

GEORGIA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY
Board WebEx Open Session Meeting Minutes
Friday, June 13, 2025 - 9:00 a.m.

The Georgia Board of Massage Therapy met via WebEx on Friday, June 13, 2025. The following members were present:

Board Members Present

Craig Knowles, BAS, LMT, BCTMB, CNMT, Chair
Dan Nichols, LMT, NMT, Vice Chair
Jane Boyles Curry, Consumer Board Member
Pam Nichols, LMT, CNMT, HNC, Board Member
Stephanie Bone', LMT, BWS, LDS, CR, Board Member

Administrative Staff Present

Meagan Doss, Licensing Supervisor
Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist
Demetrice Byron, Licensing Analyst
Donna Richardson, Complaint Analyst
Sherry Strong, Complaint/Compliance Analyst

Board Members Absent

No members absent.

Attorney General's Office Present

Craig Pake, Assistant Attorney General
John Oates, Intern
Leighlee Mahony, Intern

Visitors Present

Christine Degbor
Kimberly Kroll
Seth Dinkel
Tiawanna Glover
Barbara Castaldi
John Oates
Call-in User 1
Call-in User 2
Call-in User 3
Call-in User 4
Call-in User 5
Call-in User 6
Call-in User 7
Tiarra Elmore
Jael Hinderson
Chris Shumway
A. Sylverin
Bobbie Jo Flansburg
Nefertiti Bagley
Tierra Elmore
Elise Baine (FSMTB)
Rachel Stancil, VP of Operations, Alpha School of Massage
Mykenzie Francis, Compliance Specialist, Alpha School of Massage
Hollie Schoenwald
Michael Lynch
Timothy Scott
Sasha

Administrative Staff Absent

Adrienne Price, Executive Director

Call to Order Mr. Knowles established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

Agenda Mr. Nichols motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the meeting agenda as presented.

Ms. Curry motioned, Mr. Nichols seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2 (k); 43-1-19 (h) and 50-14-2 (1) to receive and

review information pertaining to applications, pending cases investigative reports and enforcement matters and to receive the Assistant Attorney General's report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members: Craig Knowles, Pam Nichols, Dan Nichols, Jane Boyles Curry, and Stephanie Bone'.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, June 13, 2025, Mr. Knowles declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during executive session.

OPEN SESSION

Scheduled Board Appointments

Ms. Nichols motioned, Mr. Nichols seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendation made in Executive Session:

9:30 a.m. Applicant 4040393

Rescind the previous motion and table decision pending additional information.

10:00 a.m. Applicant 4189323

Rescind the previous motion. Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance, and false attestation regarding completion of CE. Fine must be paid in full by December 15, 2025. Flag for Audit.

Executive Session Minutes

- 1. April 11, 2025 Executive Session WebEx Meeting Minutes**
- 2. May 16, 2025 Executive Session Investigative Committee WebEx Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Nichols motioned, Ms. Curry seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the April 11, 2025 Executive Session WebEx Meeting Minutes, and the May 16, 2025 Executive Session Investigative Committee WebEx Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Attorney General's Report – C. Pake

Mr. Nichols motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Attorney General's Report and advice as presented.

Legal Services MEMO

Ms. Curry motioned, Ms. Bone' seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations made in Executive Session:

- 1. Cases for Ratification**
 - a) MT250240**
 - b) MT250244**
 - c) MT250250**
 - d) MT250249**
 - e) MT250239**
 - f) MT250261**
 - g) MT250242**
 - h) MT250246**
 - i) MT250211**

- j) MT250231
- k) MT250237
- l) MT250238
- m) MT250247
- n) MT250252
- o) MT250258
- p) MT250268
- q) MT250248
- r) MT250229
- s) MT250267
- t) MT250228
- u) MT250257
- v) MT250260
- w) MT250251
- x) MT250277
- y) MT250271
- z) MT250241
- aa) MT250275
- bb) MT250241
- cc) MT250306

Accept orders as received.

