

## Alabama Medical Cannabis Commission Meeting

### Minutes

February 13, 2025

The Alabama Medical Cannabis Commission met virtually on February 13, 2025. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rex Vaughn at 1:03 P.M.

Mr. James Harwell led the Commission's invocation. The roll was taken with a quorum present. Commission members present for the meeting were Chairman Rex Vaughn, Vice Chairman Sam Blakemore, Dr. William Saliski, Dr. Eric Jensen, Ms. Loree Skelton, Judge Charles Price, Ms. Taylor Hatchett, Mr. James Harwell, Dr. Mac Barnes, and Dr. Jimmie Harvey. Mr. Dwight Gamble, Dr. Angela Martin and Mr. Dion Robinson were absent from the meeting. Dr. William Saliski and Ms. Taylor Hatchett were not present for the roll call at the opening of the meeting; however, both Dr. Saliski and Ms. Hatchett arrived prior to the consideration of decision items and were present from that point forward.

Chairman Vaughn presented the minutes from the January 9, 2025, Commission meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Harwell, seconded by Dr. Blakemore, and received approval from the Commission.

Chairman Vaughn recognized Mr. Mark Wilkerson to provide a legal update. Mr. Wilkerson discussed pending litigation, including both the oral arguments held in the Alabama Court of Civil Appeals on February 11, 2025, and the status conference in Montgomery County Circuit Court on the same date. He also updated members on the mediation session ordered by Judge James Anderson. Mr. Wilkerson noted that the mediation remains open.

Chairman Vaughn moved to discuss decision items before the Commission. There were no new requests from licensees. The Commission considered the 2025 State Testing Laboratory License offering, the details of which were provided to Commissioners in advance of the meeting.

Chairman Vaughn recognized Mr. Justin Aday to brief the Commission on the license offering. Mr. Aday provided an overview of the application instructions as well as the offering timeline. Mr. Aday announced that the offering notice would be available on the AMCC website beginning on Friday, February 14, 2025. Dr. Harvey requested whether the Commission would be notifying the press about the offering. Mr. Aday answered that the offering would be announced through appropriate media channels. Following discussion, Chairman Vaughn opened the floor for motions. A motion to approve the 2025 State Testing Laboratory License offering was made by Dr. Blakemore and seconded by Ms. Hatchett. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion received approval by the Commission.

There was no old or new business and Chairman Vaughn asked Commissioners if there were further items to discuss. Ms. Skelton requested an update on SB 72, introduced in the Alabama Senate and sponsored by Senators Melson, Albritton, and Sessions. Mr. Aday informed the Commission that SB 72 had its first reading and was assigned to the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry. Mr. McMillan solicited input from Commission members on the bill.

Chairman Vaughn announced that the next meeting of the Commission would be on March 13, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Skelton, seconded by Dr. Jensen, and approved by the Commission. The meeting adjourned at 1:33 p.m.