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BEFORE THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

In the Matter of:

Jeffrey DeGiovanni,

Licensed Massage Therapist Nevada License No. NVMT.7866,

Respondent.

Case No. NVMT-C-1965

COMPLAINT AND NOTICE OF HEARING

The Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy (Board), by and through its Executive Director, Sandra Anderson, hereby notifies Jeffrey DeGiovanni ("Respondent") of an administrative hearing, which is to be held pursuant to Chapters 233B, 622, 622A of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and 640C of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). The purpose of the hearing is to consider the allegations stated below and to determine if the Respondents should be subject to an administrative penalty as set forth in NRS 640C.710, if the stated allegations are proven at the hearing by the evidence presented.

Respondent is currently and at all times mentioned herein, licensed as a massage therapist in the State of Nevada and is therefore, subject to the jurisdiction of the Board and the provisions of NRS Chapter 640C.

IT IS HEREBY ALLEGED AND CHARGED AS FOLLOWS:

ALLEGED FACTS

- 1.e In or about May 2016, Respondent massaged MR at her house, wherein Respondent attempted to kiss MR without her consent.e
- 2.e In or about June 2016, Respondent massaged MR at her house, wherein Respondent attempted to kiss MR, pull the sheets down and attempted to massage MR's breasts without her consente
- 3.e In total, Respondent massaged MR on four different occasions wherein Respondent acted inappropriately.e

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VIOLATIONS OF LAW

COUNT ONE

 By engaging in or soliciting sexual activity during the course of practicing massage with MR, Respondent violated the provisions of NRS 640C.700(4), NRS 640C.700(2), and/or NRS 640C.700(9).

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Executive Director, Sandra Anderson, prays as follows:

2. That the Board conduct a hearing on this complaint as provided by statute, and after such hearing, that the Board impose upon Respondent the discipline permitted by NRS 640C.710, which may include the following, (a) the imposition of an administrative fine of not more than \$5,000.00 per violation, (b) recovery of reasonable investigative fees and costs incurred, (c) recovery of attorney fees pursuant to NRS 622.400, (d) licensee be publicly reprimanded, (e) suspend, revoke or place conditions on the licensee's license, (f) place the licensee on probation, and/or (g) such other impositions as may be permitted by Nevada law.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a disciplinary hearing has been set to consider this Administrative Complaint against the above-named Respondent in accordance with Chapters 233B, 622, 622A and 640C of the Nevada Revised Statutes.

Pursuant to Governor Steve Sisolak's Emergency Directive 006, there will be no physical location for this meeting. Participants can join the meeting via Zoom.

THE HEARING WILL TAKE PLACE:

Wednesday, August 19, 2020, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Zoom sign-in available at 8:30 a.m.

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://zoom.us/j/98844482882?pwd=YnVWeHBaMEtWZWFNZmdJ RXRwYlpqQT09

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Meeting ID 988-4448-2882

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PURSUANT TO NRS 622A.320, Respondent may, but is not required to, file an answer to this Complaint with the Board.

PURSUANT TO NRS 622A.330, Respondent may seek limited discovery from the Board.

As the Respondent, you are specifically informed that you have the right to appear and be heard in your defense, either personally or through counsel of your choice. You have the right to respond and to present relevant evidence and argument on all issues involved. You have the right to call and examine witnesses, introduce exhibits, and cross-examine opposing witnesses on any matter relevant to the issues involved.

You have the right to request that the Board issue subpoenas to compel witnesses to testify and/or evidence to be offered on your behalf. In making this request, you may be required to demonstrate the relevancy of the witnesses' testimony and/or evidence.

The purpose of the hearing is to determine if the Respondent has violated the provisions of Chapter 640C of NRS and if the allegations contained herein are substantially proven by the evidence presented to further determine what administrative penalty is to be assessed against the Respondent, if any, pursuant to NRS 640C.710.

Should the Respondent fail to appear at the hearing, a decision may still be reached by the Board. As the Respondent, you are further advised that you may be charged with the attorney's fees and/or costs associated with the hearing pursuant to NRS 622.400.

Pursuant to NRS 233B.121(5), informal disposition of this case may be made by stipulation, agreed settlement, consent order, or default. Any attempt to negotiate this case should be made by contacting Sandra Anderson, (775) 687-9951 or sjanderson@lmt.nv.gov.

Pursuant to NRS 241.033(2)(b), the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy may, without further notice, take administrative action against your license and/or certificate to practice within the State of Nevada if the Board determines that such administrative action is warranted after considering your character, alleged misconduct, professional competence, or physical or mental health.

Dated this yeur day of august, 2020.

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

SANDRA ANDERSON, Executive Director

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE I HEREBY CERTIFY that on August , 2020, I personally served Quade Law, LTD on behalf of Jeffrey B. DeGiovanni, a true and correct copy of the foregoing COMPLAINT AND NOTICE OF HEARING, properly addressed as follows: Quade Law, LTD. c/o Jeffrey B. DeGiovanni 216 E. Liberty St. Reno, NV 89501 Service Provider for the NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY Signature Reno Carson Messenger Service, Inc. 185 Martin Street Reno, NV 89509

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SUMMARY OF SERVICE

DOCUMENTS SERVED: COMPLAINT AND NOTICE OF HEARING;;

PARTY SERVED: Quade Law, LTD.

BY LEAVING WITH: Paul Quade, Person-In-Charge

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

Age: 56-60

Weight: 161-180 Lbs

Hair: Gray /White

Sex: Male

Height: 5'7 - 6'0

Race: Caucasian

DATE & TIME OF SERVICE: 8/5/2020

12:15 PM

ADDRESS, CITY, AND STATE: 216 E Liberty St

Reno, NV 895012211

COMPLETED BY

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