

**Tennessee Medical Laboratory Board
Personnel and Education Committee
October 18, 2017
Minutes**

Date: October 18, 2017

Time: 1:00 PM CDT

Location: Department of Health Licensure and Regulation
TN Department of Health
Metro Center Complex, Iris Room, Ground Floor
665 Mainstream Drive,
Nashville, TN 37243

Members Present: Kathleen Kenwright, Medical Technologist Educator,
Chairperson
Keisha N. Burnett, S.A. Cytotechnologist
Tereyo M. Cox, Medical Technologist General
Patti J. Walton, Hospital/Lab Manager/Adm. Director
Stephanie Dolsen, Lab Supervisor
Mark Calarco, DO, Independent Laboratory Mgmt./Adm.
Gaye G. Jolly, MT-Hospital Administrator

Members Absent: Royce Joyner, MD, Pathologist Educator
Michael Johnson, Medical Technologist

Staff Present: Lynda S. England, Medical Technologist Consultant,
Director
Nina V. Smith, Medical Technologist Consultant
Caroline Tippens, Deputy General Counsel, Office of
General Counsel

Staff Absent: Kyonzte Hughes-Toombs, Deputy General Counsel, Office
of General Counsel

Presiding Officer: The meeting was conducted by Kathleen Kenwright,
Chairperson

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:04 PM CDT

Introductions: The Board and staff made their introductions to the public
in attendance.

Proceedings and Actions Taken:

Review Correspondence: Personnel Issues:

**Review Initial Applications and/or interview applicants to determine eligibility
or remediation:**

Motion to approve license: Ms. Walton

Second: Dr. Calarco

License Approved

3. Renjini Antony
Dalton, GA

Application: Medical Laboratory Technologist

Degrees: BS, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kerala,
India 2004

MS, Manipal University, Karnataka, India, 2010

Training Program: Mahatma Gandhi University
School of Medical Education, 2004

Equivalence: Bachelor of Science-Medical
Laboratory Technology
Master of Science –Clinical Biochemistry

Certification: ASCPi, International Medical
Laboratory Technologist, IMLS (issued 11-16-2016,
Exp. November 30, 2019) TMLB accepts ASCPi if
issued after 01-01-2015

Board Review: Trained outside of United States

Ms. Antony requested approval to use the 2.5
semester hours from her Masters level Biostatistics
course to fulfill the 3 semester hours math
requirement found in Rule 1200-06-01-.22 (g)

If the Committee did not approve the Biostatistics
course, then she wanted to be licensed as a MLT until
she took a math course.

File Status: All other qualifying documents were
present in the file

**A motion was made to approve license based on the
facts that the Master's level Biostatistics course in
India required 60 hours of attendance and a
Tennessee three semester hour course requires only
45 hours. Ms. Antony also completed a Biophysics
course that further proves that she has the math
skills to meet the Tennessee requirements:** Ms. Jolly

Second: Ms. Dolsen

License Approved

4. Anthony Dapin
Benton, KY

Application: Medical Laboratory Technologist-
General

Degree: B.S., Zamboanga A.E. Colleges, Zamboanga
City, Philippines, 2003

Training Program: Zamboanga City Medical Center,
May 2002 –May 2003

Equivalence: Bachelor of Science in Medical
Technology

Certification: ASCPi, International Medical
Laboratory Technologist, IMLS (issued 06-19-2015,
Exp. 06-30-2018) TMLB accepts ASCPi if issued after
01-01-2015

Board Review: Trained outside United States

File Status: All other qualifying documents were
present in the file

Motion to approve license: Ms. Dolsen

Second: Ms. Walton

License Approved

5. Daren Willis
Antioch, TN

Application: Medical Laboratory Technologist-
General

Degree: B.S., Northern Caribbean University,
Mandeville, Jamaica, 2012

Training Program: Northern Caribbean
University/University Hospital of the West Indies,
2011-2012

Equivalence: Bachelor of Science in Medical
Technology

Certification: ASCPi, International Medical Laboratory Technologist, IMLS (issued 07-28-2017, Exp. 07-31-2020) TMLB accepts ASCPi if issued after 01-01-2015

Board Review: Trained outside United States

File Status: All other qualifying documents were present in the file

Motion to approve license: Ms. Walton

Second: Dr. Calarco

License Approved

**Reinstatement
Applications:**

Nothing to present

Reactivate Retired Applications:

Nothing to present

Review Consultant Approval and Ratification of Personnel Applications:*

New Licenses and Temporary Licenses (Attachments 1 & 2)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of initial and temporary licenses from July 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017.

