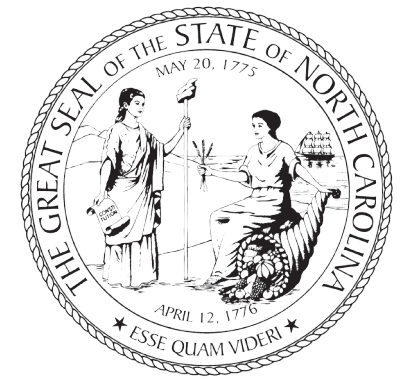


NORTH CAROLINA BOARD of MASSAGE & BODYWORK THERAPY



Regulating the practice of massage and bodywork therapy and its educational institutions, for the protection of the public.

2019 NEWSLETTER

Message from the Board Chair, Nancy Harrell, LMBT

I would like to begin by taking this opportunity to thank the NCBMBT staff members for the outstanding work they have done this past year. As always, it is their daily dedication, organization and effort that makes the work of the Board members possible. We could not do what we do without them and we appreciate their commitment to helping move us forward.

I would also like to take this space, in what will be my last “Message from the Chair”, to speak on the opportunities that massage and bodywork therapists have for continuing education. It is my hope that all of the LMBT’s in North Carolina see themselves as professionals in their field and are proud of their chosen career. As professionals, I hope that the importance of continuing our education is understood and seen as an opportunity to learn and grow and improve ourselves along with our ability to help our clients. One of the best ways to avoid or overcome “burnout” is to learn a new modality, improve your skills or advance your knowledge of a chosen topic.

In 2018 new Rules and Regulations were approved that expand LMBT’s ability to complete their continuing education requirements and beginning in 2020, therapists and bodyworkers will be able to begin including these opportunities into their CE portfolio.

In addition to being able to earn CE credit by successfully completing a live or online massage and bodywork therapy class, as we have in the past, LMBTs may now do the following as well:

- Academic Coursework (this has been approved in the past but the language has been expanded and updated)
- Small Group Study
- Participation as a mentor or mentee in a Mentorship Agreement
- Professional Writing
- Presentation and Instruction
- Professional Meetings and Activities
- Research and Grants

If you select one of the new opportunities for CE credit, please make certain that you make yourself familiar with the specific requirements and how many CE credits you will earn through successful completion. This information can be found in the Board Rules and Regulations, 21 NCAC 30 .0701.

I hope everyone has a Happy and Healthy 2020!

NCBMBT’s Top Reminders for all LMBT’s

1. Please keep the Board informed of any changes to your mailing address and email address so you will be sure to receive all pertinent information, such as renewal reminders, newsletters, etc.
2. For all up-to-date information, as well as Board contact information and/or questions regarding licensure, please refer to the NCBMBT website at www.bmbt.org.
3. The Board meets every other month on the 13th floor of the Wells Fargo Capital Center, 150 Fayetteville Street, Raleigh, NC 27601. The current meeting schedule is posted on the website under ‘Board Information’. All Board meetings are open to the public.
4. You can file a complaint online by going to the File A Complaint tab on the Board’s website.
5. Online renewals are required beginning August 1, 2019. You can access the online renewal system on the Board’s website under the Renew Your License tab.
6. All online renewals end on December 31 at midnight. Any renewals submitted past this date will need to be mailed and include a letter stating whether or not you have been practicing massage and bodywork therapy in NC since your license expired.
7. To keep your license current, all LMBTs must complete 24 hours of continuing education, including a minimum of 3 hours of ethics. You may take a maximum of 12 hours of distance learning and a maximum of 8 hours of business management, should you choose to do so.
8. Any LMBT who has completed all of the required CEU’s during the year of their renewal may apply any additional CEU’s taken after August 1 of that year to their next renewal period, as long as they were not submitted for the prior renewal period.
9. You can verify a LMBT’s license is valid in NC by accessing the Board’s website, clicking on the Verify A License tab and searching by their last name or license number.
10. Licensees are required to notify the Board within 15 days if they know a person is practicing without a license, is violating the Practice Act/Rules and Regulations, is charged with certain criminal offenses, or is a defendant in a civil lawsuit related to the practice of massage and bodywork therapy.
11. Licensees are required to display their Board-issued original license at the licensees’ primary place of practice. Licensees providing massage and bodywork therapy outside of their primary place of practice must have a Board-issued original license or wallet card available for inspection.
12. Licensees shall maintain documentation for each session, including the date of service, needs assessment, plan of care, observations made, and actions by the licensee.

