

MINUTES
TENNESSEE MASSAGE LICENSURE BOARD
May 12, 2025

Time: 9:00 a.m. C.S.T.

Date: May 12, 2025

Location: 665 Mainstream Drive
HRB Conference Center
1st Floor, Iris Room
Nashville, TN 37243

Members Present:

Bill Mullins, Board Chairman
Alicia Azimipour, Secretary
Emily Newberry, Board Member
Amy Jones, Board Member
Virginia Yarbrough, Board Member

Staff Present:

Noranda French, Director
Tonya Wilkins, Massage Administrative Director 1
Michael Varnell, Office of General Counsel, Attorney

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 by Mr. Mullins. Ms. French conducted a roll call; Ms. Burke was not present. A quorum was established.

Minutes

Ms. Jones made a motion, seconded by Ms. Newberry, to approve February 3, 4, and 5, February 25, 2025, and April 21, 2025, minutes. The motion carried.

Office of Investigation Report:

Ms. Luther presented the report as follows:

year: 2025

License Type: 26 - MASSAGE LICENSURE BOARD

Complaint Activity	Dec	2024	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
New Complaints Opened			6	15	13	23					
Total Closed Complaints			5	9	16	1					
62 - Closed - Insufficient			0	5	4	0					
7 - Closed BIV,EMS,HCF,AW			1	0	2	1					
9 - Complaint Closed			1	4	2	0					
93 - Closed - Ltr of Concern			0	0	5	0					
94 - Closed - Warning Ltr			3	0	3	0					
Currently Open Complaints		42	43	49	46	68					

OGC Report:

Mr. Varnell presented the report as follows:

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

If you have a personal or financial interest in the outcome of any issue or matter before this board which may suggest a bias on your part, you are asked to state that interest on the record so that a determination can be made as to whether there exists a need for recusal. This is true whether the matter relates to a contested case, a rulemaking decision, an application, or any other matter before the Committee. You are reminded that it is the duty of this board to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Tennessee and that the administration of this solemn responsibility is dependent upon avoiding even the appearance of impropriety.

LITIGATION

Today, there are 6 contested final hearings.

PENDING COMPLAINTS

As of this Report, the total number of Massage Therapists being monitored for discipline is **141**.

- The total number on reprimand is **10** with terms.
- The total number on probation is **49** with terms.
- The total number on suspension is **33**.

- The total number that has had their license revoked or surrendered is **38**.
- The total number with a conditional license is **121**.

As of this Report, the total number of Massage Establishments being monitored for discipline is **34**.

- The total number on reprimand is **4** with terms.
- The total number on probation is **4** with terms.
- The total number on suspension is **2**.
- The total number that has had their license revoked or surrendered is **17**.
- The total number with a conditional license is **7**.
- The total number with a contingent license is **0**.

Agreed Orders:

1. Ginger Markli, LMT 12947 – Ms. Cochran presented the order. Ms. Markli practiced at an unlicensed massage establishment. After discussion from the board they voted to reprimand, Markli to pay \$1600.00 in civil penalties along with court cost not to exceed \$1000. Ms. Newberry made a motion to accept the order. Ms. Yarbrough seconded. The motion carried.
2. Marilyn Monti, LMT 9966 – Ms. Cochran presented the order. Ms. Monti practiced in an unlicensed massage establishment. After discussion from the board they voted to reprimand, Monti to pay \$1350 in civil penalties along with court cost not to exceed \$5000.00. Ms. Yarbrough made a motion to accept the order. Ms. Azimipour seconded. The motion carried.
3. Keith Marcum, LMT 14674 – Ms. Morgan presented the order. Mr. Marcum was found guilty of unethical and unprofessional conduct. After discussion by the board they voted to reprimand, Marcum will voluntarily surrender his license and pay fees not to exceed 9,000.00. Ms. Yarbrough made a motion to accept the order. Ms. Azimipour seconded. The motion carried.

