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BEFORE THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

10 In the Matter of

11 PAUL KLEIN,

Holder of License No. MT-10736 As a Massage Therapist 13 In the State of Arizona

Board Case No. 14-111

CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR SURRENDER

15 In the interest of a prompt and judicious settlement of this case, consistent with the public interest, statutory requirements and the responsibilities of the Arizona State Board 16 of Massage Therapy ("Board") under A.R.S. § 32-4201, et. seq., Paul Klein 17 ("Respondent"), holder of Massage Therapist License Number MT-10736 in the State of 18 Arizona, and the Board enter into the following Recitals, Findings of Fact, Conclusions 19 20 of Law and Order ("Consent Agreement") as a final disposition of this matter.

RECITALS

22 1. Respondent has read and understands this Consent Agreement and has had 23 the opportunity to discuss this Consent Agreement with an attorney, or has waived the 24 opportunity to discuss this Consent Agreement with an attorney.

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2. Respondent understands that he has a right to a public administrative 2 hearing concerning this matter, at which hearing he could present evidence and cross examine witnesses. By entering into this Consent Agreement, Respondent knowingly 3 and voluntarily relinquishes all right to such an administrative hearing, as well as rights 4 of rehearing, review, reconsideration, appeal, judicial review or any other administrative 5 and/or judicial action, concerning the matters set forth herein. 6

7 3. Respondent affirmatively agrees that this Consent Agreement shall be 8 irrevocable.

4. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement or any part of the agreement may be considered in any future disciplinary action by the Board against him.

5. Respondent understands this Consent Agreement deals with Board case number 14-111 involving allegations that Respondent engaged in conduct that would subject him to discipline under the Board's statutes and rules. The investigation into 14 these allegations against Respondent shall be concluded upon the Board's adoption of this Consent Agreement. 15

6. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement does not constitute a 16 dismissal or resolution of any other matters currently pending before the Board, if any, 17 and does not constitute any waiver, express or implied, of the Board's statutory authority 18 or jurisdiction regarding any other pending or future investigation, action or proceeding. 19

7. 20 Respondent also understands that acceptance of this Consent Agreement does not preclude any other agency, subdivision, or officer of this State from instituting 21 any other civil or criminal proceedings with respect to the conduct that is the subject of 22 23 this Consent Agreement.

24 8. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that, upon signing this Consent Agreement and returning this document to the Board's Executive Director, he may not

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revoke his acceptance of the Consent Agreement or make any modifications to the 1 2 document regardless of whether the Consent Agreement has been signed by the Executive Director. 3

9. This Consent Agreement is subject to the approval of the Board and is effective only when accepted by the Board and signed by the Executive Director. In the event that the Board does not approve this Consent Agreement, it is withdrawn and shall 6 be of no evidentiary value and shall not be relied upon nor introduced in any action by any party, except that the parties agree that should the Board reject this Consent Agreement and this case proceeds to hearing, Respondent shall assert no claim that the Board was prejudiced by its review and discussion of this document or any records relating thereto.

12 10. If a court of competent jurisdiction rules that any part of this Consent 13 Agreement is void or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the Consent Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. 14

11. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement is a public record that 16 may be publicly disseminated as a formal action of the Board and may be reported as required by law to the National Practitioner Data Bank and the Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank. 18

12. Respondent agrees that the Board will adopt the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED BY RESPONDENT

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Dated: 1-7-2014

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	FINDINGS OF FACT
	1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for licensing and regulating the
	practice of Massage Therapy in the State of Arizona.
	2. Respondent is the holder of license number MT-10736 to practice as a
Ì	Massage Therapist in the State of Arizona.
	3. In 2013, Respondent advertised on several website offering to perform
	sexual massages.
	4. Respondent's conduct constitutes grounds for discipline under A.R.S. § 32-
	4253(A)(15) (Engaging in sexual activity with a client). "Sexual activity" means offering
	to engage in sexual conduct. A.R.S. § 32-4253(B)(2)(b).
	CONCLUSIONS OF LAW
	1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter and over
	Respondent pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-4201 et seq.
	2. The Board possesses statutory authority to enter into a consent agreement
	with a massage therapist and accept the surrender of an active license from a massage
	therapist who admits to having committed an act which would subject him to discipline
	under the Board's statutes or rules. A.R.S. § 32-4254(N)(2).
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1	ORDER
2	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT License Number MT-10736 issued to Paul
3	Klein to practice as a massage therapist in the State of Arizona is hereby surrendered.
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5	DATED this day of, 2014.
6	ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY
7 8	(Seal)
9	By: KATHLEEN PHILLIPS
10	KATHLEEN PHILLIPS Executive Director
11	ORIGINAL OF THE FORGOING FILED this day of, 2014, with:
12	Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy
13	1700 West Washington, Suite 250 Phoenix, Arizona 85007
14	EXECUTED COPY OF THE FOREGOING MAILED
15 16	BY CERTIFIED MAIL this day of, 2014, to:
17	Paul Klein Address of Record
18	Respondent
19	EXECUTED COPY OF THE FOREGOING MAILED this day of, 2014, to:
20	Elizabeth A. Campbell Assistant Attorney General
21	1275 W. Washington Street, CIV/LES Phoenix, Arizona 85007
22	Attorney for the Board
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