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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK
THERAPY

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE	:	Administrative Action
APPLICATION OF	:	
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NASIMA B. AHMED	:	CONSENT ORDER
	:	
TO PRACTICE MASSAGE AND	:	
BODYWORK THERAPY IN THE	:	
STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy ("Board") upon review of Nasima B. Ahmed's application for licensure as a massage and bodywork therapist. Upon a review of the application, and the results of

the Criminal History Background Check, it was ascertained by the Board that although the applicant had indicated "N" for "no" in response to the questions relating to convictions on the application, and had indicated "Y" for "yes" in response to the question about arrests, and indicated that the arrest "was for a DUI and DWI," the applicant had been arrested on December 18, 2007 on charges of shoplifting, and was found guilty of those charges on February 5, 2008. The applicant had also been arrested on September 23, 2009 and charged with possession of marijuana, and although there was no conviction, she apparently performed 30 hours of community service. Additionally, the applicant had been arrested on May 28, 2011 and charged with providing false reports to law enforcement, although the charges were withdrawn.

The Board finds that the applicant knew or should have known that by failing to disclose the conviction on the application, and by referencing only a DUI or DWI arrest on the application in response to the questions about arrests and/or convictions she was providing inaccurate and/or misleading information, and that she therefore engaged in misrepresentation on her application in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).

The Board finding that licensure as well as entry of the within order are appropriate, and sufficiently protective of the

