

Applicant for Licensure as a Massage Therapist in the State of Arizona

#### **CONSENT AGREEMENT**

As Barbara Kunz ("Applicant") has made application to the Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy (the "Board") for licensure as a massage therapist and, consistent with the public interest, statutory requirements and the responsibilities of the Board under A.R.S. § 32-4201, *et. seq.*, the Board and Applicant enter into the following Recitals, Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order ("Consent Agreement") for licensure with probation.

#### **RECITALS**

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

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

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

9 4. Applicant acknowledges and agrees that, upon signing this Consent
10 Agreement and returning this document to the Board's Deputy Director, she may not
11 revoke her acceptance of the Consent Agreement or make any modifications to the
12 document regardless of whether the Consent Agreement has been signed by the Deputy
13 Director. Any modification to this original document is ineffective and void unless
14 mutually agreed by Applicant and the Board in writing.

15 5. Applicant understands that the Consent Agreement shall not become
16 effective unless and until signed by the Board's Deputy Director on behalf of the Board.

17 6. This Consent Agreement is subject to the approval of the Board and is 18 effective only when accepted by the Board and signed by the Deputy Director. In the 19 event that the Board does not approve this Consent Agreement, it is withdrawn and shall 20 be of no evidentiary value and shall not be relied upon nor introduced in any action by 21 any party, except that the parties agree that should the Board reject this Consent 22 Agreement and this case proceeds to hearing, Applicant shall assert no claim that the 23 Board was prejudiced by its review and discussion of this document or any records 24 relating thereto.

25 26 7. If a court of competent jurisdiction rules that any part of this Consent
 Agreement is void or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the Consent Agreement
 shall remain in full force and effect.

8. Applicant understands that this Consent Agreement is a public record that
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.

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9. Applicant understands that any violation of this Consent Agreement may
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10 10. Applicant agrees that the Board will adopt the following Findings of Fact,
11 Conclusions of Law and Order.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED BY BARBARA KUNZ

Barbara Kunz Barbara Kunz

Dated: 12.13-2012

## **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. On or about January 24, 2012, Applicant applied for licensure as a massage therapist in the State of Arizona.

Being convicted of a felony is grounds for disciplinary action. A.R.S. § 32-4253(A)(4). Applicant was convicted of felony manslaughter by culpable negligence on March 5, 2003, in Lake County, Florida.

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# **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter and over Applicant pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1901 *et seq*.

2. The Board, having heard the statements made by Applicant, hereby closes its investigation and finds that Applicant currently meets the requirements for licensure under A.R.S. § 32-4222, subject to the terms of this Consent Agreement.

## <u>ORDER</u>

Based upon the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Subject to the terms of this Order, Applicant is hereby issued a license to practice massage therapy in Arizona.

2. Applicant's license is immediately placed on PROBATION for two years from the date of licensure subject to the following terms:

a. Eleven (11) months from Applicant's date of licensure with the Board, Applicant shall request in writing that the Board terminate the probation. Applicant's request for termination will be considered at a regularly scheduled Board meeting. Applicant is required to personally appear at that Board meeting. <u>Applicant's probationary period will continue until Applicant's request for</u> <u>termination is received and the Board terminates the probation</u>. The Board must grant Applicant's request to terminate probation before Applicant may renew her license.

b. Throughout the term of Applicant's probation, Applicant shall personally appear before the Board when requested to do so by the Board or Board staff.

Applicant shall obey all federal and state laws and rules governing

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the practice of Massage Therapists. 1 2 d. Applicant shall pay all costs associated with complying with this 3 Consent Agreement. 4 If Applicant violates this Order in any way or fails to fulfill the e. 5 requirements of this Order, the Board, after giving notice and the opportunity to be heard, may revoke, suspend or take other disciplinary actions against the license. 6 7 The issue at such a hearing will be limited solely to whether this Order has been 8 violated. 9 DATED this 13th day of December, 2012. 10 ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE 11 THERAPY 12 13 (Seal) 14 By: 15 **Deputy Director** 16 ORIGINAL OF THE FORGOING FILED this 13th day of December, 2012, with: 17 Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy 18 1400 West Washington, Suite 300 Phoenix, Arizona 85007 19 EXECUTED COPY OF THE FOREGOING MAILED 20 this 13th day of December, 2012, to: 21 Barbara Kunz Address of Record 22 Elizabeth A. Campbell 23 Assistant Attorney General 1275 W. Washington Street, CIV/LES 24 Phoenix, Arizona 85007 Attorney for the Board 25 #2965854 26