

MINUTES TENNESSEE MASSAGE LICENSURE BOARD

SUMMARY SUSPENSION (Teleconference)

JULY 30, 2025

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Time: 9:00 AM cst

Location: Virtual WebEx Meeting
665 Mainstream Drive
HRB- 1st Floor, Iris Room
Nashville TN 37243

Members Present: Emily Newberry, LMT
Amy Jones, Citizen Member
Alicia Azimipour, Citizen Member
Marvis Burke, LMT

Members Absent: Virginia P Yarbrough, LMT
William Mullins, LMT Chairperson

Staff Present: Noranda French, Unit 2 Director
Tonya Wilkins, Board Director
Michael Varnell, Board Attorney- Office of General Counsel
Regan Cothron, Board Attorney- Office of General Counsel
Paetria Morgan, Board Attorney- Office of General Counsel
Francine Baca-Chavez, Board Attorney- Office of General Counsel
Emily Welch, RBAA2

Guests: Deb Honeycutt, Court Reporter

Tonya Wilkins begins the meeting and calls roll call. A quorum is established. Tonya Wilkins conducted a roll call vote to ensure that each participant was connected, and that each participant could hear all responses. Then she provided the requirements and justification for an informal electronic meeting. Marvis Burke motioned to hear the case; Amy Jones seconded. Motion carries Paetria Morgan confirms that all board members have received all required materials.

Cornelias Anderson LMT 14459:

All board members confirmed they have read the facts of the case, and all confirm they do not have prior knowledge of this case. Paetria Morgan, Senior Associate General Counsel, reviews case and establishes that the case is of a sexual nature against M.A. The State presented evidence that Cornelias Anderson engaged in unprofessional and unethical conduct while working as a massage therapist at The NOW Massage by repeatedly touching a client's vagina during a massage on March 30, 2025. Paetria Morgan states that the license should be summarily suspended. Emily Newberry motions to adopt proposed order as written. Amy Jones seconded. Motion passes. Emily Newberry motions to summarily suspend Anderson's license and accept order as written. Amy Jones seconded. Motion passes.

Another role call is performed by Tonya Wilkins. All board members are present, and a quorum is established. Emily Newberry motioned to proceed with case. Alicia Azimpour seconded. Motion passes.

Guilherme Sauder Pinto LMT 14363:

Regan Cothron, Senior Associate General Counsel confirms all board members have received all documents. Marvis Burke is chair for this case. Cothron enters all exhibits into the record. All board members have confirmed they have read the case and none of prior knowledge of the case. Cothron reviews case and states that case is of sexual nature against K.S. The State presented evidence that Guilherme Pinto engaged in sexual and sexualizing behavior when massaging a client and is not safe to practice massage therapy. All board members review the exhibits. Emily Newberry motions to summarily suspend the license and accept orders as written. Alicia Azimipour seconded. Motion passes.

Meeting is adjourned 10:20AM