Reinstatements (Attachment 3)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of reinstated licenses from July 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017.

Closed Files (Attachment 4)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of closed files from July 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017.

Retired Files (Attachment 5)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of retired licenses from July 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017.

Training Permits (Attachment 6)

The Committee reviewed the Consultant approved list of training permits from July 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017.

*All licenses ratified with one motion.

Motion to ratify consultant approved new, temporary, reinstated, closed, retired licenses and training permits:

Ms. Walton

Second: Ms. Dolsen

Ratified: Initial Actions of Consultant

Review Correspondence: Personnel and Educational Issues:

- 1. Request for addition of clinical rotation site**

Kevin McHugh, MLS(ASCP)CM, program director of the Concorde Career College Medical Laboratory Technician Program in Memphis, TN requested the addition of the Baptist Memorial Hospital located in Memphis, TN as a clinical rotation site for the program. After reviewing the Clinical Facility Fact Sheet and the Clinical Affiliation Agreement, the following motion was offered:

Motion to add Baptist Memorial Hospital as a clinical rotation site for the Concorde MLT Program; with the stipulation that the Clinical Facility Fact Sheet be signed by Mr. McHugh, the square footage of the lab be added and the Microbiology rotation be deleted before the approval is finalized: Ms. Walton

Second: Ms. Dolsen

Motion approved

The administrative office of the TMLB received the amended Baptist Memorial Hospital Clinical Facility Fact Sheet of on November 20, 2017.

2. **Request for CLS courses to fulfill TN science course requirements.** The Committee members reviewed a total of four letters from Arkansas State University-Jonesboro: two letters from Stacy Walz, PhD, MS, MT(ASCP), the program director of the Clinical Laboratory Science training program; one letter from Thomas Risch, PhD., Professor and Chair of the Department of Biology; and one letter from William Burns, Chair of the Department of Chemistry and Physics.

The letters from Dr. Walz were asking for the CLS courses to be used to fulfill the biology and chemistry course requirements outlined in Rule 1200-06-01-.22 (g). The letters from Dr. Risch and Dr. Burns stated that the described CLS courses would be accepted as electives in the Departments of Biology and Chemistry and Physics, respectively.

After the review and discussion of the letters, the members determined that according to the Rule 1200-06-01-.22, in-state and out-of-state applicants must have the same course requirements. Tennessee requires that its MT students have 16 semester hours of chemistry and 16 semester hours of biology prior to attending the MT (CLS) training programs. It would be beneficial to these out-of-state applicants to be informed of the Tennessee course requirements before they graduate, especially if the students are planning to work in Tennessee.

The motion was made to deny the request from Arkansas State University to use its CLS courses to fulfill the Tennessee course requirements of Rule 1200-06-01-.22

(g): Ms. Walton

Second: Dr. Calarco

Motion approved

Administrative Revocation of License:

Nothing
Presented

Rulemaking Up-Date:

Nothing
Presented

OTHER BUSINESS:

**Clarifications for
TMLB Staff**

There was a discussion of the equivalency of the Tennessee Laboratory Services, Medical Technologist in Microbiology Specialty Training Program and the Southern Illinois School of Medicine, Public Health Sciences Master's Program. Rule 1200-06-02-.04.

The TMLB staff posed the question to the Personnel and Education Committee whether a graduate of the Southern Illinois program could obtain a categorical MT-Microbiology license if the two programs were deemed equivalent.