Consent Orders:

1. Latoria Currie, LMT 5828 – Ms. Morgan presented the order. After discussion by the board Ms. Yarbrough made a motion to accept the order. Ms. Jones seconded. The motion carried.

Applicant Interviews:

1. Natural Alternatives Salon and Spa – ME 1958 – This establishment has been operating on a license that expired July 31, 2020. Sandra Hampton was present. After discussion by the board Ms. Newberry made a motion to approve a conditional license. Ms. Azimipour seconded. The motion carried.

2. Mane Attraction – ME 1776 – This establishment has been operating on a license that expired November 30, 2021. Amanda Dickens was present. After discussion by the board Ms. Yarbrough made a motion to approve a conditional license. Ms. Jones seconded. The motion carried.

3. Bolt Mountain LLC – ME 6691 – This establishment has been operating on an expired license since April 2024. Seth Bolt was present. After discussion by the board Ms. Jones made a motion to approve a conditional license. Ms. Yarbrough seconded. The motion carried.

4. Cory Atkins – LMT 15133 – Ms. Atkins was present. Ms. Atkins was previously denied. After discussion by the board Ms. Jones made a motion to approve a probationary license. Ms. Newberry seconded. The motion carried.

5. Jennifer Morris – LMT 10062 – Ms. Morris was present Ms. Morris has been operating on a license that expired July 1, 2023. After discussion by the board Ms. Jones made a motion to approve a conditional license. Ms. Yarbrough seconded. The motion carried.

6. Darcy Neihardt – LMT 1321 – Ms. Neihardt was present. Ms. Neihardt has been operating on a license that expired January 31, 2024. After discussion by the board Ms. Newberry made a motion to approve a conditional license. Ms. Jones seconded. The motion carried.

7. Darlene Newman – LMT 15296 – Ms. Newman was present. Ms. Newman’s criminal background check shows a charge for operating a sexually oriented business. After discussion by the board Ms. Newberry made a motion to approve a license. Ms. Yarbrough seconded. The motion carried.

TN Pap Report:

Teresa Phillips presented the report as follows:

			Massage Therapist	Establishment
Monitoring			3	0
		Regulatory	3	0
		Non-Regulatory	0	0
Referrals			3	0
	Referral Source	TDH Board Order	3	0

	Referral Reason	Arrest/conviction	2	0
		Diversion	1	0
Agreements Entered			2	0
Discharges			2	0
	Discharge Reason	Monitoring non-compliance – regulatory	1	0
		Monitoring completed	1	0

Compliance Order:

Mr. Varnell presented the following orders:

1. Long Ma – LMT 10729 – Mr. Ma was present. Ms. Hoggard was present to interpret for Mr. Ma. The board discussed that Ma has satisfactorily complied with the requirements of the licensure agreement such that the probation on the massage therapist license will be lifted and placed on unencumbered status Ms. Yarbrough made a motion to accept the order. Ms. Azimipour seconded. The motion carried.

2. Christopher Blackman – LMT 12252 – Mr. Blackman was present. The board discussed that Blackman has satisfactorily complied with the requirements of the licensure agreement such that the probation on the massage therapist license will be lifted and placed on unencumbered status. Ms. Jones made a motion to accept the order. Seconded by Ms. Yarbrough. The motion carried

3. Rishard Goodrum – LMT 3611 – Mr. Goodrum was present. The board discussed that Goodrum has satisfactorily complied with the requirements of the licensure agreement such that the probation on the massage therapist license will be lifted and placed on unencumbered status. Ms. Yarbrough made a motion to accept the order. Ms. Jones seconded. The motion carried.

4. Cristel Hibbs – LMT 14081 – Ms. Hibbs was present. The board discussed that Hibbs has satisfactorily complied with the requirements of the licensure agreement such that the probation on the massage therapist license will be lifted and placed on unencumbered status. Ms. Newberry made a motion to accept the order. Ms. Azimipour seconded. The motion carried.

