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**California State Board of Pharmacy**  
**Department of Consumer Affairs**  
**DRAFT Disciplinary Petition Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** December 3, 2025

**Location:** OBSERVATION AND PUBLIC COMMENT IN PERSON:  
California State Board of Pharmacy  
2720 Gateway Oaks Drive, First Floor Hearing Room  
Sacramento, CA 95833

Board of Pharmacy staff members were present at the observation and public comment location.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND COMMENT FROM A REMOTE LOCATION: Webex

**Committee Members Present:** Nicole Thibeau, PharmD, Licensee Member, Chair  
Kartikeya "KK" Jha, RPh, Licensee Member  
Claudia Mercado, Public Member  
Jason Newell, Public Member  
Satinder Sandhu, PharmD, Licensee Member

**Staff Present:** Anne Sodergren, Executive Officer  
Corinne Gartner, DCA Staff Counsel  
Shelley Ganaway, DCA Staff Counsel (via Webex)  
Julie McFall, Executive Specialist Manager

**December 3, 2025**

**I. Call to Order, Establishment of Quorum, and General Announcements**

Chairperson Thibeau called the meeting to order at approximately 9:01 a.m.

Dr. Thibeau reminded all individuals present that the Board is a consumer protection agency charged with administering and enforcing Pharmacy Law. Where protection of the public is inconsistent with other interests sought to be promoted, the protection of the public shall be paramount. Dr. Thibeau advised

all individuals the meeting was being conducted via Webex. Department of Consumer Affairs' staff provided general instructions for participating in the meeting via Webex or phone.

Roll call was taken. The following Committee members were present via Webex: Claudia Mercado, Public Member; Satinder Sandhu, PharmD, Licensee Member; and Nicole Thibeau, PharmD, Licensee Member. A quorum was established.

Member Kartikeya "KK" Jha, RPh, Licensee Member and Jason Newell, Public Member arrived at 9:05 a.m.

Dr. Thibeau reminded Committee members participating via Webex to remain visible on camera throughout the open portion of the meeting. If members needed to temporarily turn off cameras due to challenges with internet connectivity, members were reminded to announce the reason for their nonappearance when the camera was turned off.

## **II. Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda/Agenda Items for Future Meetings**

Members of the public were provided with an opportunity to provide comment for items not on the agenda or agenda items for a future meeting.

Members of the public were provided the opportunity to comment in Sacramento; however, there were no members of the public attending at the Sacramento location.

Members of the public were provided the opportunity to comment through Webex; however, there were no public comments made.

## **III. Petitions for Reinstatement of Licensure, Early Termination of Probation, or Other Modification of Penalty**

Administrative Law Judge Jennevee de Guzman presided over the following hearings:

- a. Farzad J. Pirooz, RPH 48428
- b. Arden Medical Pharmacy, PHY 53636
- c. Kambiz Farzamdoost, RPH 48839

The Committee took a break from 10:38 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. Roll call was taken. The following Committee members were present via Webex: Kartikeya "KK" Jha, RPh, Licensee Member; Claudia Mercado, Public Member; Jason Newell, Public

Member; Satinder Sandhu, PharmD, Licensee Member; and Nicole Thibeau, PharmD, Licensee Member. A quorum was established.

Administrative Law Judge Matthew Block then presided over the following hearings:

- d. Mina A. Kolta, RPH 62002
- e. River's Edge Pharmacy, PHY 49157

The Committee took a break from 1:02 p.m. to 1:50 p.m. Roll call was taken. The following Committee members were present via Webex: Claudia Mercado, Public Member; Jason Newell, Public Member; Satinder Sandhu, PharmD, Licensee Member; and Nicole Thibeau, PharmD, Licensee Member. A quorum was established.

Administrative Law Judge Block then presided over the final hearing:

- f. Asmik Ayrapetyan, RPH 51512

Kartikeya "KK" Jha, RPh, Licensee Member, re-joined the meeting at approximately 2:40 p.m.

#### **IV. Closed Session**

Open session concluded at approximately 2:51 p.m. The Committee entered closed session at approximately 2:59 p.m. and ended closed session at approximately 4:14 p.m.

#### **V. Reconvene in Open Session to Adjourn for the Day**

The Committee reconvened into open session and adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:15 p.m.