

**IN THE MATTER OF** \* **BEFORE THE MARYLAND**  
**HUA LIU** \* **STATE BOARD OF**  
**APPLICANT** \* **MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS**  
\* **CASE NUMBER: 25-11M**

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**ORDER OF DENIAL OF APPLICATION FOR LICENSE OR REGISTRATION  
IN MASSAGE THERAPY**

On September 24, 2025, the Maryland State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners (the “Board”) notified Hua Liu (the “Applicant”), of the Board’s intent to deny her Application for License or Registration in Massage Therapy under the Maryland Massage Therapy Practice Act (the “Act”) codified at Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. §§ 6-101 *et seq.* (2021 Repl. Vol. & 2024 Supp.). The pertinent provisions of the Act provide the following:

**§ 6-302. License and registration qualifications**

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- (b) To qualify for a license, an applicant shall be an individual who:
  - (1) Is of good moral character[.]

.....

- (c) On or before September 30, 2024, to qualify to be registered, an applicant shall be an individual who:
  - (1) Is of good moral character[.]

**§ 6-308. License or registration denial, suspension, or revocation**

- (a) Subject to the hearing provisions of §6-309 of this subtitle, the Board may deny a license or registration to an applicant, reprimand a

licensee or registration holder, place any licensee or registration holder on probation, or suspend or revoke the license of a licensee or the registration of a registration holder if the applicant, licensee, or registration holder:

(1) Fraudulently or deceptively obtains or attempts to obtain a license or registration for the applicant or for another;

.....

(3) Is disciplined by a licensing, certifying, or disciplinary authority of any other state or country or convicted or disciplined by a court of any state or country for an act that would be grounds for disciplinary action under this section;

(4) Is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to a felony or to a crime involving moral turpitude, whether or not any appeal or other proceeding is pending to have the conviction or plea set aside;

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(11) Has violated any provision of this title;

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(20) Engages in conduct that violates the professional code of ethics;

(21) Knowingly does an act that has been determined by the Board to be a violation of the Board's regulations[.]

Pursuant to Health Occ. § 6-308(21), the pertinent provisions of the Code of Maryland Regulations (“COMAR”), provide the following:

**COMAR 10.65.01.06 Application for Licensure or Registration.**

A. An applicant for a license to practice massage therapy shall:

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(5) Provide evidence that the applicant is:

(a) Of good moral character[.]

.....

B. On or before September 30, 2024, to be a registered massage practitioner, an applicant shall:

....

(5) Provide evidence that the applicant is:

(a) Of good moral character[.]

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. On or about June 17, 2024, the Board received an Application for License or Registration in Massage Therapy (the “Application”) from the Applicant.

2. On her Application, the Applicant answered “No” to question number 2 under the Background, Character & Fitness Questions section, which asks:

Has a state licensing or disciplinary board (including Maryland), a comparable body in the armed services or the Veterans Administration, taken actions against your license, registration, or certificate? Such actions include, but are not limited to, limitations of practice require education, admonishment or reprimand, suspension, probation or revocation.

3. On her Application, the Applicant answered “No” to question number 3 under the Background, Character & Fitness Questions section, which asks:

Has any licensing or disciplinary board in any jurisdiction (including Maryland), comparable body in the armed services or the Veterans Administration, filed any complaints or charges against you or investigated you for any reason?

### **Information pertaining to the Applicant’s licensing and/or disciplinary history**

4. In or around March 27, 2019, the State of Florida Board of Massage Therapy (“Florida Board”) filed an Administrative Complaint against the Applicant’s

license to practice massage therapy under license number MA 87912, after the Applicant's arrest for soliciting another to commit prostitution. During a massage session with an undercover detective (the "Client") employed by a county sheriff office, the Applicant pushed her vaginal area against the Client's hand, lifted the Client's shorts, and attempted to grab his penis during a massage. The Applicant then told the Client that she would perform oral sex and masturbation on him for \$200.

5. The Florida Board charged the Applicant with sexual misconduct in the practice of massage therapy and engaging in sexual activity with a client.

6. On or about February 16, 2021, the Florida Board adopted the facts set forth in the Administrative Complaint and issued a final order revoking the Applicant's license to practice massage therapy. The Florida Board also ordered that the Applicant pay a fine of \$5,000 and investigative costs of \$460.81.

7. On or about November 10, 2021, the Virginia Department of Health Professions suspended the Applicant's license to practice massage therapy in Virginia based on the revocation of the Applicant's license to practice massage therapy by the Florida Board.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Board concludes as a matter of law that the Applicant's conduct described as above constitutes a violation of the Health Occ. § 6-302 (b) (1) and/or (c)(1); § 6-308 (a) (1), (3), (4), (11), (20), and/or (21) of the Act; and COMAR 10.65.01.06A (5)(a) and/or B(5)(a) and is a basis on which to deny the Applicant's Application to practice massage therapy.

**ORDER**

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Board hereby:

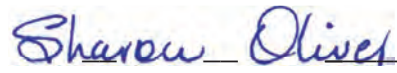
**ORDERED** that the Applicant's Application for License or Registration in Massage Therapy in the State of Maryland is **DENIED**; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the effective date of this Order is the date that it is signed by the Board; and it is further

**ORDERED** that this Order is reportable to the National Practitioner Bank; and it further

**ORDERED** that this document constitutes a formal disciplinary action of the Board, and this Order is final and is a public document for purposes of public disclosure, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., General Provisions § 4-333 (2019 Repl. Vol and 2024 Supp.).

12/11/2025  
Date

  
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Sharon J. Oliver, MBA  
Executive Director  
Maryland State Board of  
Massage Therapy Examiners

**NOTICE OF RIGHT OF APPEAL**

In accordance with § 6-310 the Act and Md. Code Ann., State Government §§ 10-201, *et seq.* (2021 Repl. Vol. and 2024 Supp.) you have a right to a direct judicial appeal of this decision. A petition for appeal of the Final Board Order shall be filed within thirty days from your receipt of this Final Order and shall be made in accordance with the aforementioned authority.