5. Leticia Huff – LMT 14252 – Ms. Huff was present. The board discussed that Huff has satisfactorily complied with the requirements of the licensure agreement such that the probation on the massage therapist license will be lifted and placed on unencumbered status. Ms. Yarbrough made a motion to accept the order. Ms. Newberry seconded. The motion carried.

6. Frederick Dunlap – LMT 133 – Mr. Dunlap was present. The board discussed that Dunlap has satisfactorily complied with the requirements of the licensure agreement such that the probation on the massage therapist license will be lifted and placed on unencumbered status. Ms. Azimipour made a motion to accept the order. Ms. Jones seconded. The motion carried.

7. Peter Peterson – LMT 6817 – Mr. Peterson was present. The board discussed that Peterson has satisfactorily complied with the requirements of the licensure agreement such that the probation on the massage therapist license will be lifted and placed on unencumbered status. Ms. Yarbrough made a motion to accept the order. Ms. Newberry seconded. The motion carried.

8. Randy Helton – ME 3297 – Mr. Helton was present. The board discussed that Helton has satisfactorily complied with the requirements of the licensure agreement such that the probation on the massage therapist license will be lifted and placed on unencumbered status. Ms. Yarbrough made a motion to accept the order. Ms. Newberry seconded. The motion carried.

9. Randy Helton – LMT 11063 – Mr. Helton was present. The board discussed that Helton has satisfactorily complied with the requirements of the licensure agreement such that the probation on the massage therapist license will be lifted and placed on unencumbered status. Ms. Yarbrough made a motion to accept the order. Ms. Newberry seconded. The motion carried.

Ratifications of initial and reinstatement files.

A motion was made by Ms. Newberry, seconded by Ms. Jones to approve all newly licensed and closed massage therapist and massage establishments. The motion carried.

<u>LMT Initial</u>	Donn, Shanna	Ary, Leah
McCellan, Erin	Scott, Zoie	Robison, Leah
Howell, Elise	Hodge, Kaleigh	Knotts, Briley
Zhao, Ningshen	Karavan, Jessica	Lewis, Miranda
Warren, Lauren	Starr, Satya	Barcas, Lauren
Graham, Traci	Ali, anastasia	Sharrett, Rebecca
Wishman, Olivia	Dixon, Reagan	Morgan, Camdyn
Johnson, Angela	Hodges, Carrie	Kruger, Brandon
Vincent, Dori	Hopper, Nathaniel	Baltz, Brenda
Yang, Yankun	Holcomb, Joan	Konrad, Lucinda
Bronson, Jeremy	Larin, Douglas	Bulktemeier, Malinda
Hartley, Marshal	Hunt, Terra	Foley, Kristoffer
Wilkins, Grace	Hill, Koshia	Varga, Julia
Helsdon, Daniel	Olvera, Luis	Carver, Racheal

Taylor, Lazyreia
Vickers, Beverly
Roberts, Tiffany
Exley, Emily
Schou, Tracy
Kline, Delta
Stallings, Katherine
Moon. Shaye
Blanks, Grace
Wagner, Makenzi
McDonald, Annie
Sullivan, Ty
Jones, Michael
Cook, amanda
Botwin, Myra
Hollis, Jayden
Morales-Martin
Reyes, Carmelo
O'Brien, Shelby
Custer, Michael
Sparks, Leah
Rowe, Aaron
Li, Yanhua
Starr, Tisha
Parrott, Hayley
Wallace, Casey
Chung, Samuel
Baumgardner, Ella
Suarez, Diana
Lash, Zoe
McDaniel, Angie

Leitz, Mary
McGinnis, Matthew
Turner, Gracelynn
Lawson, Heather
Gastineau, Sherry
Yang, Wei
Jennings, Brittanie