2. Cases for Closure Due to Unresponsiveness

- a) **MT250004** Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1,000.00 for false attestation regarding CE and failure to meet CE requirements for the renewal cycle ending October 31, 2022. Must complete 12 hours of CE within 30 days of the docket date of the order. Fine to be paid in full by October 31, 2025, and CE completed to satisfy the requirements of the order may not be used to meet CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2024. Flag for CE Audit.
- b) **MT250156** Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Agreement for Licensure with a fine of \$500.00 for failure to disclose arrest on application for licensure. Fine must be paid in full prior to licensure. Flag for audit.
- c) **MT250167** Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500.00 for false attestation in regard to meeting CE requirements. Fine must be paid within 90 days or order docket date. Flag for audit.
- d) **MT250168** Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$250.00 for unlicensed practice from April 15, 2019 to December 31 2024. Fine must be paid within 90 days or order docket date. Flag for audit.
- e) **MT250179** Refer to the Attorney General's Office for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a reprimand and fine of \$500.00 for false attestation regarding criminal history. Fine must be paid within 90 days or order docket date. Flag for audit.

3. Requests for Reconsideration

- a) **MT250266** Rescind the previous motion. Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance, and false attestation regarding completion of CE. Fine must be paid in full by December 15, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- b) **MT250273** Uphold previous motion.

- c) **MT250262** Rescind previous motion, close the case and renew the license.

Investigative Committee Summary Report – P. Nichols

Ms. Bone’ motioned, Mr. Knowles seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Investigative Summary Report as presented.

- MT220059** Close the case with a Letter of Concern regarding unlicensed practice.
MT220070 Close the case due to lack of information from the Complainant to initiate an investigation.
MT220092 Close the case due to lack of information from the Complainant to initiate an investigation.
MT220106 Close the case due to insufficient evidence.
MT220163 Close the case due to lack of information from the Complainant to initiate an investigation.
MT220165 Close the case due to lack of information from the Complainant to initiate an investigation.
MT230008 Close the case due to lack of information from the Complainant to initiate an investigation.
MT230010 Close the case due to lack of information from the Complainant to initiate an investigation.
MT230072 Close the case due to lack of information from the Complainant to initiate an investigation.
MT230074 Close the case due to lack of information from the Complainant to initiate an investigation.
MT230076 Close the case due to lack of information from the Complainant to initiate an investigation.
MT230078 Close the case due to lack of information from the Complainant to initiate an investigation.
MT230079 Close the case due to lack of information from the Complainant to initiate an investigation.
MT240038 Close the case due to insufficient evidence.
MT250145 Refer to the Human Exploitation and Trafficking Unit of the Georgia Department of Law for review.
MT250220 Close the case with a Letter of Concern regarding aiding and abetting unlicensed practice and refer Respondent to the Georgia Board of Chiropractic Examiners for unprofessional conduct and violations of law by aiding and abetting the unlicensed practice of massage therapy.

Cognizant Ratification Report

Ms. Curry motioned, Mr. Nichols seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations made in Executive Session:

- Applicant 4189591** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4171984** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4217095** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for License Reinstatement with a fine of \$500 for unlicensed practice from 2017 - present. Fine must be paid prior to reinstatement of licensure. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4164815** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4212707** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for License Reinstatement with a fine of \$500 for unlicensed practice from November 2021 - Present. Fine must be paid prior to reinstatement of licensure. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4171552 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for Licensure with a fine of \$500 for failure to disclose arrest. Fine must be paid prior to reinstatement of licensure. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4176801 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.

Applications for Board Review

Applications (Initial Endorsement)

Ms. Nichols motioned, Ms. Bone' seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations made in Executive Session:

Applicant 4223783 Deny, due to failure to meet licensure requirements [O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(7), BR 345-3-.02(2)(b)].

Applicant 4170321 Deny based on fraudulent documentation and previous denial with the board [O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(6), BR 345-3-.02(2)(c)].

Applicant 4214693 Table pending additional information. If validated, issue the license. If not verified, deny based on fraudulent documentation.

Applicant 4217173 Issue the license.

Applicant 4135227 Issue the license.

Arrests

Mr. Nichols motioned, Ms. Curry seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations made in Executive Session:

Applicant 4185573 Once we receive a current Certificate of Liability Insurance, issue the license with a Letter of Concern for failure to disclose all arrests.

Inactive Status

Mr. Nichols motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations made in Executive Session:

Applicant 4168174 Ratify Inactive Status.