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NEW BOARD MEMBER

The Honorable Tim Moore, Speaker of the House, appointed Robert Reeves of Mecklenburg County to the position previously held by Renee' Hays. His term began July 9, 2018 and will end June 30, 2021. Governor Roy Cooper appointed Ella Price of Wake County to the position previously held by Dianne Layden. Her term began on September 25, 2019 and will end June 30, 2022.

Robert Reeves:

Robert Reeves is a native of Charlotte, North Carolina. He graduated from South Carolina State University, with a Bachelor of Science degree in business and a minor in biology. After graduation, he was employed with the Charlotte Mecklenburg school system for several years. Robert always knew he had a passion for therapeutic work, after his experience as an athletic trainer at South Carolina State University so he decided to pursue a career in massage therapy. He attended Southeastern Institute where he graduated as valedictorian in August 2014. Following graduation, he was extended an opportunity to practice at Massage Envy in Charlotte where he developed an even greater love in his field by learning and experiencing new modalities and listening to client's feedback about his talents. The fact that those clients put their trust in his capable hands has served as an invaluable confirmation to continue his methodologies of massage therapy practices. Currently, his favorite modality is craniosacral therapy. In his spare time, he enjoys watching the Panthers, Patriots and Tarheel basketball as well as listening to classical music. He also enjoys spending time with this family and friends and reading literature, especially material in massage and bodywork therapy.

Ella Price:

Ella M. Price serves as a public member of the Board. Ms. Price graduated from North Carolina State University with a B.S. Degree in Business. After graduating, she started her professional career in finance and accounting. While working, Ms. Price felt strongly about helping those individuals less fortunate and giving back to the community by volunteering with hospice facilities and local soup kitchens.

Ella Price worked with the GlaxoSmithKline division responsible for implementing settlement-mandated pharmaceutical compliance regulations and programs designed to promote accountability and transparency in GlaxoSmithKline's business practices.

Following GlaxoSmithKline's 2014 corporate restructuring, Ms. Price joined the Capital Law Group as a Compliance Officer. Her responsibilities include overseeing client financial and legal compliance, along with preparation and submission of various filings to meet federal, state, and local regulatory requirements.

NEW BOARD OFFICERS

The Board, at its June 2019 meeting, elected the following officers:

Chair – Nancy Harrell

Vice Chair – Kim Turk

Treasurer – Rachael Goolsby

KEEP INFORMATION UP TO DATE

To optimize communications between the Board and licensees, please update your current email address at the Update Your Record tab on the Board's website www.bmbt.org.

2020 BOARD MEETING DATES

February 20, 2020
April 23, 2020
June 18, 2020
August 20, 2020
October 22, 2020
December 10, 2020

Board meetings are held in the large conference room on the 13th floor of the Wells Fargo Capitol Center at 150 Fayetteville St., Raleigh, NC 27601. Meetings begin at 10:00 a.m. and are open to the public. There is a 15 minute period of Public Comment at the end of each meeting. Those interested in addressing the Board during Public Comment must sign up in person before or during the meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Licenses currently active..... 9,168
Licenses issued
through 12/31/2019..... 18,689

CBD Oil

Many therapists and massage and bodywork therapy establishments have been calling and writing to find out if they can use or sell CBD oil in their massage and bodywork therapy practices and businesses. The Board has been advising LMBTs and business owners that the application of CBD oil in North Carolina is not legal for LMBTs and is not legal for sale by establishments.

The Board is concerned about the efficacy of CBD oils. What would be the proper, optimal dosing of CBD for each client? What studies show the percentage of CBD to carrier base to be effective? If a LMBT is seeing six clients a day, and each client asks for CBD infused products to be used, what is the effect on the therapist using this product six hours a day? There are many unanswered questions.

