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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board Of Certification, Inc., Athletic Trainers

FROM: Coralyn Powell, Senior Administrative Assistant
Board of Medicine, Discipline

DATE: June 2, 2025

RE: **Actions of the Virginia Board of Medicine**

Enclosed are copies of an action taken by the Board of Medicine regarding the following licensee(s):

Licensee	License No.	Sanction	Date
Tobias, Paul, W., A.T. Buena Vista, VA	0126-001639	Mandatory suspension based on felony conviction in the Circuit Court for the City of Buena Vista, VA, to wit: aggravated sexual battery.	5/5/2025

The order and related documents may also be accessed at www.dhp.virginia.gov through either "License Lookup", "Doctors Profiles" or "Case Decisions". Should you have any questions, please contact our office at (804) 367-4505.



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May 5, 2025

**DUPLICATE COPY
VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL**

DATE 5/5/25

Paul William Tobias, A.T.
2027 Chestnut Ave
Buena Vista, VA 24416

**RE: License Number: 0126-001639
Case Number: 247432**

Dear Paul William Tobias:

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, you are hereby given notice that your license to practice as an athletic trainer in the Commonwealth of Virginia has been mandatorily suspended by the enclosed Order entered May 5, 2025. You are hereby advised that you may not practice as an athletic trainer or hold yourself out as a licensed athletic trainer unless and until the Board of Medicine ("Board") has notified you in writing that your license has been reinstated. Please return all copies of your license in your possession to the Board immediately.

You may apply to the Board for reinstatement of your license at any time, and you shall be entitled to a formal administrative hearing before the Board. The reinstatement of your license shall require the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of the Board present at the hearing. You may contact Sean Nealon at (804) 367-4571 to obtain the reinstatement application.

Additional information regarding this mandatory suspension may be found at www.dhp.virginia.gov/PractitionerResources/MandatorySuspensionFAQ. If you have any further questions, you can contact me at (804) 367-4678 or michael.parsons@dhp.virginia.gov.

Sincerely,

J. Michael Parsons, Adjudication Consultant
Administrative Proceedings Division

cc: William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director, Virginia Board of Medicine

Enclosures

Board of Audiology & Speech-Language Pathology – Board of Counseling – Board of Dentistry – Board of Funeral Directors & Embalmers
Board of Long-Term Care Administrators – Board of Medicine – Board of Nursing – Board of Optometry – Board of Pharmacy
Board of Physical Therapy – Board of Psychology – Board of Social Work – Board of Veterinary Medicine – Board of Health Professions

BEFORE THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

IN RE: PAUL WILLIAM TOBIAS, A.T.
License Number: 0126-001639
Case Number: 247432


ORDER OF MANDATORY SUSPENSION

In accordance with Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, the Director of the Virginia Department of Health Professions received evidence that Paul William Tobias, A.T., was convicted of a felony offense, to wit: aggravated sexual battery, in the Circuit Court for the City of Buena Vista, Virginia. A copy of the Amended Conviction and Sentencing Order is attached hereto as Commonwealth's Exhibit 1.

WHEREUPON, by the authority vested in the Director of the Department of Health Professions pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, it is hereby ORDERED that the license of Paul William Tobias, A.T., to practice as an athletic trainer in the Commonwealth of Virginia is hereby SUSPENDED.

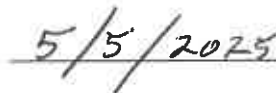
Upon entry of this Order, the license of Paul William Tobias, A.T., will be recorded as suspended. Should Mr. Tobias seek reinstatement of his license pursuant to Virginia Code § 54.1-2409, he shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement of the license prior to issuance of the license to resume practice.

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-4023 and § 54.1-2400.2, the signed original of this Order shall remain in the custody of the Department of Health Professions as a public record and shall be made available for public inspection or copying on request.



Arne W. Owens, Director
Virginia Department of Health Professions

ENTERED:



CERTIFICATION OF DUPLICATE RECORDS

As Director of the Department of Health Professions, I hereby certify that the attached Amended Conviction and Sentencing Order entered May 2, 2025, regarding Paul William Tobias, A.T., is a true copy of the records received from the Circuit Court for the City of Buena Vista, Virginia.