Reinstatement

Applicant 4213838 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for License Reinstatement with a fine of \$500 for unlicensed practice from July 2023 – March 2025. Fine must be paid prior to reinstatement of licensure. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4217894 Rescind the previous motion and table pending additional documentation.

Applicant 4225221 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for License Reinstatement with a fine of \$500 for unlicensed practice June 2012 – November 2023 and March 2025 – April 2025. Fine must be paid prior to reinstatement of licensure. Flag for Audit.

MT250295 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for License Reinstatement with a fine of \$500 for unlicensed practice from June 2012 – November 2023 and March 2025 – April 2025. Fine must be paid prior to reinstatement of licensure. Flag for Audit.

Renewals

Ms. Curry motioned, Ms. Bone’ seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations made in Executive Session:

Arrests / Sanctions

Applicant 4165351 Renew license with a Reservations of Rights Letter regarding arrest.

Applicant 4168480 Table pending additional documentation. Once received, Renew with a Reservation of Rights letter.

CE Audit

Applicant 4188575 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Agreement for Renewal with a fine of \$2000 for false attestation regarding CE and insurance, failure to meet requirements for CE, and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must submit proof of completing 12 board approved CE hours within 90 days of the order docket date. CE submitted to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to meet CE requirements for the biennium ending 10/31/2026. Fine must be paid in full before 10/31/2026. Flag for audit.

Applicant 4210438 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1500 for false attestation regarding CE, failure to meet CE requirements, and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must complete 12 hours of board approved, hands-on CE and provide proof of current professional liability insurance in accordance with the law within 90 days of the docket date of the order. If current treatment records are provided indicating the licensee is unable to perform hands-on massage therapy, must complete 12 hours of board approved CE courses. CE completed in December 2024 and to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to meet the CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2026. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4210485 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding CE, false attestation regarding professional liability insurance, and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). CE completed in December 2024 may not be used to meet the CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2026. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4210794 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1500 for false attestation regarding CE, failure to meet CE requirements, failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must complete two (2) hours of CE and provide proof of current professional liability insurance in accordance with the law within 90 days of the docket date of the order. CE completed to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to meet CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2026. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4210805 Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation concerning the CE question and failure to complete CE in accordance with Board Rules. CE completed to satisfy the terms of the order may not be

used to meet CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2026. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4178562

Rescind the previous motion and renew the license.

Applicant 4199036

Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for Renewal of Licensure with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation concerning the CE question and failure to complete CE in accordance with Board Rules. Must submit 2 hours of hands-on CE by October 31, 2025. CE completed to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to meet CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2026. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.

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Applicant 4171367

Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Must provide the Board with the final disposition of pending court case for aiding and abetting unlawful practice of massage therapy within 10 days of adjudication. The Board reserves the right to discipline the license further based upon the outcome of the case. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4159889

Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4162248

Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4166568

Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4167193

Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4169006

Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4169231

Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.

Applicant 4169352

Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.

- Applicant 4169435** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4170273** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4170371** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4170534** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4170672** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4170877** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4171113** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4171194** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4171301** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4171553** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4171808** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.

- Applicant 4172258** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4173075** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4173373** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4173383** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4173897** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4174700** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4175019** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4175697** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4175734** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation regarding insurance and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4176123** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4176402** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.

- Applicant 4177016** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4177133** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4178542** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4179719** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4180408** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4180688** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4183226** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4184244** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4185194** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4185239** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4185873** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.

- Applicant 4186526** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4187584** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4189282** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1500 for false attestation regarding CE, failure to meet CE requirements, failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must complete twenty-four (24) hours of CE within 90 days of the docket date of the order. CE completed to satisfy the terms of the order may not be used to meet CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2026. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4199370** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for unprofessional conduct by providing false information to the Board regarding date of completion of a CE course, and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Must provide proof of current professional liability insurance in accordance with the law within 90 days of the order docket date. CE completed on November 1, 2024 may not be used to meet CE requirements for the biennium ending October 31, 2026. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4207974** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$2000 for failure to meet CE requirements, failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c), and false attestation on the application concerning meeting CE requirements and maintaining insurance. Fine must be paid in full by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit. Applicant may submit a hand-signed letter requesting the withdrawal of the renewal application. Upon receipt, license will be placed in a lapsed/expired status and case closed. If attempts to reinstate, applicant may be required to pay the \$2000 fine for the previous violation before reinstatement will be considered.
- Applicant 4209808** Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a fine of \$1000 for false attestation and failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c). Fine must be paid by October 31, 2025. Flag for Audit.
- Applicant 4170492** Rescind the previous motion on case MT170094 and close the case. Refer to Legal Services for a Public Consent Order for License Renewal with a Public Reprimand and a fine of \$500 for failure to maintain professional liability insurance in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-24A-8(b)(8) & 43-24A-14(c) for this renewal. Fine to be paid within 90 days of the order docket date. Flag for Audit.