The Committee reviewed the course descriptions from both training programs and found that the Southern Illinois program did not have rotations or didactic instructions in the microbiology areas of Mycobacterium and anaerobic bacteria. Since instruction and rotations in these areas were found in the Tennessee program, the members concluded that the two programs were not equivalent. Therefore, licensure as a MT-Microbiology could not be granted to the graduates of the Southern Illinois Public Health Master's Program.

Statement of Next Meeting:

The next Personnel and Education Committee Meeting will be January 17, 2018 and will begin at 1 PM CST in the Iris Room, Ground Floor, Metro Center Complex, 665 Mainstream Drive, Nashville, TN 37243

Record of Adjournment:

With no other business before the Personnel and Education Committee to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM CDT.

Motion: Dr. Calarco

Second: Ms. Cox

Motion Approved

Meeting Adjourned

Date

Kathleen Kenwright,
MT, Chair
Personnel and
Education Committee

**ATTACHMENT 1: Initial Licenses
July 2017**

License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
July 1, 2017				
24793	Alred	Cydney	Cookeville	Technician
24813	Rio Goldman	Mia	Memphis	Technician
24771	Hannan	Md Abdul	Nashville	Technician
24199	Helton	Vickie	Wilmington, NC	Technician
24792	Hudson	Kayla	Lebanon	Technician
24801	Irwin	Patricia	Hillsboro, OH	Technician
24547	Lewis	Jaleesa	Greenville, MS	Technician
24704	Thibeault	Crystal	Knoxville	Technician
24800	Woods	Tyra	Antioch	Technician
24818	Ahart	Jennifer	Conway, AR	Technologist
24757	Brown	Joel	Greenville, PA	Technologist
24798	Bryant	Lillian	Cordova	Technologist
24778	Cox	Christina	Nashville	Technologist
24702	Foley	Lynda	Convoy, OH	Technologist
24805	Holloway	Keisha	Memphis	Technologist
24724	Holt	Rebecca	Southhaven, MS	Technologist
24796	Huynh	Thuy	Old Hickory	Technologist
24348	Jordan	Regina	Clarksville	Technologist
24761	Murphy	Jasity	Boliver	Technologist
24804	Paschall	Joshua	Memphis	Technologist
24744	Ray	Kelsey	Memphis	Technologist
19803	Simmons	Melandy	Memphis	Technologist
24785	Taylor	Ryleigh	Camden	Technologist
24784	Zhang	Jing	Memphis	Technologist
19992	McKiddy	Crystal	Winfield	MT Sup-General
20118	Vaughn	Misti	Bristol	MT Sup-General
24043	Chou	Po-Chein	Germantown	SA Supervisor Histocompatibility & Immunogenetics
July 31, 2017				

**ATTACHMENT 1: Initial Licenses
August 2017**

License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
August 1, 2017				
24816	Anderson	Tracie	Klumath Falls, OR	Technician
24832	Costello	Tyler	Spring Hill	Technician
24695	Eudailey	Jonathan	Hampton, Va	Technician
24822	Guinn	Thomas	Spring Hill	Technician
24821	Langston	Valerie	Iuka, MS	Technician
24595	Nichols	Adam	Sneedville	Technician
24786	Norfleet	Teresa	Cedar Hill	Technician
24614	Trapp	Tracy	Blythewood, SC	Technician
24807	Webb	Christopher	Arlington	Technician
24844	Blake	Jacqueline	Nashville	Technologist
24638	Choi	Young	Athens	Technologist
24817	Cude	Carolyn	Smyrna	Technologist
24762	Dudash	Christina	Mt. Juliet	Technologist
24837	Harris	Sara	Camden	Technologist
24659	Johnson	Haley	Chattanooga	Technologist
24795	Mull	Carola	Taylors, SC	Technologist
24831	Munagala	Samanwi	Murfreesboro	Technologist
21957	Mitchell	Gregory	White House	Technologist
24833	Pace	Chandler	Franklin	Technologist
22186	Phillips	Shawna	Memphis	Technologist
24827	Rivera	Nicholas	Nashville	Technologist
24712	Robles	Cassie	Germantown	Technologist
24825	Wright	Jaleesa	Memphis	Technologist
24826	Doerfler	Janet	Lilburn, GA	MT Sup-General
23301	Luong	Chun	Winchester	MT Sup-General
23501	Wallace	Rebecca	Memphis	MT Sup-General
24768	Lewis	Joel	Memphis	S.A. Cytotechnology
24824	Sanders	Shannon	Memphis	S.A. Cytotechnology
24802	Aldridge	Steven	Houston, TX	S.A. Molecular Diagnostics
24840	Guggisberg	Natalia	Cordova	S.A. Molecular Diagnostics
24749	Cecil	Rebekah	Chattanooga	S.A. Toxicology
August 31, 2017				

