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## **TDLR permanently revokes Bedford man's Massage Therapist license**

**AUSTIN** – The Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation has permanently revoked a Bedford man's massage therapist license after he was accused of sexually assaulting a woman during a massage.

Sting Ray Salgado signed a settlement agreement with the Department agreeing to revocation of his massage therapist license for the rest of his life. The terms of the Agreed Order state that Salgado will never be eligible to practice massage therapy or own a massage establishment in Texas.

According to the agreed order, Salgado worked for Massage Envy at Montgomery Plaza, 2600 W. 7<sup>th</sup> St., in Fort Worth. The victim told Fort Worth police that Salgado had engaged in sexual contact by inappropriately touching her during a massage on Jan. 14, 2018. The victim told police that during the assault she was in shock and not sure what to do.

"Most massage therapists are law-abiding care providers, but we will do what we need to do to protect the public from people who should not be in this profession," said Brian E. Francis, TDLR executive director. "A lifetime ban from practicing massage therapy and from owning a massage establishment is the type of consumer protection that Texans deserve."

### About TDLR

*TDLR provides regulatory oversight for a broad range of occupations, businesses, facilities, and equipment in Texas. The agency protects the health and safety of Texans by ensuring they are served by qualified, licensed professionals. Inspections of individuals, businesses, and equipment are done on a regular basis to safeguard the public. Currently, the agency regulates 38 business and occupational licensing programs with more than 1,000,000 licensees across the state.*

Visit TDLR's [website](#) for more information and resources. You can search the [TDLR licensee database](#), and also find [past violations](#) in which a final order was issued against companies or individuals. TDLR's Customer Service line is available anytime between 7 a.m. until 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, at 1-800-803-9202. TDLR representatives are fluent in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Korean and Mandarin.

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