

Gene Andre Coxson, Jr., R.M.P.
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January 26, 2021

Caitlin Thompson, Chair
Maryland State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners
4201 Patterson Avenue, Ste. 301
Baltimore, MD 21215-2299

Re: Surrender of Registration to Practice Massage Therapy
Gene Andre Coxson, Jr., R.M.P.
Registration Number: R02334
Case Numbers: 19-71M

Dear Ms. Thompson and Members of the Board,

Please be advised that, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. (“Health Occ.”) § 6-307, I have decided to **SURRENDER** my registration to practice massage therapy in the State of Maryland, Reg. Number M02334, effective immediately. I have agreed to surrender my registration for three years. I understand that upon surrender of my registration, I may not practice massage therapy on any individual, with or without compensation or otherwise engage in the practice of massage therapy in the State of Maryland as it is defined in the Maryland Massage Therapy Act (the “Act”), Health Occ. §§ 6-101 *et seq.* and other applicable laws. In other words, as of the effective date of this Letter of Surrender, I understand that the surrender of my license means that I am in the same position as an unlicensed individual in the State of Maryland.

I understand that this Letter of Surrender is a **PUBLIC DOCUMENT**, and upon the Maryland State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners’ (“the Board’s”) acceptance, becomes a **FINAL ORDER** of the Board.

On or about November 16, 2020, I voluntarily mailed my registration to the Board and ceased practicing massage. On September 25, 2019, I was charged with second degree and fourth degree sexual assault. These charges arose out of an incident involving one of my massage therapy patients. I was alleged to have touched a patient without her consent in a sexual manner during massage therapy. The charges in the matter were placed on the STET docket on November 16, 2020. As part of that agreement, I have agreed to surrender my registration to practice massage therapy in the State of Maryland for three years to avoid further investigation and prosecution in this matter. I recognize that for all purposes relevant to my registration that these allegations shall be treated as proven and that these allegations support a conclusion that I violated Health Occ. § 6-308(a); (2) (Fraudulently or deceptively uses a license or registration), and (8) (Does an act that is inconsistent with generally accepted standards in the practice of massage therapy).

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I wish to make it clear that I have voluntarily, knowingly and freely chosen to submit this Letter of Surrender to avoid further prosecution of the disciplinary charges. I acknowledge that for all purposes related to massage therapy licensure and registration, the charges will be treated as if proven.

I understand that by executing this Letter of Surrender I am waiving my right to a hearing to contest the disciplinary charges. In waiving my right to contest the charges, I am also waiving the right to be represented by counsel at the hearing, to confront witnesses, to give testimony, to call witnesses on my own behalf, and all other substantive and procedural protections provided by law, including the right to appeal to circuit court.

I acknowledge that on or before the effective date of this Letter of Surrender I shall present to the Board my Maryland massage therapy registration, including any renewal certificates and wallet-sized renewal cards.

I understand that the Board will advise the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards, the National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork, the National Practitioner Data Bank, and the Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank of this Letter of Surrender. I also understand that in the event I would apply for license or licensure in any form in any other state or jurisdiction that this Letter of Surrender may be released or published by the Board to the same extent as a final order that would result from disciplinary action, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Gen. Prov. §§ 4-101 *et seq.* (2019), and that this Letter of Surrender constitutes a disciplinary action by the Board.

I further recognize and agree that by submitting this Letter of Surrender, my registration will remain surrendered for three years.

I understand that I may not apply for reinstatement or a new Maryland license or registration. I acknowledge that I may not rescind this Letter of Surrender in part or in its entirety for any reason whatsoever. Finally, I wish to make clear that I have been advised of my right to be represented by an attorney of my choice throughout proceedings before the Board, including the right to consult with an attorney prior to signing this Letter of Surrender. I have knowingly and willfully waived my right to be represented by an attorney before signing this letter surrendering my registration to practice massage therapy in Maryland. I understand both the nature of the Boards' actions and this Letter of Surrender fully. I acknowledge that I understand and comprehend the language, meaning and terms and effect of this Letter of Surrender. I make this decision knowingly and voluntarily.

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Very truly yours,


Gene Andre Coxson, Jr., R.M.P.

NOTARY

STATE OF Maryland
CITY/COUNTY OF Howard

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 2nd day of February, 2021 before me, a Notary Public of the City/County aforesaid, personally appeared **Gene Andre Coxson, Jr., R.M.P.**, and declared and affirmed under the penalties of perjury that the signing of this Letter of Surrender was their voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESS my hand and Notarial seal.


Notary Public

My commission expires: 05/31/2021



CHRISTOPHER MA
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF MARYLAND
My Commission Expires May 31, 2021



ACCEPTANCE

On behalf of the Board of Examiners of Massage Therapists, on this 3RD day of FEBRUARY, 2021, I, Sharon J. Oliver, accept **Gene Andre Coxson, Jr.'s, PUBLIC SURRENDER** of his registration to practice massage therapy in the State of Maryland.



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