LMT Reinstatements
Butler, John
Vanover, Courtney
Cotten, Taylar
Richardson, Rochelle
Sandberg, Regina
Brown, April
Rotoni, Anna
Ryan, Ashley
Fairhope, Faith
Huff, Jared
Hall, Heather
Penny, Ross
Pell, Brandon
Richardson, Kimberly
Medlock, Helen
Bonacic, Melissa
Harrison, Phylica
Sweetman, Brandon
Stiner, Ashley
Valorani, Patricia
Wilde, Dustin
Allen, Te'lor

Masters, Jacqueline
Harrison, Stefanie
Bennett-Morgan, Erin
Pollett, Stacy
Oaklee. Mirian
Campbell, Erin
Itz, Katherine
Whitaker, Pamela
Coia, Tawnya
Cambrea, Michael
Stancil, Rachel
Lonow, Terrie
D'Innocenzo, Kara
Kinsey, Lisa
Abramov, Nicole
Yanli, Du

LMT Closed
Marquardt, Kelsey -
15195
Cornetto, Angleine -
15202
Major, Juliann - 15229
Zhang, Sunan - 15241
Dunavant, Dana - 1382
Woody, Brittany - 15248
Li, Yanyan - 15254
Dillard. Lauren – 15235

Establishment Initial
KJ Massage
Massage by Sav

Willow Salon and Boutique	A METICULOUS MASSAGE	VILLAGE SALON
Sabrina Dannell Wood	LUNA THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE	HANNAH STEWARD
Be Well Massage Therapy	DASEIN LLC, DBA DASEIN HEALING	THERAPEUTIC HANDS MASSAGE, LLC
Manifest Healing	LYDIA BRIANNA MEI-ZHEN ALDERSON, LMT	MUSCLE MEDIC
Charming Sheep Care Foot and Massage	KULA	HOLISTIC LMT, LLC
Emerge Massage	RENEGADE YOGA INSTITUTE	TRANQUIL LOTUS MASSAGE THERAPY
Moonflower Massage	SAMBAS THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE, LLC	STATE OF MIND THERAPUETICS
Radiant Release	L2	MONARCH COLLECTIVE
Woodlawn Massage and Wellness	OAK RIDGE SPORTS & THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE	GET BETTER LLC
All in Therapy LLC	FLX MASSAGE THERAPY, LLC	WILDE ROOTS MASSAGE THERAPY
Hands Team	MOVING-FREELY	MLC WELLNESS AT THE GULCH, LLC
Kameran Nation, Licensed Massage Therapist	RED SUN TN LLC	EMBER GLOW THERAPY
Focal Massage LLC	A1 ENTERPRISES (DBA: EAST TENNESSEE MUSC	BRIDGES OF WAYNE COUNTY
KINESTHETIC TOUCH	EAMON HOSEY LMT	PEACE FOOT MASSAGE
MEGHAN CARTER BEAUTY + WELLNESS	ELEVATE TOTAL WELLNESS LLC	ROSEWATER WELLNESS SPA
BEAUMONT MED SPA	OMNIMASSAGE & BEAUTY BAR	APPALACHIAN HEALER MASSAGE AND REIKI
ELISE HOWELL MASSAGE & WELLNESS LLC	VISIONARY TOUCH MASSAGE	WEST TOWN MASSAGE
MASSAGE KNOT FORGOTTEN	FLOURISH WELLNESS CENTER	BEAUTY BOX
GLOWING BODY HEALING ARTS, LLC, DBA "THE	REVIVE THERAPEUTICS	MASSAGE @ THE FACIAL ROOM
LINDYNE BAILEY LMT		FOCAL MASSAGE
FLOATING LOTUS WELLNESS CENTER, LLC		SHAVE N ESCAPE, INC
M2		SOUL SPA

**Establishment
Reinstatement**

	KNOWBULL LIFE LLC Maytree massage	EVERGREEN YOGA CENTER
How I Knead You	KATHERINE ITZ	Closed Establishment
Kneading Together Massage and Wellness	IN TOUCH THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE	Relax Massage Massage Therapy
Mojo Massage Therapy	Revive You massage Therapy	ATHLEISURE MASSAGE THERAPY
Shear Image Salon and Therapeutic Massage	A LEGIT MASSAGE THERAPIST	RHAPSODY SPA PINE MASSAGE
AZALEA MASSAGE		

