

**Minutes
Expert Witness Committee Meeting
Board of Medicine
Telephone Conference Call
September 3, 2008
12:00 Noon EST**

The meeting was called to order at 12:04 P.M.

Crystal Sanford called the role and it was determined that the committee had a quorum.

Attendees:

Carmel Barrau, Chair
H. Frank Farmer, MD
Trina Espinola, MD

Staff:

Crystal Sanford, Program Administrator
Ed Tellechea, Board Counsel
Gwendolyn Swatts, Prosecution Services
Melinda Gray, Board Staff
Gwyn Willis, Board Staff

Tab #1 Approved of Expert Witnesses:

- Carl Wayne Cruse, MD, General Surgery and Plastic Surgery
- Laurence Rosenberg, MD, General Surgery and Plastic Surgery
- Jeffrey S. Jacobs, MD, Anesthesiology

Action Taken:

After discussion, a motion was made to approve the applicants. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Tab #2 Opinion Review/Discussion:

At the April 2008, Full Board meeting, the Board members referred two expert witnesses to the Expert Witness Committee for a review of all of the expert witness opinions submitted by these expert witness physicians.

1. **Robert Reis, M.D.**
2. **Gordon Gilbert, M.D.**

The members requested information on how long the above expert witnesses have served. This will be referred to Prosecution Services for a response via email.

Action Taken:

After discussion, Dr. Farmer made a motion to allow these physicians to continue as Expert Witnesses. Dr. Espinola seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Prosecution Services will provide the length of service for the two expert witnesses.

New Business:

Dr. Barrau and Dr. Espinola recommended three possible expert witnesses.

Gwendolyn Swatts, from Prosecution Services will contact the physicians to provide them with application packages.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 P.M.