This is not a question about whether the Board believes CBD would be beneficial to clients of massage and bodywork therapy. This is the Board advising therapists and businesses about the legality of using or selling this product at this time.

Mr. Charles Wilkins, Legal Counsel to the Board, has advised:

I am aware of the passage of the Federal Farm Bill. The Farm Bill gives the states the power to legalize hemp products, but, at this time, I am not aware of any statute or case law in North Carolina that provides that CBD oil is legal to use as a lotion in a massage and bodywork therapy session in North Carolina or is legal for an LMBT to sell in North Carolina.

In an attempt to clarify the CBD questions, on January 9, 2019, the Board requested an opinion from the North Carolina Attorney General's Office and made several follow-up requests. We now have a February 4, 2020 response from Tien Cheng, Assistant NC Attorney General, which stated:

Thank you for your January 9, 2019 email and subsequent emails on the questions "whether 'hemp based CBD oil' is legal to use as a lotion in a massage and bodywork therapy session in North Carolina or is legal for [a licensed massage and bodywork therapist] to sell in North Carolina." Due to pending and evolving legislation, the Attorney General's Office is unable to provide the North Carolina Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy with an advisory letter; however, we would like to share the following information:

The North Carolina General Assembly is considering Senate Bill 315 (v.10), which if passed in its current edition would clarify the legal landscape of hemp products, including CBD oil (cannabidiol), in North Carolina. There is also language in SB315 (v.10), Section 2.(b) to amend Schedule VI of the North Carolina Controlled Substances Act. The 2018 U.S. Farm Bill has already exempted hemp from the term marijuana (marijuana) and THC in hemp from the Federal Controlled Substances Act. See Pub. L. 115-334, Sec. 12608. You can follow the status of SB315 at <https://www.ncleg.gov/BillLookUp/2019/sb315>.

On the civil side, cannabidiol and other hemp products will still have to comply with the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFD&CA) and also the North Carolina Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. The Federal Food and Drug Administration has indicated that cosmetic products including cannabis and cannabis-derived ingredients still need to comply with the FFD&CA, including that they cannot be adulterated or misbranded. (<https://www.fda.gov/news-events/public-health-focus/fda-regulation-cannabis-and-cannabis-derived-products-questions-and-answers#cosmetics>).

Again, thank you for your inquiry, but due to pending and evolving legislation, the Attorney General's Office is unable to provide an advisory letter.

As you can see from the above, the NC Attorney General's Office, due to pending and evolving legislation, is unable to provide an opinion or an advisory letter. It does seem clear that any cannabidiol and other hemp product used or sold by a LMBT or an establishment will have to comply with the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFD&CA) and also the North Carolina Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.

Charles Wilkins further advises:

An LMBT is required to abide by local, State and Federal laws. An LMBT is not permitted to use or sell substances that are illegal. Until North Carolina passes a law that says CBD oil is legal to use in a lotion in a massage and bodywork therapy session in North Carolina or is legal for an LMBT to sell in North Carolina I cannot legally advise the Board that CBD oil is legal to use as a lotion in a massage and bodywork therapy session in North Carolina or is legal for an LMBT to sell in North Carolina.

The Board hopes to provide more information when either a North Carolina court or the North Carolina legislature provides guidance.

Licensure of Establishments

The North Carolina Legislature passed Senate Bill 548 in July 2017 that provided the NCBMBT is responsible for overseeing and licensing establishments that provide massage and bodywork therapy services. In 2018, the North Carolina Rules Review Commission approved Rules for the Board to implement its licensing of massage and bodywork therapy establishments. After consideration by the 2019 North Carolina Legislature the rules became effective November 15, 2019.

An Establishment license will require persons operating a business that provides massage and bodywork therapy services to meet the requirements set forth in Senate Bill 548 and the Rules of the Board to ensure the safe, licensed and effective practice of massage and bodywork therapy. Some of those requirements are:

1. Adequate, safe and sanitary facilities
2. Compliance with building, fire, safety and health codes
3. Employees or independent contractors are currently licensed by the Board

The Board is in the process of implementing the Legislature's mandate to license establishments that provide massage and bodywork therapy services to the public. An Establishment license is expected to cost \$150 and will be effective for a two-year period. It is anticipated the necessary forms and online licensing process will be ready by August/September 2020 and licensing will begin shortly thereafter.

