



# **Board of Tattooist & Body Piercer**

## **Office of Professional Regulation, Vermont Secretary of State**

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### **Minutes**

**April 18, 2023**

**Advisors present:** Michael Mulcahy

**Advisors absent:** Lila Rees

**Staff present:** Lauren Layman, General Counsel; Noura Eltabbakh, Staff Attorney; Derek Everett, Chief Inspector; Tara Grenier, Chief Licensing Administrator; Kasey Mayer, Licensing Administrator I

**Guests:** None

1. 10:01 am Called to order

2. **Changes to Agenda:**

- Michael Mulcahy added to the agenda: age restrictions/protective protocols regarding piercing procedures for minors, inspections on pen machines, and expired products in the tattoo industry.

3. **Discussion Items:**

- Chief Inspector Everett and General Counsel Layman discussed the inclusion of a cosmetic tattooing rule in the upcoming rule revision process. A working group was discussed for the rule revision process, and it was proposed that the group begin meeting by end of summer. Other items to be discussed during the rule revision process include apprenticeship and supervision practices, minors and piercing, hygiene, and sterilization.
- The advisors and the Office also discussed the resumption of random inspections, the inspection process for pen-grip-style machines, the application of protections for minors seeking piercings similar to those in place for minors seeking tattoos, and temporary licenses for visiting artists and trade shows.

3. **Adjourn.** There being no further business to attend the meeting adjourned at meeting at 10:47 am.

### **Upcoming Meeting Dates**

To be scheduled

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