

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE: CLINTON CORBERT STEVENSON, L.M.T.
License Number: 0019-012292
Case Number: 178088

ORDER

JURISDICTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4019 and 54.1-2400(10), a Special Conference Committee of the Virginia Board of Nursing (“Board”) and a member of the Massage Therapy Advisory Board held an informal conference on August 2, 2017, in Henrico County, Virginia, to inquire into evidence that Clinton Corbert Stevenson, L.M.T., may have violated certain laws and regulations governing the practice of massage therapy in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Clinton Corbert Stevenson, L.M.T. appeared at this proceeding and was represented by Jeroyd W. Greene, Esquire.

NOTICE

By letter dated May 4, 2017, the Board sent a Notice of Informal Conference (“Notice”) to Mr. Stevenson notifying him that an informal conference would be held on June 6, 2017. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to the legal address of record on file with the Board and to counsel for Mr. Stevenson.

Upon consideration of the evidence, the Committee adopts the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and issues the Order contained herein.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Clinton Corbert Stevenson, L.M.T., was issued License Number 0019-012292 to practice massage therapy on March 21, 2014, which is scheduled to expire on August 31, 2018. At all times relevant to the findings contained herein, said license was current and active.

2. Clinton Corbert Stevenson, L.M.T., violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2) and (5), 18 VAC 90-50-90(2)(a) and (i) of the Regulations Governing the Licensure of Massage Therapists, and Sections XII, XIV, and XVI of the Code of Ethics of the National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork, in that during the course of his employment with Healing Hands Day Spa, Richmond, Virginia:

a. On January 3, 2017, while providing a massage to Client A, a female client, he inappropriately touched Client A's areolae and nipples, and massaged her breasts. Mr. Stevenson stated at the informal conference that he obtained Client A's verbal permission to conduct a therapeutic breast massage which he stated consisted of massaging the upper chest muscle, the top of the breast tissue and the side of the breast tissue. He stated that he massaged Client A's breast tissue from the outer edge of the areola out. He denied massaging Client A's nipple and areola.

b. In the summer of 2016, while providing a massage to Client B, a female client, he inappropriately massaged Client B's exposed breasts. At the informal conference, Mr. Stevenson acknowledged that he performed a therapeutic breast massage on Client B after obtaining her verbal permission to do so. He denied exposing and massaging Client B's nipple and areola during the therapeutic breast massage.

3. At the informal conference, Mr. Stevenson demonstrated a lack of understanding of circumstances in which it is appropriate to provide therapeutic breast massage. Mr. Stevenson stated that he has received training in providing a massage of the female chest area. However, he acknowledged that he has not received continuing education units in providing therapeutic breast massage.

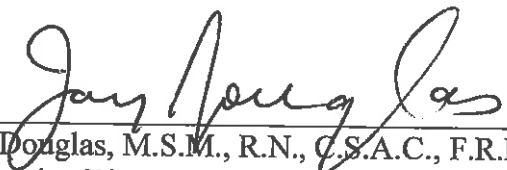
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Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Virginia Board of Nursing hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. Clinton Corbert Stevenson, L.M.T., is REPRIMANDED.
2. Within 90 days from the date of entry of this Order, Clinton Corbert Stevenson, L.M.T., shall provide written proof satisfactory to the Board of successful completion of Board-approved courses each in the subject areas of ethics, draping, boundaries, and professional conduct.
3. The courses shall be approved in advance of registration by the Executive Director of the Board. Requests for approval must be received within 15 business days prior to the course date.
4. Continuing education obtained through compliance with this term shall not be used toward licensure renewal.
5. Clinton Corbert Stevenson, L.M.T., shall comply with all laws and regulations governing the practice of massage therapy in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
6. Any violation of the foregoing terms and conditions of this Order or any statute or regulation governing the practice of massage therapy shall constitute grounds for further disciplinary action.

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4023 and 54.1-2400.2, the signed original of this Order shall remain in the custody of the Department of Health Professions as a public record, and shall be made available for public inspection and copying upon request.

FOR THE BOARD



Jay Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E.
Executive Director
Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED AND MAILED: _____

August 30th 2017

Certified True Copy

By _____
Virginia Board of Nursing

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400(10), Mr. Stevenson may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on October 2, 2017, notify Jay Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E., Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in writing that he desires a formal administrative hearing before the Board. Upon the filing with the Executive Director of a request for the hearing, this Order shall be vacated. This Order shall become final on October 2, 2017, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.