BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

CURTIS ALEX HALL, L.M.T., REINSTATEMENT APPLICANT

License Number:

0019-008918

Case Number:

176854

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 April 10, 2017, in Henrico County, Virginia, to receive and act upon Curtis Hall's application for reinstatement of his license to practice as a massage therapist in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Curtis Alex Hall, L.M.T., appeared at this proceeding and was not represented by legal counsel.

NOTICE

By letter dated March 13, 2017, the Board sent a Notice of Informal Conference ("Notice") to Mr. Hall notifying him that an informal conference would be held on April 10, 2017. The Notice was sent by certified and first class mail to the legal address of record on file with the Board.

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. Curtis Alex Hall, L.M.T., was issued License Number 0019-008918 to practice as a massage therapist on April 21, 2010, which expired on November 20, 2013.

- 2. By Order of the Board entered on November 20, 2013, the Board suspended Mr. Hall's license for a period of three months due to findings that while providing a client with a massage, he acted impulsively and kissed her on the mouth.
 - 3. On August 22, 2016, the Board received Mr. Hall's application for reinstatement.
- 4. Mr. Hall violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(6) in that he is unsafe to practice as a massage therapist due to mental illness, as evidenced by his diagnoses of generalized anxiety disorder and obsessive compulsive disorder.
- 5. Mr. Hall received counseling from a licensed clinical social worker from December 10, 2013 to May 27, 2015. Mr. Hall discontinued treatment and stopped taking his prescribed medications before being officially discharged.
- 6. Mr. Hall lacked insight into identifying boundaries regarding the previous incident wherein he kissed a client. Further, he could not satisfactorily answer questions pertaining to client boundaries.
 - 7. Mr. Hall failed to demonstrate that he is safe and competent to return to practice.
- 8. Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400.2(K), the Board considered whether to disclose or not disclose Mr. Hall's health records or health services.

ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Virginia Board of Nursing hereby ORDERS that the application of Curtis Alex Hall, L.M.T., for reinstatement of his license to practice as a massage therapist is DENIED. Should he petition the Board for reinstatement of his license, an administrative proceeding will be convened to determine whether Mr. Hall is able to return to the safe and competent practice as a massage therapist. Mr. Hall shall be responsible for any fees that may be

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required for the reinstatement and/or renewal of the license prior to issuance of the license to resume practice.

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

ay Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E.

Executive Director

Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED AND MAILED: May 3.

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2400(10), Mr. Hall may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on June 5, 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 June 5, 2017, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

By Nirginia Board of Nursing