Transcript Review

Ms. Bone' motioned, Mr. Nichols seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations made in Executive Session:

- Applicant 4183912** Deny based on failure to meet requirements [O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(6), BR 345-3-.02(2)(c), BR 345-08-.01].

- Applicant 4214013** Deny based on failure to meet licensure requirements [O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(7), BR 345-3-.02(2)(b)].
- Applicant 4214573** Deny based on failure to meet educational requirements [O.C.G.A. § 43-24A-8(6), BR 345-3-.02(2)(c)].

OPEN SESSION

Open Session Minutes

1. **April 11, 2025 Open Session WebEx Meeting Minutes**
2. **May 16, 2025 Open Session Investigative Committee WebEx Meeting Minutes**

Ms. Nichols motioned, Mr. Nichols seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the April 11, 2025 Open Session WebEx Meeting Minutes, the May 16, 2025 Open Session Investigative Committee WebEx Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Licenses to Ratify: April 4, 2025 – June 7, 2025

Mr. Nichols motioned, Ms. Curry seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to ratify the licenses by application and by reinstatement that were issued in accordance with Board Rules and Policies between Board meetings.

Discussion – Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards (FSMTB)

1. **Poll Results on Sending and Receiving License Verifications**
2. **June In Touch E-Newsletter**

The Board accepts the correspondence in reference to FSMTB, as information.

Discussion – National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork (NCBTMB)

1. **05-01-25 Approved Provider Disciplinary Actions by State**
2. **05-01-25 Certificant Disciplinary Actions by State**
3. **06-01-25 Approved Provider Disciplinary Actions by State**
4. **06-01-25 Certificant Disciplinary Actions by State**

The Board accepts the correspondence in reference to NCBTMB, as information.

Executive Director’s Report – A. Price

The Executive Director’s Report presented the Board with statistical data relevant to the processing of applications, the number of licensees, to include massage therapy programs, board meeting statistics, and complaints/compliance matters. In addition, the report addressed the following topic of interest with the Board:

- PLB Updates
- MTLD
- Jurisprudence Requirement for MT Board

Mr. Nichols motioned, Ms. Curry seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion for staff to reach out to FSMTB to initiate the process of developing a Georgia jurisprudence course that can be made available to the licensees via REACH. The course could potentially be used for remediation in cases where licensees seem to not know or understand the laws under which they practice, used for those who falsely attest, as well as for CE credit

- Georgia General Assembly

Ms. Curry motioned, Ms. Nichols seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Executive Director's Report as presented.

Board's Chair Report – C. Knowles

No official report was presented, but Mr. Knowles addressed the public joining the meeting and underscored that the licensing process is totally in digital format with the change to GOALS which was a decision made by the Secretary of State. It is very important for applicants to log in and check your GOALS licensing portal regularly for notifications from Board staff regarding deficiencies. He also reiterated that the fingerprint process is contingent on the submission and payment of an application. The process must be completed by the applicant. Staff and Board cannot approve fingerprint registrations without submission and payment of an application for licensure.

Adjournment With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 1:04 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist
Minutes reviewed and edited by: Meagan Doss, Licensing Supervisor & Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Minutes approved on: August 8, 2025

CRAIG KNOWLES
BOARD CHAIR

ADRIENNE PRICE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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 officer 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 Craig Knoles 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 Board of Massage 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, June 13, 2025 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

[Signature]
Presiding Officer

Sworn and subscribed before me
This 16 day of June 2025

Leona Mims
Notary Public

