

**Testimony of Joseph J. Kaliko before the
Executive and Legislative Nominations Committee
April 14, 2016**

Good morning Senator Duff, Representative Janowski, Senator Kane, and Representative Buck-Taylor and members of the Executive and Legislative Nominations Committee.

My name is Joe Kaliko, and I appear before you today as Governor Malloy's nominee for a position on the Medical Examining Board as a public member.

I am married, live in Greenwich and practiced intellectual property law before I retired in 2003.

I appeared before this committee in 2011 having been nominated by the Governor to serve on the Board of the Connecticut Lottery Corporation. In 2013, I was appointed to the Board of Connecticut Innovations and also was appointed to join the Connecticut BioScience Innovation Fund (CBIF) Advisory Committee.

I am proud to say that my appointments to these positions have come from both sides of the aisle!

I am also an inventor. I obtained patents relating to Internet Gaming and more recently filed patent applications relating to highway toll systems and new "draw type" lottery games.

I testified before the Joint Committee on Planning and Development in 2011 regarding proposed legislation to provide volunteer first responders with enhanced municipal indemnity and defense protections. Working closely with Representative Fred Camillo and Senator Scott Frantz, the legislation became Public Act 11-243, signed into law by Governor Malloy in July of 2011.

Also in 2011, I co-authored a report to Secretary Barnes and to the Governor on the state of the state's intellectual property portfolio, presenting ideas for expanding and monetizing the state's IP.

Further in 2011, I prepared a report at the request of the Governor regarding the challenges in implementing Keno in Connecticut, along with recommendations for pursuing Keno.

I hope to bring to the Medical Examining Board the experience I gained from over 20 years of practicing law basing legal conclusions on evidence and applying that training to cases coming before the board.

I would deem it a privilege and as a primary goal, to help protect Connecticut's consumers of medical services; keeping in mind practitioners coming before the board are entitled to a full and fair hearing.

I would like to conclude by saying I am honored by, and appreciative of, Governor Malloy for his support, and for my appointment to this position as a member of the Medical Examining Board.

I will be happy to serve and I look forward to a positive and open working relationship with the members of the General Assembly. Thank you for this opportunity to speak to you today. I will be happy to answer any questions at this time.