Updates to Continuing Education

Effective November 15, 2019, the Board amended Rules .0701, .0702 and adopted Rule .0703 to expand and clarify continuing education changes and opportunities for LMBTs. You can review the amended rules by going to the Practice Act and Rules tab on the Board's website www.bmbt.org.

Other than various word changes in Rule .0702, the Board amended Rule .0701 to add more opportunities, in addition to continuing education courses and academic coursework, to obtain continuing education as provided below:

- Small Group Study
- Mentorship Agreement
- Professional Writing
- Presentation and Instruction
- Professional Meetings and Activities
- Research and Grants

Please make sure to review Rule .0701 for details on the approved continuing education, the number of contact hours that can be counted and required documentation for each category.

Rule .0703 was adopted to define the scope of qualified activities for continuing education which "shall be related to roles and responsibilities in massage and bodywork therapy and serve to protect the public by enhancing the licensee's continuing competence."

Board staff is working with IT to update the current online CE system. Once it is updated, LMBTs will be notified by email so these opportunities can be submitted for the 2020 license renewal period and all future renewal periods.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE BOARD FROM JANUARY 1, 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019

The Board is authorized to investigate complaints and institute disciplinary actions, as set forth in Section .0900 of the Rules.

HEARINGS BEFORE THE BOARD:

Elvin Fields – Following a hearing on February 15, 2019, upon engaging in inappropriate sexual contact with a client during a massage and bodywork therapy session, the Board Ordered that Mr. Fields' license be revoked and he pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$1000.

ShiQi Lu - Following a hearing on February 14, 2019, upon aiding and abetting illegal massage and bodywork therapy activity, the Board Ordered that Ms. Lu's license be revoked and she pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$750.

Christopher Belsito - Following a hearing on April 18, 2019, upon engaging in inappropriate sexual contact with a client during a massage and bodywork therapy session, the Board Ordered that Mr. Belsito's license be revoked and he pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Xiaodi Fehler - Following a hearing on April 18, 2019, upon aiding and abetting illegal massage and bodywork therapy activity, the Board Ordered that Ms. Fehler's license be revoked and she pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$1000.

Benjamin Reckendorf - Following a hearing on April 18, 2019, upon engaging in inappropriate sexual contact with clients during massage and bodywork therapy sessions, the Board Ordered that Mr. Reckendorf's license be revoked and he pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Cori Brown - Following a hearing on June 20, 2019, upon failing to assess the needs of the client and obtain written informed consent, the Board Ordered that Mr. Brown's license be reprimanded, he complete additional CE hours and he pay a civil penalty of \$250 and costs of \$250.

Dominic Mouzon - Following a hearing on June 20, 2019, upon failing to provide services he had the training and experience to provide, failing to provide treatment that delivered the safety, comfort and privacy of the client, failing to assess the needs and obtain written informed consent, failing to maintain documentation and failing to explain expected draping procedures, the Board Ordered that Mr. Mouzon be placed on probation for one year, he complete additional CE hours and he pay a civil penalty of \$500 and costs of \$500.

Dale Snider - Following a hearing on June 20, 2019, upon transferring funds from his clients' account into his personal account and failing to report criminal charges and convictions to the Board, the Board Ordered that Mr. Snider's license be revoked and he pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Eric Stewart - Following a hearing on June 20, 2019, upon engaging in inappropriate sexual contact with a client during a massage and bodywork therapy session, the Board Ordered that Mr. Stewart's license be revoked and he pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$1000.

Dante Rossi - Following a hearing on June 20, 2019, upon engaging in inappropriate sexual contact with a client during a massage and bodywork therapy session, the Board Ordered that Mr. Rossi's license be revoked and he pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

John Angles - Following a hearing on August 15, 2019, upon failing to deliver treatment that ensured the client's safety, comfort and privacy, failing to obtain informed consent, failing to communicate with the client about his techniques and draping procedures and failing to communicate with the client about her needs and expectations, the Board Ordered that Mr. Angles' license be suspended and at the conclusion of the suspension, be placed on probation for two years, he complete additional CE hours and he pay a civil penalty of \$2000 and costs of \$1500.

