

**Georgia Board of Massage Therapy
Investigative Committee Meeting
Open Session Minutes
Via WebEx
September 20, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.**

Committee Members Present:

Pam Nichols, LMT, CNMT, HNC, Committee Chair

Staff Present:

Adrienne D. Price, Executive Director
Sherry Strong, Complaints/Compliance Analyst
Donna Richardson, Complaints/Compliance Analyst

Attorney General's Office:

Craig Pake, Assistant Attorney General

Administrative Staff Absent

Meagan Doss. Licensing Supervisor

Open Session

The Investigative Committee of the Georgia Board of Massage Therapy met on Friday, September 20, 2024, via WebEx. The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Pam Nichols and entered Executive Session for the purpose of discussing investigative cases as authorized by O.C.G.A. Sections 43-1-2(h) and 43-11-47(h).

At the conclusion of the Executive Session, Pam Nichols declared the meeting open pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. The Investigative Committee entered a unanimous vote to present the recommendations to the Board as indicated below.

Investigative Interviews:

Recommendation:

MT220099

Close the case.

MT210049

Refer to Investigations to obtain additional information. Upon receipt refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Cease-and-Desist Order.

Discussion Cases:

Recommendation:

MT240030

Refer to the Attorney General's Office for Revocation of Licensure and Cease-and-Desist Order.

MT240040

Refer to Investigations to obtain additional information. Upon receipt refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Cease-and-Desist Order.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

The meeting minutes were prepared by:

Donna Richardson, Complaints & Compliance Analyst

The meeting minutes were reviewed and edited by:

Adrienne D. Price, Executive Director

The meeting minutes were approved on:

October 25, 2024

PAM NICHOLS
Committee Chair

ADRIENNE PRICE
Executive Director

CRAIG KNOWLES
Board President

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF BIBB

**AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF
PUBLIC MEETING**

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 *et seq.*, requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specific exceptions relied upon. O.C.G.A. §50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meeting in question.

Comes now Pam Nichols the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the Ga Massage Therapy Board.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On September 20, 2024 this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of the members present voted to close the meeting or a portion thereof for the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.
4. The legal authority for the closure of this meeting was:
O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h)
5. The subject(s) discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are:
To deliberate applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications and investigative reports.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT

Pam Nichols
Presiding Officer

Sworn and subscribed before me
This 1st day of November 2024

[Signature]
Notary Public

