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by reference herein.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

LOUIS SANCHEZ, C.M.T. Certificate No.: 0019-011182

ORDER OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION

Pursuant to § 54.1-110 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), a quorum of the Board of Nursing ("Board") met by telephone conference call on March 10, 2015, after a good faith effort to convene a regular meeting of the Board had failed. The purpose of the meeting was to receive and act upon certain information indicating that Louis Sanchez, C.M.T., may have violated certain laws and regulations relating to the practice of massage therapy in the Commonwealth of Virginia, as more fully set forth in the attached "NOTICE OF HEARING and STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS," which is attached hereto and incorporated

WHEREUPON, pursuant to its authority under § 54.1-2408.1(A) of the Code, the Board concludes that a substantial danger to public health or safety warrants this action and ORDERS that the certificate of Louis Sanchez, C.M.T., Certificate No. 0019-011182, to practice massage therapy in the Commonwealth of Virginia is hereby SUSPENDED. It is further ORDERED that a hearing be convened forthwith to receive and act upon evidence in this case and that the Executive Director of the Board shall be authorized to execute this Order and all other documents, notices and orders on behalf of the Board necessary to bring this matter to a hearing.

Upon entry of this Order, the certificate of Louis Sanchez, C.M.T., will be recorded as suspended and no longer current.

Pursuant to § 54.1-2400.2 of the Code, 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 or copying on request.

## FOR THE BOARD

Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE Executive Director, Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED: March 13

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

LOUIS SANCHEZ, C.M.T.

Certificate No.: 0019-011182

**NOTICE OF HEARING** 

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4020, 2.2-4024(F), and 54.1-2400(11) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended

("Code"), Louis Sanchez, C.M.T., who, prior to its summary suspension by the Board of Nursing on March

13, 2015, held Certificate No. 0019-011182 to practice massage therapy in Virginia, is hereby given notice

that a formal administrative hearing will be held in the presence of a panel of the Board of Nursing. The

hearing will be held on May 18, 2015, at 9:30 a.m., at the offices of the Department of Health Professions,

Board of Nursing, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia 23233, at which time

Mr. Sanchez will be afforded the opportunity to be heard in person or by counsel.

At the hearing, Mr. Sanchez has the following rights, among others: the right to representation by

counsel; the right to have witnesses subpoenaed and to present witnesses on his behalf; the right to present

documentary evidence; and the right to cross-examine adverse witnesses. If Mr. Sanchez desires any

witnesses to appear on his behalf, he must notify the Director of Administrative Proceedings, Department of

Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in accordance with the

Instructions for Requesting Subpoenas.

The purpose of the hearing is to inquire into evidence that Louis Sanchez, C.M.T., may have violated

certain laws and regulations governing practice as a massage therapist in Virginia, as more fully set forth in

the Statement of Particulars below.

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

The Board alleges that Louis Sanchez, C.M.T. may have violated §54.1-3007(2), (3), (5) and (8) of

the Code, 18 VAC 90-50-90(2)(d) and (i) of the Regulations Governing the Certification of Massage

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Therapists and Sections XIV, XV, XVI of the NCBTMB Code of Ethics in that during the course of his employment with Massage Heights, Falls Church, Virginia, on or about December 20, 2014:

- 1. While providing a massage to Client A, Mr. Sanchez repeatedly and inappropriately touched the client's genital area. Additionally, Mr. Sanchez improperly draped Client A's body, leaving her exposed.
- 2. While providing an upper body massage to Client B, Mr. Sanchez inappropriately touched the client's genital area, moved her underwear below her buttocks and improperly draped her body, leaving her exposed.

FOR THE BOARD

Jay P Douglas, M&M, RN, CSAC, FRE

Executive Director for the

Board of Nursing

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