



CONSENT AGREEMENT

This Consent Agreement is made by and between the Board of Certification, Inc., ("BOC"), a North Carolina non-profit corporation with a place of business at 1411 Harney Street, Suite 100, Omaha, Nebraska, 68102, and Brooke Taylor ("Respondent") of [REDACTED] referred to hereinafter collectively as the "Parties."

WHEREAS, Respondent has been certified by the BOC (Certification Number 2000037265) as having satisfied the requirements established by the BOC with regards to knowledge and professional competence in the area of entry-level athletic training; and

WHEREAS, the Parties have stipulated to the truth and accuracy of the following:

1. September 16, 2025, BOC received a news alert stating that on August 11, 2025 Respondent was issued a Statement of Charges by the State of Washington Department of Health (Board) for unprofessional conduct in practicing outside their scope of practice.
2. September 17, 2025, BOC sent Respondent an Investigation Notice electronically via Eversign. On October 13, 2025, Respondent provided a written statement, "I decided to attempt a small athletic training clinic in order to make an income in the expensive state far from home. There, I saw a variety of athletes and other patients looking for my treatment options which mostly included Graston and Cupping Therapy. At the time, I was trying to start my business and didn't realize the fine lines that may have been crossed."
3. On January 29, 2026, the Board issued a Final Order (Order) stating, "At all relevant times, Respondent owned, operated, and was sole practitioner for The Rising Soul LLC in Mountlake Terrace, Washington. While operating The Rising Soul, LLC,

Respondent distributed business cards listing her specialties as soft and deep tissue massage; acupressure and trigger point release; cupping, and Graston; injury diagnosis and concussion evaluation; shiatsu treatment; and rehabilitation. The Rising Soul LLC website, advertised and allowed clients to book services that included Swedish massage; deep tissue massage; acupressure; active release treatment; shiatsu treatment; trigger point release; rehabilitation and injury prevention; Graston scarring treatment; online injury diagnosis and treatment; and online rehabilitation sessions. From approximately November to December 2023, Respondent provided treatment to clients that included, but was not limited to, individuals recovering from a car accident and remote workers complaining of neck pain. Respondent's chart notes documented her examinations and diagnosis, treatment plans, and take-home instructions for clients. Respondent provided these treatments to clients despite lacking specified guidelines from a healthcare provider licensed to perform the services." Respondent's unprofessional conduct constitutes a violation of RCW 18.130.180 (12), based on RCW 18.108.010, RCW 18.250.010, and RCW 18.250.070. As a result the Board issued an Order for Indefinite Suspension of the Respondent's license.

4. The Respondent's conduct also violates the Code of Professional Responsibility ("Code") 3.2 of the *BOC Standards of Professional Practice* ("BOC Practice Standards") in that the Respondent failed to know and comply with applicable local, state and/or federal rules, requirements, regulations and/or laws related to the practice of athletic training.

5. The above-described Code violation constitutes grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to Section 9 of the *BOC Professional Practice and Discipline Guidelines and Procedures* ("BOC Discipline Procedures").

WHEREAS, Respondent, in consideration of this Consent Agreement and for the purpose of terminating the BOC's investigation and the disciplinary proceedings against them, voluntarily admits that their actions as set forth above violate Code 3.2 of the BOC Practice Standards and agrees that, for purposes of this or any future proceeding before the BOC, this Consent Agreement shall have the same effect as if ordered after a full hearing held pursuant to Section 7 of the BOC Discipline Procedures.

WHEREAS, the Respondent understands and acknowledges Respondent's rights to a hearing and to appeal a decision by a hearing panel, but waives those rights and stipulates and agrees to the issuance of this Consent Agreement without further proceedings in this matter, and agrees to be fully bound by the terms and conditions specified herein; and

WHEREAS, the BOC Chief Executive Officer has consented to the execution of this Consent Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 3 of the BOC Discipline Procedures and in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby stipulate and agree to the following:

1. The Parties agree that this Consent Agreement shall be and hereby is legally binding and is in full and complete settlement and resolution of any and all charges and/or claims that were or could have been brought by the BOC regarding the actions of Respondent as set forth above and shall constitute an admission by the Respondent that their actions violated Code 3.2 of the BOC Practice Standards.

2. In exchange for the summary termination of the BOC's investigation into Respondent's conduct as described above, Respondent voluntarily admits: (1) that the facts set forth in Paragraphs 1-3 on Pages 1 and 2 above; (2) that Respondent's actions, violate Code 3.2 of the BOC Practice Standards. Respondent further agrees that for purposes of this or any future proceeding before the BOC, this Consent Agreement shall have the same effect as if ordered after a full hearing held pursuant to Section 7 of the BOC Discipline Procedures.

