

# Merit Appeals Board Hearing Minutes

## REGULAR HEARING MINUTES

Thursday, June 20, 2024

## REMOTE HEARING VIA ZOOM

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairperson Sean Sanada called the proceeding to order at 9:19 a.m. with a quorum of three (3) members present.

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

**Staff:** Shannon Lau, Deputy Corporation Counsel and Elena Murayama, Secretary

**Guest:** James Halvorson, Deputy Attorney General for the Department of the Attorney General and Renee Sonobe Hong, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Representative and Witness

All parties were present at 9:00 am with the exception of the Appellant. Appellant was contacted by telephone and he communicated that he was unable to make the hearing due to a medical emergency. Appellant requested to have his hearing rescheduled. The MAB requested that Appellant validate his medical emergency with written documentation by Friday, June 21, 4:30 p.m. (close of business). The request for a continuance is contingent upon Appellant fulfilling this requirement.

I. Dispensing with the required Secretary's Evacuation Instructions due to the remote hearing.

II. **Hearing for MAB Case 424**

Hearing called to order 9:19 a.m. No minutes taken.

Parties excused and into executive session at 9:22 a.m.

Recessed at 9:22 a.m.; back on the record 9:25 a.m.

Back to open Session at 9:25 a.m.

III. **Approval of the April 17, 2024 Minutes**

Member Nora Nomura moved to approve the minutes as written. Member Valerie Pacheco seconded the motion. Chair Sean Sanada is in favor. The Minutes are approved and are now part of the record.

IV. **9:26 a.m. Adjournment**