

LOUISIANA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

IN THE MATTER OF ESTABLISHMENT LICENSE APPLICATION FOR:

**ROSE SPA 506, INC.
506 Terry Parkway, Suite B
Terrytown, LA 70056**

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSION OF LAW AND ORDER

Pursuant to La. R.S. 37:3555(B) and applicable provisions of the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, an administrative hearing was held before the Louisiana Board of Massage Therapy (“Board”) on September 25, 2023 relative to the Application for Establishment License of ROSE SPA 506, INC. submitted by Hongxia Wang.

Present were: Toshii Cooper, Amie Dudzinski; Donna M. Green; Kathryn Lea Love, Chair; Karla Swacker; and Rosemary H. Wilkinson, Board Members;

Sheri M. Morris, Counsel for the Board;

James Raines, Complaint Counsel;

Mandarin Chinese Language Interpreter, Liu Ting Chen; and

Hongxia Wang, owner of Rose Spa 506, Inc. (“Applicant”).

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On or about May 17, 2023, Hongxia Wang submitted a Louisiana Application for Establishment License with Verifying Affidavit for ROSE MASSAGE 506, INC. to be located at 506 Terry Parkway, Suite B in Terrytown with phone number (225) 288-9629, (“Application”), (Board Exhibit A).
2. Records filed with the Louisiana Secretary of State on May 18, 2023 show Hongxia Wang is the registered agent and President of ROSE MASSAGE 506, INC., (Board Exhibit A).
3. Hongxia Wang was arrested on July 9, 2020, in Valdosta, Georgia for prostitution and sexual battery, (Board Exhibit B). No additional documentation regarding the arrest was presented; therefore, the disposition of any charges resulting from the arrest are unknown.
4. On or about April 17, 2023, Yong Li submitted an Application for Establishment License for LA Massage with the same location on the Application. Yong Li’s application for establishment license with the same location was denied by the Board on June 23, 2023.
5. Yong Li, owner of LA Massage, Establishment License No. E4715 sent a letter to the Board stating she owned the establishment in 2022 with Huang Wang and that she paid the \$1,000 fine, (Board Exhibit A).

6. Advertisements with the address on the Application were found on websites which advertise sexually-oriented services including BackListAd.com, BackPageGals.com, MyEscortNetwork, SumoSearch, AdultGirlsMap, BodyRubMassage, and AdultListMap.com. Advertisements on websites advertising sexually-oriented businesses with the address on the Application included women in lingerie represented to be massage therapists, (Board Exhibit B).
7. On or about June 21, 2023, the Board sent a Notice of Intent to Deny establishment application and Notice of Hearing to Applicant via email and U.S. regular and Certified Mail No. 9589 0710 5270 0580 6084 64 and advised the administrative hearing would be held on September 25, 2023 at 9:30 a.m., (Board Exhibit C).
8. On or about August 24, 2023, the Board's Investigator observed a sign for "LA Massage" on the outside of the location, an open sign that was not on and an establishment license on the wall for LA Massage. No massage therapists licenses were posted in a conspicuous place. Mickey Chang, who was dressed in a strapless dress, asked the Board's Investigator if she had an appointment. The woman stated she was not the massage therapist but the massage therapist would be back in an hour. Business cards and brochures for LA Massage Spa, License No. E4396 with the location on the Application and included pricing for massage services were available at the location.
9. Hongxia Wang testified under oath with the assistance of the Language Interpreter:
 - a. She is not a licensed massage therapist.
 - b. She purchased the business from Yong Li on May 18, 2023. She tried to contact Yong Li regarding the Notice of Intent to Deny Application but received no response.
 - c. The business has been closed but the next-door neighbor said sometimes people would smash the windows so, she has the neighbors keeping an eye on things.
 - d. She has a friend, who is a licensed massage therapist, who is interested in working for her business. Her friend worked for the prior owner.
 - e. She does not know anything about the advertisements. The business has not been operating since she bought it. She is trying to resolve the matter with the prior owner who is not responding.
 - f. She has a different phone number from Rose Massage.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

La. R.S. 37:3558(D) prohibits licensure of a sexually oriented businesses as a massage establishment.

ORDER

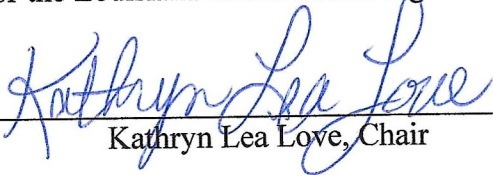
Considering the applicable law and evidence;

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Application for Establishment License of ROSE SPA 506, INC. submitted by Hongxia Wang is hereby DENIED; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that Hongxia Wang and ROSE SPA 506, INC., are ineligible for licensure by the Louisiana Board of Massage Therapy until Applicant demonstrates compliance with all laws.

Signed this 19 day of March 2024.

For the Louisiana Board of Massage Therapy



Kathryn Lea Love, Chair

Please notify via Certified U.S. Mail:

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