VETERANS' BONUS APPEAL BOARD

Tuesday, July 30, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

One Ashburton Place 12th Floor – Crane Conference Room Boston, MA 02108

MINUTES (OPEN SESSION)

Attendees: Matthew Landry, Assistant Attorney General, Attorney General's Designee Shannon McLaughlin, State Judge Advocate, Adjutant General's Designee Crystal Matthews, Deputy General Counsel, Treasurer's Designee

Also Present: Suzanne Murray, Legal Office Manager, Office of the State Treasurer

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Matthews at approximately 11:08 a.m.

Open Meeting Minutes

First item

On a motion by Ms. McLaughlin, seconded by Mr. Landry, the Veterans Bonus Appeal Board unanimously voted to approve the minutes from the open session of the previous meeting on July 11, 2019. No objections. All agree (3-0).

Second item

Review of draft order <u>In re: Joseph Boeggeman</u>, docket no. 2019-VB-005. Amend draft to indicate that he is in the custody of the Commonwealth. Paper submissions due November 1, 2019, with any objections by either party due December 3, 2019.

Third item <u>In re: Madson DeLima</u>, docket no. 2019-VB-004. Draft dismissal order due to failure to appear, pursuant to 801 CMR 1.02(10)(d).

<u>Executive Session to Discuss Litigation and Pending Appeals Before the Board</u> Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, section 21, the Board sought to meet in executive session for the purpose of discussing strategy and litigation with respect to the <u>Machado et al. v. Goldberg et al.</u> litigation and several pending appeals before the Board; as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the Board's litigation position.

Ms. Matthews noted that the Board would not reconvene in open session at the end of the executive session.

On a motion by Ms. McLaughlin, seconded by Ms. Matthews, the Board voted unanimously to enter executive session at approximately 11:44 a.m. No objections. All agree (3-0).

Documents Reviewed: Draft Open Session Meeting Minutes of July 11, 2019 Draft Order In re: Boeggeman, docket no. 2019-VB-005 Draft Dismissal In re: DeLima, docket no. 2019-VB-004