

**BEFORE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY  
OF THE STATE NEW MEXICO**

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

**Case No. PT-2024-00381-COM**

**Jamie Montez  
License No. Unlicensed;  
Respondent.**

**DEFAULT ORDER**

**THIS MATTER** came before the New Mexico Board of Physical Therapy (“Board”) during its regularly scheduled meeting on February 10, 2025, held at 2550 Cerrillos Rd, Santa Fe, NM 87505, for a decision in the above-referenced case. With a quorum present and with a unanimous vote in the affirmative, the Board voted to render this decision and order.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. On or about October 21, 2024, the Board issued a Notice of Contemplated Action (“NCA”) to Jamie Montez (“Respondent”). The NCA stated that the Board had sufficient evidence to impose discipline, on Respondent, pursuant to Physical Therapy Act Sections 61-12D-1 to -18, NMSA 1978 (“Act”), and the Uniform Licensing Act (“ULA”), Sections 61-1-1 to -37 NMSA 1978 (the “ULA”).

2. The NCA stated that Respondent’s alleged conduct, unless explained or rebutted at a formal hearing, justified the Board in imposing an administrative discipline as allowed by law.

3. The NCA further informed Respondent that, if they would like the opportunity for a formal hearing in this matter they must request “a hearing within twenty (20) days after

service of this notice . . . [A] written request for hearing should be sent to the following address:

Hope Rodriguez, Senior Compliance Liaison  
New Mexico Board of Physical Therapy  
Regulation & Licensing Department  
P.O. Box 25101  
Santa Fe, NM 87504  
505-476-4622”

4. On or about October 22, 2024, the U. S. Postal Service (“USPS”) received an envelope containing the NCA that was addressed to the Respondent’s last known address as shown in the Board’s records, via certified mail, return receipt requested (No. 9589 0710 5270 0689 6244 57) and email. The Respondent acknowledged receipt of the NCA on October 24, 2024.

5. Respondent did not request a hearing within twenty (20) days of service of, the last attempted delivery of, or Respondent’s refusal to accept delivery of, the NCA as contemplated by Sections 61-1-4(D)(3) and 61-1-5 of the ULA.

6. Respondent failed to otherwise respond to the NCA.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Based on the Findings of Fact, the Board reaches the following Conclusions of Law:

1. The Board has jurisdiction over Respondent and the subject matter of this proceeding pursuant to the ULA and the Act.

2. When served by certified mail, the NCA is deemed to have been served on the date borne by the return receipt showing delivery or the last attempted delivery of the NCA to the addressee or refusal of the addressee to accept delivery of the NCA. Section 61-1-5 of the ULA.

3. Service of the NCA upon Respondent via certified mail was accomplished in accordance with Sections 61-1-4 and 61-1-5 of the ULA.

4. The Board may take the action contemplated in the NCA if the Respondent does not deposit in the mail a certified return receipt requested letter addressed to the Board containing a request for a hearing within twenty (20) days after service of the NCA. Sections 61-1-4(D)(3) and (E) NMSA 1978 (2022.)

5. More than twenty (20) days have passed since Respondent was served, or is deemed to have been served, with the NCA, and Respondent has failed to request a hearing. Thus, the Board is authorized to take the action contemplated in the NCA pursuant to Section 61-1-4(E) of the ULA.

6. The Board has complied with all notice and other procedural requirements of the ULA.

7. The Board has gathered evidence suggesting that the Respondent violated the Act when they falsified a license to practice as a physical therapy assistant. The Respondent is not licensed by the New Mexico Board of Physical Therapy. Section 61-12D-8 of the Act.

### **ORDER**

Based on the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Board renders this Order.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED** that the Respondent shall Cease and Desist any unlicensed practice as a Physical Therapy Assistant. Further, the Respondent is required to pay to the New Mexico Board of Physical Therapy a fine of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) within 60-days of receipt of this order.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that this Decision and Order shall be served upon Respondent in accordance with Section 61-1-5 of the ULA. The Board chair is designated to sign this Decision and Order on behalf of the Board.

**IT IS SO ORDERED**

Entered: February 12, 2025

**NEW MEXICO BOARD OF PHYSICAL  
THERAPY**

*/s/ Bettina Brown*

Chair, Bettina Brown  
New Mexico Board of Physical Therapy

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document and attachments were sent via certified mail, return receipt requested, to Respondent at their last known address on this 12th day of February 2025.

Jamie Montez  
1820 Hiawatha Ct NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87112

Certified Mail: **7021 0350 0000 7994 2137**

*/s/ Hope Rodriguez*

Hope Rodriguez  
Senior Compliance Liaison  
New Mexico Board of Physical Therapy

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