Ezra Davis - Following a hearing on August 15, 2019, upon failing to deliver treatment that ensured the client's comfort and privacy, the Board Ordered that Mr. Davis' license be placed on probation for two years, he complete additional CE hours and he pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$750.

Richard Taylor - Following a hearing on August 15, 2019, upon failing to deliver treatment that ensured the client's safety, comfort and privacy, the Board Ordered that Mr. Taylor's license be placed on probation for two years, he complete additional CE hours and he pay a civil penalty of \$750 and costs of \$750.

Steven Thompson - Following a hearing on October 17, 2019, upon engaging in inappropriate sexual contact with clients during massage and bodywork therapy sessions, the Board Ordered that Mr. Thompson's license be revoked and he pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Michael Cheatham - Following a hearing on December 12, 2019, upon engaging in inappropriate sexual contact with a client during a massage and bodywork therapy session, the Board Ordered that Mr. Cheatham's license be revoked and he pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$1000.

CONSENT ORDERS:

Na An - Prior to a hearing scheduled for February 14, 2019, Ms. An entered into a Consent Order for aiding and abetting illegal massage and bodywork therapy at her place of business wherein her license was revoked and she pay costs of \$500.

Vincent Asanti - Prior to a hearing scheduled for February 14, 2019, Mr. Asanti entered into a Consent Order for practicing massage and bodywork therapy prior to being licensed wherein his license was placed on probation for one year and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Alberto Barrera - Prior to a hearing scheduled for February 14, 2019, Mr. Barrera entered into a Consent Order for practicing massage and bodywork therapy without a current license wherein he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$500 and costs of \$200.

Freddy Barrios - Prior to a hearing scheduled for February 14, 2019, Mr. Barrios entered into a Consent Order for failing to complete documentation for clients in 2018 wherein his license was placed on probation for two years and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$750 and costs of \$250.

Mario Butler - Prior to a hearing scheduled for February 14, 2019, Mr. Butler entered into a Consent Order for failing to deliver treatment that ensured the client's safety, comfort and privacy wherein his license was placed on probation for two years and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$500 and costs of \$250.

Corbett Estep - Prior to a hearing scheduled for February 14, 2019, Mr. Estep entered into a Consent Order for failing to deliver treatment that ensured the client's safety, comfort and privacy wherein his license was placed on probation for two years and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$500 and costs of \$250.

John Testa - Prior to a hearing scheduled for February 14, 2019, Mr. Testa entered into a Consent Order for failing to deliver treatment that ensured the client's safety, comfort and privacy wherein his license was placed on probation for two years and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$500 and costs of \$250.

Jonathan Fleming - Prior to a hearing scheduled for February 14, 2019, Mr. Fleming entered into a Consent Order for failing to deliver treatment that ensured the client's safety, comfort and privacy wherein his license was placed on probation for one year and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$500 and costs of \$250.

Raquel Hainsel - Prior to a hearing scheduled for April 18, 2019, Ms. Hainsel entered into a Consent Order for practicing massage and bodywork therapy without a current license wherein she agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Steven Ladd II - Prior to a hearing scheduled for April 18, 2019, Mr. Ladd entered into a Consent Order for practicing massage and bodywork therapy without a current license wherein he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$500 and costs of \$200.

