## Alabama Medical Cannabis Commission Meeting

## Minutes

## May 15, 2025

The Alabama Medical Cannabis Commission met virtually on May 15, 2025. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rex Vaughn at 1:02 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, Mr. Dwight Gamble (Mr. Gamble was not present for roll call, but joined later during the meeting), Dr. Angela Martin, Dr. Eric Jensen, Judge Charles Price (Judge Price was not present for roll call, but joined later during the meeting), Ms. Taylor Hatchett, Mr. James Harwell, Dr. Mac Barnes, and Dr. Jimmie Harvey. Ms. Loree Skelton and Mr. Dion Robinson were absent from the meeting.

Chairman Vaughn presented the minutes from the April 10, 2025, Commission meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Harwell and seconded by Dr. Blakemore. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion received approval from the Commission.

Chairman Vaughn recognized Mr. Mark Wilkerson to provide a legal update. Mr. Wilkerson stated that following the March 7, 2025, Alabama Court of Civil Appeals Order, plaintiffs petitioned the Alabama Court of Civil Appeals for re-hearing and that petition was denied by the Alabama Court of Civil Appeals. Mr. Wilkerson spoke briefly on the plaintiff's petition to the Alabama Supreme Court for Writ of Certiorari of the decision of the Alabama Court of Civil Appeals.

Chairman Vaughn moved to discuss decision items before the Commission. First, Mr. Aday reviewed the activity related to the 2025 State Testing Laboratory License offering. Mr. Aday discussed how the license offering of the respective decision items fit into the offering timeline. The first decision item was the consideration of the proposed deficiency corrections for the one applicant for a lab license. The laboratory license applicant was sent a Notice of Deficiency on April 23, 2025. The lab applicant proposed corrections to the noted deficiencies. A motion to accept the proposed corrections for the applicant in the 2025, State Testing Laboratory License Offering was made by Mr. Harwell and seconded by Dr. Blakemore. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion received approval by the Commission.

Mr. Aday briefed the Commission on the second decision item before the Commission, whether to accept the lab applicant's corrected application as final and deem the application submitted. Mr. Aday reminded the Commissioners that if the application is deemed submitted, then the laboratory offering will proceed in accordance with the remaining items in the timeline. This would include a 30-day public comment period, an

opportunity for the applicant to appear before the Commission, and the Commission's decision to grant or deny a license. A motion to accept as final and deem submitted the application received in the 2025, State Testing Laboratory License Offering was made by Judge Price and seconded by Dr. Jensen. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion received approval by the Commission.

Mr. Aday informed the Commissioners that the lab applicant has no current pass/fail items noted and, therefore, no action on this item was necessary.

There was no old or new business and Chairman Vaughn asked Commissioners if there were further items to discuss. There being no further items to discuss, Chairman Vaughn reminded the Commission that there are two noticed meetings – both virtual -- in June, both of which are necessary for items in the timeline for the current lab license offering. The first is scheduled for June 12, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. The second is scheduled for June 17, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Judge Price, seconded by Dr. Jensen, and approved by the Commission. The meeting adjourned at 1:22 p.m.