**ATTACHMENT 1: Initial Licenses
September 2017**

License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
September 1, 2017				
24858	Adams- Treadway	Makaila	Rock Island, TN	Technician
24861	Adkins	Carmen	Cleveland	Technician
24782	Graham	Andrew	Rock Island, TN	Technician
24791	Johnson	Deborah	Greer, SC	Technician
24862	Logan	Lisa	Orange, CT	Technician
24774	Morgan	Mekiela	Memphis	Technician
24812	Autrey	Janet	Prattville, AL	Technologist
24828	Bordelon	Holly	Murfreesboro	Technologist
24810	Boutwell	Leitha	Montgomery, AL	Technologist
24846	Bullock	Jennifer	Shelbyville, IL	Technologist
24811	Ford	Kimalyn	Montgomery, AL	Technologist
24829	Jacquin	Jacquelynn	Cordova	Technologist
24849	Kodjovi	Kouevi	Memphis	Technologist
24684	Mollica	Robin	Reading, PA	Technologist
24866	Paulino	Lizabeth	Ooltewah, TN	Technologist
24857	Smith	Amanda	Clarksville	Technologist
24856	Smith	Morgan	Erin	Technologist
24528	Gurley	Heather	Florence, AL	MT Sup-General
10881	Harrison	Jo Ann	Hernando, MS	MT Sup-General
14348	Henson	Michelle	Nashville, TN	MT Sup-General
13090	Turner	Donna	Harriman, TN	MT Sup-General
24851	Sylvester	Melissa	Moreno Valley, CA	S.A.- Cytotechnology
24863	Vancil	Aaron	Germantown	S.A.- Cytotechnology
23169	Stanton	Andrew	Nashville	S.A. Supervisor Cytotechnology
24864	Duncan	Jaime	Nashville	S.A.-Cytogenetics
22752	Zhang	Li	Brentwood	S.A.-Supervisor Cytogenetics
24854	Rhodes- Clark	Bobbie	Mt. Juliet	S.A. Supervisor Histocompatilby/ Immunogenetics
September 29, 2017				

**ATTACHMENT 2: Temporary Licenses
July 2017**

License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category/Train Program
July 1, 2017				
No Temporary Licenses issued				
July 31, 2017				

**ATTACHMENT 2: Temporary Licenses
August 2017**

License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category/Train Program
August 1, 2017				
24584	Stacy	Caitlyn	Blountville	MLT
24834	Pritchett	Bethany	Lebanon	MLT
24841	Hitchman	James	Chattanooga	S.A. Toxicology
August 31, 2017				

**ATTACHMENT 2: Temporary Licenses
September 2017**

License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category/Train Program
September 1, 2017				
24770	Hembree	Mark	Cedar Hill, TN	MT
September 30, 2017				

**ATTACHMENT 3: Reinstatements
July 2017**

License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
July 1, 2017				
22926	Fox	Lorisa	Phoenix, AZ	Technician
24159	Smith	Christina	Hilham, TN	Technician
19992	McKiddy	Crystal	Winfield, TN	Technologist
21152	Wells	Jennifer	Church Hill, TN	Technologist
6233	Kendall-Fite	Karen	Franklin, TN	MT Sup-General
948	Nichols	Linda	Knoxville, TN	MT Sup-General
July 31, 2017				

