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January 29, 2025

The Honorable Elaine F. Marshall Secretary of State PO Box 29622 Raleigh, NC 27626-0622

Dear Secretary Marshall:

I am writing to report for the year ending September 30, 2024. A copy of the licensure statute, Article 22, and a list of the Board's licensees is available at our website: https://ncboeslpa.org

Please accept this report created to comply with G.S. 93B-2 and G.S. 93B-4. S

(1) The address of the board, and the names of its members and officers.

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Board Members as of 9/30/2024

Sherri Smith, Audiology Member – Chair Douglas Garrison, Audiology Member Lillian Henderson, Speech & Language Pathology Member Elizabeth Maynor, Speech & Language Pathology Member Eric Formeister, Physician Member Brenda Fairfax, Public Member MaryJane Richardson, Public Member Board Counsel: Nahale Kalfas Executive Director: Denise Brown

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The total number of licensees supervised by the board. (1a) As of September 30, 2024, there were 9,151 licensees supervised by the Board and there were 507 registered assistants. (2) The number of persons who applied to the board for examination. This Board uses the Praxis Examination as its required examination and does not have its own examination process. (3) The number who were refused examination. Not applicable. (4)The number who took the examination. Not applicable. (5) The number to whom initial licenses were issued. There were 793 individuals who had not been previously licensed and were granted a full, unrestricted license by this Board. The number who failed the examination. (5a) Not known (6)The number who applied for a license by reciprocity or comity. 510 individuals applied for a license through reciprocity. (7)The number who were granted for a license by reciprocity or comity. 509 individuals were granted licenses through reciprocity. The number of official complaints received involving licensed and unlicensed activities. (7a)

The number of disciplinary actions taken against licensees or other actions taken against non-

14 official complaints were received.

licensees, including injunctive relief.

(7b)



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The Board took 2 disciplinary actions against a licensee.

(8) The number of licenses suspended or revoked.

2 licenses were suspended or revoked

(9) The number of licenses terminated for any reason other than failure to pay the required renewal fee.

No licenses were terminated for a reason other than failure to pay the required renewal fee.

- (9a) The number of applicants for a license and, of that number, the number granted a license.
 - 1,142 individuals applied for either a temporary license, a permanent license through reciprocity or permanent license from a temporary status. Of those, 1,138 were granted either a temporary or a permanent license. This number includes individuals who moved from a temporary license to a permanent license. 3 of the temporary applicants were deemed eligible upon receipt of their plans of supervision, but they did not provide the plans. Note that application fees are not required for individuals whose temporary year has been approved and are then eligible for a permanent license.
- (9b) The number of applicants with a conviction record and, of that number, the number granted a license, denied a license for any reason, and denied a license because of a conviction.

7 applications with criminal convictions were reviewed, and all were granted licenses.

(9c) The number of applicants with military training, the number granted a license, the number denied a license for any reason, and a summary of the reasons for denial. The information provided in accordance with this subdivision shall not disclose any identifying information of any applicant.

The Board received no applications from individuals who were considered active military.

(9d) The number of applicants who are military spouses, the number granted a license, the number denied a license for any reason, and a summary of the reasons for denial. The information provided in accordance with this subdivision shall not disclose any identifying information of any applicant.

The Board received 15 applications from individuals who were considered military spouses and all were granted licensure.

(10) The substance of any anticipated request by the Occupational Licensing Board to the General Assembly to amend statutes related to the Occupational Licensing Board.

The Board may be requesting a revision to the statutes to allow the Board to purchase property due to the high expense of renting and as an effort to maintain reasonable renewal fees for licensees.

(11) The substance of any anticipated change in rules adopted by the occupational licensing



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board or the substance of any anticipated adoption of new rules by the occupational licensing board.

The Board is considering revising the rules for the supervision of SLP-Assistants to help provide clarity and reduce the number of violations that we are seeing.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. Denise Brown, Executive Director