

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND
PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION
BOARD OF PHARMACY**

**IN THE MATTER OF:
GUIJUAN ZHOU
LICENSE NUMBER MT01980
COMPLAINT NUMBER C15-673**

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF MASSAGE THERAPIST LICENSE

Pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws §§ 23-20.8-5(a)(3) and -6, and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder, the Department of Health ("Department") has investigated a complaint alleging that Guijuan Zhou ("Respondent") is not currently in compliance with requirements to receive a Rhode Island license as massage therapist, and had voluntarily surrendered her Florida massage therapist license. After consideration by the Department, the following constitute the Findings of Fact:

1. Respondent is licensed as a massage therapist in Rhode Island and holds license number MT01980.
2. Respondent's voluntarily relinquishment of her Florida massage therapist license was approved on or about November 5, 2013.
3. Such relinquishment occurred because Respondent had not graduated from a certified massage therapist school.

Based on the foregoing, the parties agree as follows:

1. Respondent has been a licensed massage therapist and has been able to practice as a licensed massage therapist under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Rhode Island.

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2. Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Department and hereby agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Department.
3. Respondent has read this Voluntary Surrender Order and understands that it is a proposal of the Department and is subject to the final ratification by the Department. This Voluntary Surrender Order and the contents thereof are not binding on Respondent until final ratification by the Department.
4. Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:
 - a) The right to appear personally or by counsel or both before the Department;
 - b) The right to produce witnesses and evidence in her behalf at a hearing;
 - c) The right to cross-examine witnesses;
 - d) The right to have subpoenas issued by the Department;
 - e) The right to further procedural steps except for those specifically contained herein;
 - f) Any objection to the fact that this Voluntary Surrender Order will be presented to the Department for consideration and review;
 - g) Any objection to the fact that it will be necessary for the Department to become acquainted with all evidence pertaining to this matter in order to adequately review this Voluntary Surrender Order;
 - h) Any objection to the fact that the Department reviewing this Voluntary Surrender Order may be the same as the hearing committee presiding over this matter should it later be brought to an administrative hearing;
 - i) Any objection to the fact that potential bias against the Respondent may occur as a result of the presentation of this Voluntary Surrender Order to the Department; and
 - j) This Voluntary Surrender Order shall become part of the public record of this proceeding once it is accepted by all parties and accepted by the Department.
5. Acceptance by the Respondent and approval by the Department of this Voluntary Surrender Order does not constitute an admission of the facts contained herein.

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6. Respondent hereby voluntarily surrenders her massage therapist license the State of Rhode Island.
7. Respondent shall, in writing, request reinstatement of her license as a massage therapist in the event that Respondent completes the requirements for such a license under Rhode Island law. If and when Respondent's request is approved by the Department, Respondent shall submit any application required by the Department at that time and shall fulfill any and all requirements and fees of the application, assuming such application may be necessary due either to the expiration of the current license, or the passage of years that would indicate a need for updated continuing education.
8. In the event that Respondent applies to the Department for reinstatement of licensure as a pharmacist in this State, Respondent may be subject to further disciplinary action if and when further facts arising from those contained herein are presented to the Board or delegated hearing officer upon submission of Respondent's application.
9. Respondent agrees that her failure to abide by the terms of this Voluntary Surrender shall result in further disciplinary action by the Board. Respondent shall be entitled to a hearing to determine if she violates any terms of this Voluntary Surrender Order, upon notice of such violation, pursuant to R.I. General Laws § 42-35-9.
10. Respondent shall inform any and all jurisdictions in which it holds a massage therapist license, and which has not already adjudicated a case involving the same underlying facts, of this Voluntary Surrender within ten days of the effective date of this order.

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Agreed to by the parties:

8-26-15
Date

Gui Juan Zhou
Guijuan Zhou
License Number MT01980

10.14.15
Date

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Board Manager, Massage Therapists