

# Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Committee on Rules  
DATE: March 27, 2025  
BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst  
RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



## STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPISTS

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The Governor has appointed the following individual to the State Board of Massage Therapists subject to Senate confirmation.<sup>1</sup>

### New Appointee

John Giles of Salem

### Term

May 1, 2025 – April 25, 2027

### Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 687.115 \(2023\)](#)

### Statement of Economic Interest<sup>2</sup>

Not required.

### Composition<sup>3</sup>

The board consists of seven Oregon residents, including:

- four licensed massage therapists (FULFER, GRAY, REILLY, ROWAN);
- one public member representing a health-related field (**GILES**); and
- two other public members (ENGLISH, ODLE).

Members serve four-year terms. The massage therapists may be selected from a list of nominees submitted by applicable professional organizations. Public members may not be massage therapists or a spouse, domestic partner, child, parent, or sibling of a massage therapist.

### Duties<sup>4</sup>

The board regulates the practice of massage therapy and must report all cases warranting a criminal prosecution. The board may adopt rules

- establishing sanitary and hygienic standards, and health, safety, and infection control requirements for premises and facilities used by massage therapists;

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<sup>1</sup> [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562 \(2023\)](#) and [171.565 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>2</sup> [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>3</sup> [ORS 687.115 \(2023\)](#); [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

<sup>4</sup> [ORS 687.121 to 687.250 \(2023\)](#).

- relating to the methods and procedures used in the practice of massage;
- governing licensure, including education and training requirements; and
- regarding any other matter that the board reasonably considers necessary and proper for the administration and enforcement of its authority.



## Massage Therapists, State Board of

Agency: **Semi-Independent**

Authorization: **ORS 687.115**

Min Members: **7** Max Members: **7**

Term Length: **4** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Health**

Board Admin: **Robert Ruark**

Address:

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**Suite 220**

**Salem, OR 97301**

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## Current Appointments

**Fulfer, Melissa**

Licensed Massage Therapist

Position Number: **1**

Term(s): **2/17/2024 - 2/16/2028**

**Reilly, Raymond**

Licensed Massage Therapist

Position Number: **2**

Term(s): **2/17/2024 - 2/16/2026**

**Ms Gray, Carol A**

Licensed massage Therapist

Position Number: **3**

Term(s): **10/1/2024 - 9/30/2028**  
**10/1/2020 - 9/30/2024**

**Odle, Maria E**

Public Member

Position Number: **6**

Term(s): **11/25/2023 - 11/24/2027**  
**11/25/2019 - 11/24/2023**

**Rowan, Beckett K**

Licensed Massage Therapist

Position Number: **4**

Term(s): **4/1/2021 - 3/31/2025**

**English, John**

Public Member

Position Number: **5**

Term(s): **10/5/2023 - 10/4/2027**

**Giles, John**

Public Member

Position Number: **7**

Term(s): **5/1/2025 - 4/25/2027**

## Vacant Positions