Agreed Citations

CE Violations

1. Jacqueline McDonald, LMT 11559
2. Michelle Audrea Edwards, LMT 13361
3. Misty White, LMT 7491
4. Sheri Lynn Gillum, LMT 10683
5. Jennifer Brown, LMT 9988
6. Jaqueline Priscilla Billingsley, LMT 11983
7. Dovie Jean Williams, LMT 2459
8. Chatae Yvonne Coffee, LMT 5129
9. angelica Marin, LMT 10604

After discussion by the board Ms. Newberry made a motion to accept agreed citations. Ms. Azimipour seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Lapse License

1. Dianna Lee, LMT 10656
2. Dustin Wilde, LMT 13055
3. Jared Huff, LMT 13825
4. Jennifer Whitson, LMT 10720
5. Jerry Lee, LMT 10644

- 6. John Butler, LMT 8848
- 7. Kneading Together Massage and Wellness LLC, ME 4479
- 8. Madis Swicord, LMT 605
- 9. Lisa Kinsey, LMT 8152
- 10. Evergreen Yoga Center, ME 2216

After discussion a motion was made by Ms. Jones seconded by Ms. Yarbrough to accept all agreed citations. The motion carried.

Administrative Report:

Ms. Wilkins presented the report as follows:

STATISTICAL REPORT - This report runs from January 24, 2025 – April 30, 2025

THERAPISTS	ESTABLISHMENTS
Jan 2025	Jan 2025
Newly Licensed – 12	Newly Licensed – 6
Reinstate Applications – 2	Reinstate Applications – 3
Retired – 10	Retired – 4
New Applications – 14	New Applications – 6
ran from 26th-31st of each month	ran from 26th-31st of each month

THERAPISTS	ESTABLISHMENTS
Feb 2025	Feb 2025
Newly Licensed – 16	Newly Licensed – 18
Reinstate Applications – 14	Reinstate Applications – 3
Retired – 9	Retired – 5
New Applications – 16	New Applications – 18
ran from 1st-28th of each month	ran from 1st-28th of each month

THERAPISTS	ESTABLISHMENTS
March 2025	March 2025
Newly Licensed – 20	Newly Licensed – 22
Reinstate Applications – 10	Reinstate Applications – 1
Retired – 8	Retired – 6
New Applications – 20	New Applications – 22
ran from 1st-31st of each month	ran from 1st-31st of each month

THERAPISTS	ESTABLISHMENTS
April 2025	April 2025
Newly Licensed – 30	Newly Licensed – 20
Reinstate Applications – 12	Reinstate Applications – 5
Retired – 4	Retired – 6
New Applications – 30	New Applications – 20
ran from 1st-30th of each month	ran from 1st-30th of each month

CE Waiver/Course Approval:

1. Gait Happens – Functional gait Assessment Level One (In-Person) – 16 hours course# TN0010225-10
2. Lawanda Allen – Tennessee Law (In-Person) – 2 hours course # TN0010225-10
3. Pam Dent – Tennessee Law (In-Person) – 2 hours course # TN0010325-13
4. Terri Cook – Essential Oils and Aromatherapy (In-Person) – 16 hours course # TN0010225-11
5. Wil Van Winkle – Massage Cupping (In-Person) – 8 hours course # TN0010325-14
6. Amanda parker – TN Law (live webinar – 2 hours course # TN0010425-15
7. Amanda Parker – TN Law (in-Person) – 2 hours course # TN0010425-16
8. Lauren Laurino – TN Law and Ethics (Live Webinar) course # TN0010525-17

After discussion by the Board Ms. Yarbrough made a motion, seconded by Ms. Newbery to approve all courses. The motion carried.

Adjourn:

Mr. Mullins adjourned the meeting at 11:11.