Eugene Perry - Prior to a hearing scheduled for April 18, 2019, Mr. Perry entered into a Consent Order for practicing massage and bodywork therapy without a current license wherein he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Andrew Sylvestri - Prior to a hearing scheduled for April 18, 2019, Mr. Sylvestri entered into a Consent Order for practicing massage and bodywork therapy without a current license wherein he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Nancy Barnett - Prior to a hearing scheduled for June 20, 2019, Ms. Barnett entered into a Consent Order for practicing massage and bodywork therapy without a current license wherein she agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Thomas Holland - Prior to a hearing scheduled for June 20, 2019, Mr. Holland entered into a Consent Order for practicing massage and bodywork therapy without a current license wherein he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Sinnai James - Prior to a hearing scheduled for June 20, 2019, Mr. James entered into a Consent Order for practicing massage and bodywork therapy without a current license wherein he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Ryan Mansfield - Prior to a hearing scheduled for June 20, 2019, Mr. Mansfield entered into a Consent Order for failing to deliver treatment that ensured the client's safety, comfort and privacy wherein his license was placed on probation for one year and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$500 and costs of \$250.

Gene Murray - Prior to a hearing scheduled for June 20, 2019, Mr. Murray entered into a Consent Order for aiding and abetting illegal massage and bodywork therapy at his place of business wherein his license was placed on probation for two years and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Thomas Barrow - Prior to a hearing scheduled for August 15, 2019, Mr. Barrow entered into a Consent Order for providing sexual services at his place of business wherein his license was revoked and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Jonathan Dodrill - Prior to a hearing scheduled for August 15, 2019, Mr. Dodrill entered into a Consent Order for failing to provide draping in a manner that ensured the comfort and safety of the client and engaged in inappropriate conversation wherein his license was placed on probation for one year and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$250 and costs of \$250.

Sean Kim - Prior to a hearing scheduled for August 15, 2019, Mr. Kim entered into a Consent Order for aiding and abetting illegal massage and bodywork therapy wherein his license was revoked and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Stephen Oxendine - Prior to a hearing scheduled for August 15, 2019, Mr. Oxendine entered into a Consent Order for engaging in inappropriate sexual contact with a client wherein his license was revoked

and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Jessica Ryan - Prior to a hearing scheduled for August 15, 2019, Ms. Ryan entered into a Consent Order for failing to report that she was cited for a misdemeanor violation wherein her license was revoked and she agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Matthew Delsignore - Prior to a hearing scheduled for August 15, 2019, Mr. Delsignore entered into a Consent Order for engaging in inappropriate sexual contact with a client wherein his license was revoked and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Larissa Brito - Prior to a hearing scheduled for October 17, 2019, Ms. Brito entered into a Consent Order for failing to ensure the safety and comfort of a client during a hot stone massage when the stones caused a burn and blister wherein her license was placed on probation for one year and she agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$500 and costs of \$250.

Jeffrey Golden - Prior to a hearing scheduled for October 17, 2019, Mr. Golden entered into a Consent Order for being under the influence of alcohol and engaging in inappropriate conversation with a client wherein his license was suspended and he agreed to undergo treatment for possible alcohol dependence and pay a civil penalty of \$500 and costs of \$250.

Alexander McCorkle - Prior to a hearing scheduled for October 17, 2019, Mr. McCorkle entered into a Consent Order for engaging in inappropriate sexual contact with a client wherein he surrendered his license and agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$500 and costs of \$500.

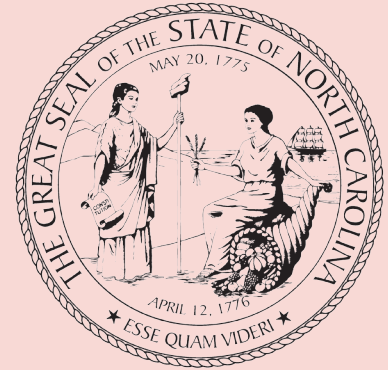
Kyle Winkles - Prior to a hearing scheduled for October 17, 2019, Ms. Winkles entered into a Consent Order for engaging in consensual but inappropriate sexual activity with a client after a massage and bodywork therapy session wherein her license was placed on probation for two years and she agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$500 and costs of \$250.

Osemwegie Eghidemwivbie - Prior to a hearing scheduled for December 12, 2019, Mr. Eghidemwivbie entered into a Consent Order for failing to deliver treatment that ensured the client's safety, comfort and privacy wherein his license was placed on probation for one year and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$150 and costs of \$150.