3. Respondent waives all right to a hearing on the merits of this matter as provided in Section 7 of the BOC Disciplinary Procedures.

4. Respondent waives all right to appeal the charges and/or claims set forth herein to the BOC or to any administrative, regulatory, judicial or other forum.

5. Respondent waives all right to challenge or otherwise contest the validity of this Consent Agreement to the BOC or to any administrative, regulatory, judicial or other forum. The Consent Agreement may be enforced by either party in an action at law or equity.

6. Respondent consents to and agrees that they shall comply at all times with the BOC Practice Standards.

7. Respondent consents to and agrees that they are issued a PUBLIC CENSURE. A Public Censure is a published written reprimand from the BOC to the Respondent. It shall be standard procedure to publish Public Censures; this includes but is not limited to the Disciplinary Action Exchange, State Regulatory Agencies and the "BOC Cert Update."

8. Respondent consents to and agrees to complete three (3) hours of continuing education in professional responsibility and ethics administered by a BOC Approved Provider. Such a course(s) may be synchronous or asynchronous.

9. Respondent consents to and agrees that Respondent's certification status is considered CERTIFIED.

10. All reports required by the terms of this Consent Agreement shall be due according to a schedule to be established by the BOC. Documentation showing completion of the required continuing education courses must be received by the BOC no later than June 30, 2026. All correspondence and reports concerning the above restrictions and/or requirements are to be addressed to BOC Professional Practice and Discipline Committee.

11. Any alleged breach of any provision of this Consent Agreement by Respondent may, at the sole and absolute discretion of the BOC, result in the following actions:

- a. The BOC shall notify Respondent in writing by certified mail or by tracked courier, return receipt requested, or by secure electronic delivery with receipt verification (e.g., Eversign) that the term(s) of this Consent Agreement have been breached and include a description of the acts or omission(s) constituting a breach the term(s) of this Consent Agreement. Such a breach may result in the Respondent's state athletic trainer agency and/or current employer being contacted as permitted by Section 14.2 of the BOC Discipline Guidelines.
- b. Respondent shall be allowed fifteen (15) days from the date of the receipt of notification required in Paragraph 11 (a) above to demonstrate to the sole satisfaction of the BOC that Respondent has cured the breach in question.
- c. Failure to cure the breach within the fifteen (15) day time period to the satisfaction of the BOC, will terminate the BOC's obligations under this Consent Agreement and will cause the original matter, as described in Paragraphs 1-3 on Pages 1 and 2 above, to be referred to the BOC Professional Practice and Discipline Committee ("PPD Committee"), which shall make a final determination of the disciplinary action, if any, to be taken.
- d. In addition, Respondent's breach of any term of this Consent Agreement may constitute an additional and independent Code violation and may provide separate grounds for the BOC to suspend, revoke or otherwise take action with regard to Respondent's BOC certification.

12. Any notice by the BOC pertaining to this Consent Agreement shall be sufficient if sent to Respondent at the last address of record Respondent has reported to the BOC, or to an attorney designated by Respondent.

13. Respondent agrees that the factual and legal allegations as contained in this Consent Agreement shall be deemed true and admitted in any subsequent proceeding before the BOC in which Respondent's compliance with this Consent Agreement or the BOC Practice Standards is at issue.

14. Any extension of time or grace period for reporting granted by the BOC in its sole and absolute discretion shall not be a waiver or preclude the BOC from taking action at a later time. The BOC shall not be required to grant any waiver, extensions of time or grace periods.

15. This Consent Agreement shall be binding on and shall inure to the benefit of the Parties, their successors, assigns, or other legal representatives.

16. No waiver, change, amendment, or discharge of any term or condition hereof and no consent of either Party shall be of any force or effect unless made in writing and signed by both Parties or by duly authorized agents of the Parties. Any waiver granted by the BOC shall be at the sole and absolute discretion of the BOC and shall not constitute a continuing waiver.

17. This Consent Agreement contains the entire understanding between the Parties and supersedes any and all pre-existing understandings, either oral or written, between the Parties relating to the subject matter hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Consent Agreement, effective as of the 26th day of April 2026.

Board of Certification, Inc.

Anne M. Minton

Signature

Anne M Minton

Printed Name

Chief Executive Officer

Title

Apr 14 2026

Date

Brooke Taylor

Signature

Brooke Taylor

Printed Name

Mar 27 2026

Date