

Merit Appeals Board Hearing Minutes

REGULAR HEARING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 26, 2022

REMOTE HEARING VIA ZOOM

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Sean Sanada called the proceeding to order at 10:05 a.m. with a quorum of two (2) members present.

Board Members Present: Sean Sanada, Chairperson; Valerie Pacheco, Member, and Nora Nomura, Member

Staff: Ernest Nomura, Deputy Corporation Counsel; Elena Murayama, Secretary; and Melanie Kuroiwa-Steiner, Secretary

Guests: **MAB Case No. 426:** Navnita Sarma, Appellant and Sharon Hurd, Witness

James Halvorson, Deputy Attorney General for Department of Agriculture; Darcie Mayeshiro, Departmental Human Resources Officer for Department of Agriculture, Respondent

- I. Dispensing with the required Secretary's Evacuation Instructions due to the remote hearing.
- II. **Approval of the August 17, 2022 Minutes**
Member Valerie Pacheco moved to approve the minutes as written. Member Nora Nomura seconded the motion. Chair Sean Sanada is in favor. The Minutes are approved and now part of the record.
- III. **Hearing for MAB Case No. 426**
Hearing called to order at 10:13 a.m. No minutes taken.

Recessed at 10:43 a.m.; back on the record at 10:50 a.m.

Hearing adjourned at 11:28 a.m.
- IV. **Other Business (Executive Session)**
No minutes taken
- V. **Adjournment**