



Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

MEETING MINUTES May 7, 2025

LOCATIONS:

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DATES AND TIMES: **May 7, 2025, commencing at 9:00 a.m.**
 Zoom sign-in available at 8:30 a.m.

AGENDA

Please Note: The Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy may: 1) take agenda items out of order; 2) combine two or more items for consideration; or 3) remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion related to an item at any time. Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate individuals with disabilities who wish to attend the meeting. Please contact Elisabeth Barnard at 775.687.9951 (ebarnard@lmt.nv.gov), in advance, so that arrangements may be made. Public comment will be taken at the beginning and the end of the meeting. The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person (NRS 241.030).

Public Comment Agenda Item: There was a time designated at the beginning of the meeting and the end of the meeting for Public Comment. Members of the general public may bring matters not appearing on this Agenda to the attention of the Board or make comment on specific agenda items. Public comment may also be taken at other such times as requested as long as the request for public comment will not interrupt ongoing Board business. The Board may discuss the matters not on the agenda but may not act on the matters at this meeting. If the Board desired, the matters may be placed on a future Agenda for action. In consideration of others who may also wish to provide public comment, please avoid repetition. The Board limits public comment to three (3) minutes.

Prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual, the Board may refuse to consider public comment (see NRS 233B.126). Please be aware that after the quasi-judicial Board has rendered a decision in the contested case and, assuming this happens before adjournment, the Board may entertain public comment on the proceeding at that time.

1. Call to order and roll call of Board Members.

The Meeting was called to order 9:01 a.m. on May 7, 2025, by Vice Chair Paula Wilber. Board members in attendance included, Secretary-Treasurer Jenn Ty, Alan Kite-Swinden, Rosemarie Mueller, Bill Schoen, John Teng, Stephanie Tsanas, and Sgt. Evan Fincher with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department participated telephonically. Additional attendees included Board Counsel Colleen Platt and Executive Director Elisabeth Barnard. Chair Dorangriccia recused from the meeting. Lorna Benedict absent excused.

2. Mission Statement of the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy – To protect the public health, safety, and welfare through effective massage therapy regulation. Insuring that qualified, competent, ethical practitioners are licensed.

Wilber read the mission statement into the record.

3. Public comment – Members of the public who wish to participate in a public meeting may do so by providing public comment during the two designated public comment periods. Additionally, public comment options may include, without limitation, telephonic or email comment. Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under public comment until scheduled on an agenda for action at a later meeting. The Board will not restrict comments based on viewpoint. The opportunity for public comment will be available at the beginning and ending of the meeting. (Discussion Only)

No attendees at the meeting offered any public comment. No written public comment was received prior to the meeting.

4. Formal Hearing Steven Thomas NVMT.1348. Case Number NVMT-C-24077. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Thomas was not present.

Deputy Attorney General Joseph Ostunio called Brunner to testify regarding the certificate of service. Platt swore in Brunner. Brunner stated she had mailed the complaint and notice of hearing to the address on file for Thomas.

Ty motioned that Thomas was properly notified. Seconded by Tsanas. Motion carried, none opposed.

Ostunio asked to admit the plea agreement with regards to a criminal complaint as evidence. Wilber ruled to admit the plea agreement as Exhibit A.

Pursuant to NRS 622A.350 Schoen motioned to accept the allegations as true and the violations of law did occur. Seconded by Ty. Motion carried, none opposed.

Schoen motioned to revoke Thomas's license, NVMT.1348, for ten (10) years; with fines of \$5,000 for counts 2 and 4, fines of \$1,000 for counts 1, 3, 5, and 6; fees for Board costs not to exceed \$1,500. Fines and fees to be paid within five (5) years. Kite-Swinden seconded. Motion carried, none opposed.

5. Formal Hearing Maung T. Myint NVMT.12355 – Case Number NVMT-C-25006. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Maung Myint was present, with Jeff Im, manager of Imperial Spa. Sandy Thluai, Burmese interpreter was present. Another worker of Imperial Spa, Chyung Noi, was present for part of the proceedings.

Platt swore in Thluai.

Ostunio gave his opening statement. Myint gave his opening statement.

Ostunio called Chelsea Jarrard to testify. Platt swore Jarrard in. Jarrard provided testimony regarding the events that occurred during the massage Myint performed on her.

Myint questioned Jarrard. The Board questioned Jarrard.

Myint testified on his behalf. Platt swore Myint in. Myint made a statement regarding the events. Ostunio questioned Myint. The Board questioned Myint.

Ostunio made closing statements. Myint made closing statements.

The Board discussed the case and found the testimony of Jarrard compelling.

Schoen motioned that the alleged facts did occur, with the amendment to alleged fact number 5 that on or about March 24, 2025, Respondent entered into a plea agreement, and all three violations of law did occur. Kite-Swinden seconded.

Schoen motioned to revoke Myint's license, NVMT.12355, for ten (10) years; to assess fines of \$5,000 for each count; and assess fees for Board costs not to exceed \$2,000. Fines and fees to be paid within five (5) years. Kite-Swinden seconded. Motion carried, with no opposition.

6. Formal Hearing Alfred E. Smith IV NVMT.12368 – Case Number NVMT-C-25022. (For Discussion and Possible Action)

Schoen disclosed a conflict of interest and recused from the proceedings.

Smith was not present. Chandon Alexander legal counsel for Respondent was present.

Senior Deputy Attorney General Todd Weiss informed the Board that an agreement had been reached to continue the matter to the next regular meeting with the stipulation that Smith's license, NVMT.12368, would remain suspended under NRS 233.127.

Alexander asked for a ruling on a motion to compel documents as a preliminary matter.

Alexander argued his reasons for compelling documents. Weiss presented arguments against the motion.

Wilber considered the arguments and ruled to deny the motion to compel documents due to NRS 640C.760 rendering those documents confidential, until such documents are submitted at a hearing.

7. Public comment.

Ian McMenemy, on behalf of Chelsea Jarrard, “thank you I just wanted to thank the board for taking this matter very seriously and upholding the ethics and the laws of the state of Nevada to protect the public and I just wanted to appreciate all the dialogue and the decision.”

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Notices:

Items may be combined for consideration by the board. Items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time. Public comment will be taken at the beginning and at the end of the meeting. Regarding public comment, no vote may be taken upon a matter raised under this agenda item until the matter itself has been specifically included on a future agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. (NRS 241.020). The Chair may allow comment on individual agenda items at her discretion. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes.

The Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy may address agenda items out of sequence to accommodate persons appearing before the Board or to aid the efficiency or effectiveness of the meeting. Interested persons may present oral and/or written comments at the time and place of the meeting, or written comments may be sent no later than **Tuesday, March 11, 2025**, to the following address: **Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy, 1755 E. Plumb Lane, Suite 252, Reno, NV 89502. Supporting materials are available on the Board’s website http://massagetherapy.nv.gov/About/Board_Meetings/Meetings/ or by contacting Elisabeth Barnard at 775.687.9951 or ebarnard@lmt.nv.gov or 1755 E Plumb Lane, Suite 252, Reno, NV 89502.** Documents provided to Board members during the meeting will be posted on the website after the meeting.

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