status for licensure as a dentist in New York State and allows the Board of Regents to grant a one-time, three-year waiver of this requirement for an alien dentist to practice in New York State if all other licensure requirements are satisfied and to grant an additional extension not to exceed six years to enable the alien to secure citizenship or permanent resident status, provided such status is being actively pursued.

	NAME OF PETITIONER
11-03-59	
	Nidhi Gupta
	S. Burlington, VT 05403

ACTION: The Department shall issue a three-year limited license to the applicant to practice dentistry in New York State in a Federal Dental Health Professions Shortage Area upon approval by the Department of all documentation needed to verify satisfaction of all dentistry licensure requirements other than citizenship and an acceptable Affidavit of Agreement on the applicant's location of employment. The limited license may be renewed upon the lawful submission of an application for an extension of not more than six years, at the discretion of the Department.

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
11-04-74	
	Carolyn Susan Kondra
	Floral Park, NY 11001
11-05-74	
	Shoko Watanabe
	New York, NY 10016

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

11-16-60 Mohmed Naguib Ibrahim Attala Houston, Texas 77006

(Cairo University, Faculty of Medicine, Cairo, Egypt, Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery, November 1976).

<u>Petition for</u>: Endorsement of his medical license from Egypt.

<u>Statement of Problem</u>: Commissioner's Regulations allow endorsement of an applicant's license from another jurisdiction if appropriate requirements are met, and the applicant has not failed any part of New York State's licensing examination. A license granted in a foreign country can be endorsed if licensure in that country is regulated by an organization designated as responsible for quality assurance and acceptable to the Board of Regents. Additionally, the applicant must satisfactorily demonstrate completion of an acceptable clinical competency examination, three years of ACGME-accredited postgraduate training or the equivalent, and five years of satisfactory professional experience.

Dr. Attala has not failed any part of the licensing examinations used by New York State. The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine has reviewed the applicant's medical credentials and career spanning over 34 years, including 29 years of teaching and professional experience (following postgraduate training) and faculty tenure at two American medical schools. The Executive Secretary recommends that Dr. Attala's seven years of postgraduate training in Egypt and Saudi Arabia be accepted as the equivalent of the three years of ACGME-accredited postgraduate training required for licensure. Commissioner's Regulations allow the Board of Regents to accept appropriate foreign medical licenses and diplomate certificates to fulfill the licensure and clinical competency requirements for endorsement. Additionally, it is noted that Dr. Attala has been licensed by the Egyptian Medical Syndicate since 1978. His license is active and in The applicant was also admitted as a Fellow of The College of good standing. Anaesthetists of Ireland in December 1985. The Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine recommends that these qualifications be accepted to fulfill the licensure and clinical competency requirements for endorsement in this State.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS:	QUALIFICATIONS:
Sections 60.1 and 60.5 of the	
Commissioner's Regulations require:	
(1) Six years of postsecondary education, including at least 32 months of medical education.	(1) Six years of postsecondary education including at least 32 months of medical education leading to the Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery, November 1976, Cairo University, Faculty of Medicine, Cairo, Egypt.

(2) Proficiency examination.	(2) Standard ECFMG Certificate, 1982.
(3) Three years of approved	(3)(a) Residency in anesthesia and
postgraduate hospital training.	critical care medicine from March 29,
	1978 through March 29, 1981, Cairo
	University, National Cancer Institute,
	Cairo, Egypt.
	(b) Residency in anesthesia from
	February 1981 through May 1985, King
	Faisal University, King Fahd University
(4) 4	Hospital, Al-Khobar, Saudi Arabia.
(4) Appropriate medical license or	(4) Medical license, Egyptian Medical
certificate.	Syndicate, March 1978.
(5) Acceptable scores on a clinical	(5) Fellow of The College of
competency examination acceptable to	Anaesthetists of Ireland, December 1985.
the Department.	
(6) Not less than five years of satisfactory	(6) More than five years of teaching and
professional experience.	professional experience.
(7) United States citizen or alien lawfully	(7) United States citizen.
admitted for permanent resident status in	
the United States.	
(8) Evidence of good moral character.	(8) Good moral character.
(9) Course in the identification of child	(9) Completed the required course in the
abuse and maltreatment.	identification of child abuse and
	maltreatment.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: The Committee on the Professions, in concurrence with the Executive Secretary of the State Board for Medicine, recommends that the applicant's qualifications be accepted to fulfill the requirements for endorsement of his Egyptian medical license.

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>11-21-60C</u>	(1) Kwame Nkrumah University, Kumasi,
Yaw Baah	Ghana, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor
Goshen, NY 10924	of Surgery, 3/3/01.
	(2) License #259549, issued on 11/23/10.
<u>11-22-60C</u>	(1) University College of Dublin, Dublin,
Noel Boyle	Ireland, Bachelor of Medicine, Surgery
Los Angeles, CA 90095	and Obstetrics, 6/18/87.
-	(2) License #199597, issued on 6/8/95.
<u>11-23-60C</u>	(1) Second Moscow Medical Institute,
Ivan Darenkov	Moscow, United Soviet Socialist
Princeton, NJ 08540	Republic, Physician, 6/25/91.
	(2) License #003705, issued on 10/20/10.
<u>11-24-60C</u>	(1) Bankura Sammilani Medical College,
Susmita Dasgupta	Bankura, India, Bachelor of Medicine,
New York, NY 11435	Bachelor of Surgery, 10/24/89.
	(2) License #258735, issued on 9/20/10.
<u>11-25-60C</u>	(1) Autonomous University of Guadalajara,
Marielia Gerena	Guadalajara, Mexico, Physician &
Morristown, NJ 09960	Surgeon, 12/1/06.
	(2) License #259851 issued on 12/30/10.
<u>11-26-60C</u>	(1) National Tech University of Athens,
George Malegiannakis	Athens, Greece, Physician, 6/30/93.
Brooklyn, NY 11229	(2) License #224662, issued on 5/6/02.

11-27-60C	(1) All India Institute of Medical Sciences,
Chetan Malik	India, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor
Pittsford, NY 14534	of Surgery, 1/1/96.
	(2) License #258156, issued on 8/2/10.
11-28-60C	(1) Maulana Azad Medical College, New
Ritu Malik	Delhi, India, Bachelor of Medicine,
Pittsford, NY 14534	Bachelor of Surgery, 4/16/97.
,	(2) License #003580, issued on 6/24/10.
11-29-60C	(1) University College of Dublin, Dublin
Nedal Shami	Ireland, Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor
Paramus, NJ 07653	of Surgery, 5/13/05.
	(2) License #250302, issued on 9/10/08.
<u>11-30-60C</u>	(1) Lvov State University, Lvov, Ukraine,
Yekaterina Slukhinsky	Physician, 2/2/71.
Brooklyn, NY 11235	(2) License #167572, issued on 8/21/86.
<u>11-31-60C</u>	(1) University of Nueva Leon, Monterray,
Samuel Theagene	Mexico, 11/1/90.
Medford, NY 11763	(2) License #194218, issued on 11/15/93.
<u>11-32-60C</u>	(1) Flinders University, Bedford Park,
Scott Weinstein	Australia. 12/17/01.
Bayside, NY 11360	(2) License #242228, issued on 10/25/06.

<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.