John Erwin - Prior to a hearing scheduled for December 12, 2019, Mr. Erwin entered into a Consent Order for failing to maintain confidentiality of a client's information wherein he agreed to complete additional CE hours and pay a civil penalty of \$500 and costs of \$250.

Joseph McDaniel - Prior to a hearing scheduled for December 12, 2019, Mr. McDaniel entered into a Consent Order for engaging in inappropriate sexual contact with a client wherein his license was placed on probation for two years and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

Ty'Quan Reddick - Prior to a hearing scheduled for December 12, 2019, Mr. Reddick entered into a Consent Order for failing to deliver treatment that ensured the client's safety, comfort and privacy wherein his license was revoked and he agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.



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PinHui Wang - Prior to a hearing scheduled for December 12, 2019, Ms. Wang entered into a Consent Order for aiding and abetting illegal massage and bodywork therapy wherein her license was placed on probation for one year and she agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$750 and costs of \$250.

Tabitha Williamson - Prior to a hearing scheduled for December 12, 2019, Ms. Williamson entered into a Consent Order for practicing massage and bodywork therapy prior to being licensed wherein her license was placed on probation for two years and she agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$1000 and costs of \$500.

LETTERS OF REPRIMAND:

There were eight (8) Letters of Reprimand issued to therapists for Non-Sufficient Funds (bounced checks).

NOTICE OF POTENTIAL VIOLATION:

There were seventeen (17) Notices served on persons for allegedly practicing without a license and fifteen (15) Notices served on businesses upon information they were allowing a person to practice massage and bodywork therapy without a North Carolina license.

INDIVIDUALS:

Heather Wiskes.....Matthews
Joe Higgs.....Corolla
Cam Van Thi Nguyen.....Smithfield
Andrew Sylvestri.....Wilmington
Sinnai James.....Charlotte
Tiffany Hoang.....High Point
Anna Starnes.....Deep Gap
Meredith Ewbank.....Shannon
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BUSINESSES:

Get Some Green Apothecary.....Matthews
Eden Day Spa and Salon.....Corolla
Perfect 10 Spa.....Smithfield
Magic Handz Massage.....Charlotte
Tiffany Nails and Trinity Spa.....High Point
Magic Touch Massage.....Deep Gap
ChiroMassage.....Fayetteville
John Gay Studios.....Edenton
Haircuts, Fairy Hair and Massage.....Fuquay Varina
Nikki Massage.....Leland
Mobile Massage by Chynel.....Sanford
New Attitudes Hair Salon.....Bryson City
Touched by Mi'Massage.....Fayetteville
Lotus Massage and Bodywork.....Goldsboro
Blissful Serenity Day Spa and Salon.....North Wilkesboro

DENIAL OF LICENSE:

The Board denied licenses to seven (7) applicants. Four (4) applicants were denied a license because the curriculum of the massage school they attended did not meet the Board's minimum requirements: Stephano Bove, Meg Joyce, Xiaoqin Lin and Qingshuang Wheeler. One (1) applicant was denied a license due to lack of moral character: Hong Xia Zhao. Two (2) applicants were denied due to pending criminal charges: Kayla Doebler and Elizabeth Perr.

CONDITIONAL LICENSES:

The License Standards Committee of the Board issued twenty-five (25) Conditional Licenses to persons whose applications showed evidence of past minor criminal behavior, possibility of practicing without a license, education deficiency or other minor improper conduct.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE!

www.bmbt.org

The Board Website is your Online Source for Information

The website provides an easily accessible source for information on the licensing program and activities of the Board. There are individual pages which give you information about:

- Applying for Initial Licensure
- License Renewals
- Online License Verification
- Update your Personal Profile
- How to Contact the Board
- Board Members and Professional Staff
- Board Meeting Schedule
- Board Approved Schools
- How to File a Complaint
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Links to Other Agencies and Organizations
- News and Announcements

A feature, called the DOCUMENT CENTER, is a popular page on the site. From this location, you can view and/or download many of the important documents which are part of the licensing program. These include:

Practice Act and Rules
Modalities Requiring Licensure in North Carolina
License Information and Application
License Renewal
Massage Therapy Schools
Name Change Form
Fee Schedule