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VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE
FORMAL HEARING MINUTES

June 15, 2018 Department of Health Professions Henrico, Virginia
Perimeter Center
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite #300

CALL TO ORDER:	A panel of the Board was called to order at 9:01 a.m.
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Kevin O'Connor, M.D., Chair David Archer, M.D. J. Randolph Clements, D.P.M. Jacob Miller, D.O. Martha Wingfield
BOARD COUNSEL:	Erin Barrett, Assistant Attorney General
STAFF PRESENT:	Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline Tamika Hines, Case Manager, Discipline
COURT REPORTER:	Juan Ortega, Crane Snead & Associates, Inc.
PARTIES ON BEHALF OF COMMONWEALTH:	Carolann McNicol, Adjudication Specialist
COMMONWEALTH WITNESSES:	Pat Dewey, Sr. Investigator, DHP
MATTER SCHEDULED:	**Mehdod Ghafouri, D.O. License No.: 0102-20122** **Case No.: 173536**
DISCUSSION:	Dr. Ghafouri appeared before the Board in person in accordance with the Board's Notice of Formal Hearing dated January 9, 2018. Dr. Ghafouri was represented by Jason R. Davis, Esquire. The Board received evidence and sworn testimony from witnesses called by the parties and from Dr. Ghafouri regarding the allegations in the Notice.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon a motion by Dr. Clements, and duly seconded by Dr. Miller, the Board 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. Ghafouri. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Barrett, Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Hines attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Board 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 Board re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION: Upon a motion by Dr. Clements, and duly seconded by Dr. Miller, the Board made certain findings of fact and conclusions of law and voted to issue Dr. Ghafouri a reprimand and issue a monetary penalty of $5,000.

VOTE: The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

The decision shall be effective upon the entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusions, and decisions of this formal hearing panel.

Kevin O'Connor, M.D., Chair President	William L. Harp, M.D. Executive Director
Date	Date