Arne W. Owens


Date

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CITY OF BUENA VISTA

Hearing Date: April 17, 2025

Judge: Honorable Christopher B. Russell

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

v.

FIPS CODE: 530

PAUL WILLIAM TOBIAS, Defendant

AMENDED CONVICTION AND SENTENCING ORDER

CASE NUMBER	OFFENSE DESCRIPTION, INDICATOR & TRACKING NO.	OFFENSE DATE	VA CODE SECTION	VCC CODE
CR24000158-00	Aggravated Sexual Battery (F) OTN: 530GM2400000616	04/25/2024	18.2-67.3.A.5	RAP-1116-F9

This day came the defendant, who appeared in person with his attorney, Don Burks.

The Commonwealth was represented by Joshua Elrod.

Thereupon the defendant was arraigned as charged in the indictment and pleaded *guilty* to the charge. The Court was advised that there was a plea agreement in this matter, and such agreement in writing was presented to the Court and made a part of the record. After hearing a summary of the evidence by the attorney for the Commonwealth, the Court accepted said agreement and found the defendant *guilty* of one count of aggravated sexual battery.

The defendant, with the concurrence of the Commonwealth and the Court, waived his right to a pre-sentence investigation.

Before pronouncing sentence, the Court inquired if the defendant desired to make a statement and if the defendant desired to advance any reason why judgment should not be pronounced. Nothing having been offered, it was the opinion of the Court that the defendant should be sentenced.



The Court SENTENCED the defendant in accordance with the plea agreement as follows:

Incarceration with the Virginia Department of Corrections for a period of five (5) years.

The Court SUSPENDED all of the said sentence for a period of ten (10) years upon the following terms and conditions:

Probation. The defendant was placed on supervised probation for a period of four (4) years. The defendant was ordered to comply with all the rules and requirements set by the Probation Officer or by the Court.

No Contact. The defendant was ordered to have no contact with the two victims in these cases.

Contact With Minors. The defendant's sex offender status prohibits certain contact between the defendant and minor children. The defendant shall not be prohibited from contact with his own children.

Sex Offender Registration. In accordance with §9.1-902 of the *1950 Code of Virginia*, as amended, the defendant shall register and re-register with the Virginia Sex Offender and Crimes Against Minors Registry.

Costs. The defendant was ordered to pay all costs associated with this proceeding during his period of supervised probation.

Good Behavior. The defendant was ordered to keep the peace, obey all laws and be of good behavior.

DNA Analysis. The defendant shall permit a sample of blood, saliva or tissue be taken for DNA analysis to be sent to the Division of Forensic Science within fifteen (15) days after

taking the sample, as set forth in §19.2-310.2 and §19.2-310.3 of the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended.

The Attorney for the Commonwealth moved for the entry of a *nolle prosequi* on the following charges, to which motion the defendant consented:


CASE NUMBER	OFFENSE DESCRIPTION, INDICATOR & TRACKING NO.	OFFENSE DATE	VA CODE SECTION	VCC CODE
CR24000157-00	Aggravated Sexual Battery (F) OTN: 530GM2400000615	04/24/2024	18.2-67.3.A.5	RAP-1116-F9
CR24000159-00	Aggravated Sexual Battery (F) OTN: 530GM2400000860	011/01/2023	18.2-67.3.A.5	RAP-1116-F9

The Court granted the *nolle prosequi* on the said charges.

The Court certified that at all times during the disposition of this matter the defendant was present and was capably represented.

Thereupon the defendant was allowed to depart.

ENTERED:


Christopher B. Russell, Judge

DATE:

05/02/25

DEFENDANT IDENTIFICATION:

SSN: XXX-XX-8904 DOB: 03/31/1980 SEX: MALE RACE: WHITE

SENTENCING SUMMARY:

TOTAL SENTENCE IMPOSED: 5 YEARS
TOTAL SENTENCE SUSPENDED: 5 YEARS
TOTAL SENTENCE TO SERVE: NONE