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**New Jersey State Board of  
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK  
THERAPY

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IN THE MATTER OF THE	:	Administrative Action
LICENSURE OF	:	
	:	CONSENT ORDER
PATRICIA A. JENKINS	:	GRANTING LICENSURE
	:	WITH PROBATION
AS A MASSAGE AND BODYWORK	:	
THERAPIST	:	

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This matter was opened to the Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy ("the Board") upon receipt of the application of Patricia A. Jenkins for licensure as a massage and bodywork therapist. Upon a review of the application and the criminal history background check, it was ascertained by the Board that although the applicant had indicated "no" in response to the application questions as to arrests or convictions, she had been arrested on five occasions, including an arrest in 1982 that

resulted in a conviction for shoplifting; an arrest in 1988 on charges of assault that were dismissed; an arrest in 1999 on theft and forgery-related charges that were dismissed; an arrest in 2002 on shoplifting charges, which resulted in a conviction on those charges; and an arrest in 2004 on harassment charges that were dismissed. Ms. Jenkins claimed that she did not disclose her arrest/conviction history because the company that employed her required that she submit her license application by November 30, 2012, and Ms. Jenkins would not have been able to obtain documentation relating to the arrests in order to submit the application by that date. Ms. Jenkins further claimed that she attempted to amend her application by telephoning a Board staff member, but was unable to reach that staff member.

The Board finds that the applicant clearly knew that she was providing inaccurate information to the Board. Therefore, the Board finds that Ms. Jenkins engaged in misrepresentation on her application in connection with her arrest/conviction history in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).

The Board finding that granting the applicant's request for licensure is appropriate under the circumstances, and that the offenses of which the applicant was convicted were distant in time, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS ON THIS 16<sup>th</sup> DAY OF May, 2013

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. A civil penalty in the amount of \$100.00 is hereby imposed for the applicant's violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b). Payment shall be in the form of a certified check or money order, made payable to the State of New Jersey, and shall be forwarded simultaneously with this signed Order.

2. The Ms. Jenkins's application for certification shall be granted upon payment of the above penalty, and upon her \* demonstration that she has satisfied other licensure requirements, if she has not already done so. Ms. Jenkins shall be placed on probation for a period of two years, dating from the filing of this Order. The conditions of probation are set forth below.

3. Ms. Jenkins shall report to the Board within five (5) business days any arrest, indictment or conviction for any crime or disorderly persons offense.

4. Ms. Jenkins shall obey all the laws of the State of New Jersey, the United States and their political subdivisions as well as all regulations, rules or laws pertaining to the practice of massage and bodywork therapy in the State or jurisdiction in which she practices massage and bodywork therapy.

5. Any deviation from the terms of this Order without the prior written consent of the Board shall constitute a failure to comply with the terms of this Order. Upon receipt of any

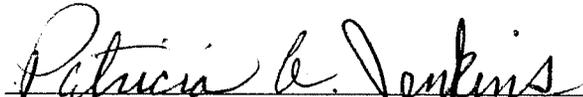
reliable information indicating that the applicant has violated any term of this Order, the Ms. Jenkins's license may be automatically suspended by the Board. Ms. Jenkins, upon notice, may request a hearing to contest the entry of such an order. At any such hearing, the sole issue shall be whether any of the information received regarding Ms. Jenkins was materially false.

6. At the end of the term of probation, Ms. Jenkins may petition the Board in writing for release from the terms of this Order. In the event that there have been no arrests or convictions during the period of probation, the Board may then grant such a petition by means of a written communication, without need for further Order of the Board.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF  
MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY

By:   
Deborah Overholt  
Chairperson

I have read and understand the  
Within Consent Order and  
agree to be bound by its terms.

  
Patricia A. Jenkins