**ATTACHMENT 3: Reinstatements
August 2017**

License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
August 1, 2017				
21200	Roach	Gina	Hendersonville	S.A. Cytogenetics
23938	Ibrahim	Sarah	Memphis	S.A. Cytotechnology
23939	Shaikh	Ali	Birmingham	S.A. Cytotechnology
9512	Borden	Kimberly	Jackson	MT
22557	Johnson	Jeremiah	Charlotte, TN	MT
August 31, 2017				

**ATTACHMENT 3: Reinstatements
September 2017**

License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
September 1, 2017				
22093	Burns	Amy	Portland, TN	MLT
22243	Morgan	Elizabeth	Cordova, TN	MLT
12200	Dacus	Denise	Murfreesboro	MT
3415	Shane	Thomas	Memphis, TN	MT
19659	Campbell	Joseph	New Albany, MS	MT- Supervisor General
September 30, 2017				

**ATTACHMENT 4: Administratively Closed Files
July 2017**

File #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
July 1, 2017				
No Closed Files				
July 31, 2017				

**ATTACHMENT 4: Administratively Closed Files
August 2017**

File #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
August 1, 2017				
NO FILES CLOSED				
August 31, 2017				

**ATTACHMENT 4: Administratively Closed Files
September 2017**

File #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
September 1, 2017				
NO CLOSED FILES				
September 1, 2017				

ATTACHMENT 5: Retired Licenses July 2017				
License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
July 1, 2017				
*7167	Barnett	Cartina	Elkmont, AL	Technician
20220	Alexander-Murtaza	Molly	Suwanee, GA	Technologist
19113	Walls	Teri	Horn Lake MS	MT Sup-General
19090	Cravotta	Judith	Franklin, TN	MT Sup-General
21282	Martin	Scotty	Bluffton, SC	MT Sup-General
18578	McGeehon	Phillip	Pensacola, FL	MT Sup-General
21425	Shaikh	Asghar	Winter Spgs, FL	MT Sup-General
July 31, 2017				

***Retired Under Audit**

**ATTACHMENT 5: Retired Licenses
August 2017**

License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
August 1, 2017				
7239	Allen	Judith	Clarksville	MT
22992	Emerson	Nicholas	Clarksville	MT
7990	Barrett	Christina	Bartlett	MT Sup-General
*1865	Chandler	Gwendolyn	Desoto, TX	MT Sup-General
6593	Grant	Freda	Dyersburg	MT Sup-General
*14745	Hunter	Katrina	Peachtree Corners, GA	MT Sup-General
*7048	Mankin	Danny	South Pittsburg, TN	MT Sup-General
August 31, 2017				

***Retired Under Audit**

**ATTACHMENT 5: Retired Licenses
September 2017**

License #	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
September 1, 2017				
*22496	Jacobs	Jessica	McMinnville	MLT
24247	White	Amy	Vinemont, AL	MLT
6558	Cornwell	Nancy	Nashville	MT
3462	Richardson	Kenneth	Lyles	MT
2133	George	Carol	Somerville	MT Supervisor- General
2315	Gibbs	Henry	Carthage	MT Supervisor- General
September 30, 2017				

*Retired Under Audit

ATTACHMENT 6: Training Permits

No license # is issued for a training permit, thus the column for license # becomes school name

July 2017

School	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
July 1, 2017				
*ARKANSAS	STATE	UNIVERSITY	BEEBE, AR	MLT PROGRAM
ASU-Beebe*	Johnson	Aaron	Searcy, AR	MLT
ASU-Beebe*	Crane	Jeffery	Lonoke, AR	MLT
**ARKANSAS	STATE	UNIVERSITY	JONESBORO, AR	MLS PROGRAM
ASU-Jonesboro**	Hall	Andrea	Jonesboro, AR	MT
***CALHOUN	COMMUNITY	COLLEGE	DECATUR, AL	MLT PROGRAM
CCC***	Beasley	Christine	Elkmont, AL	MLT
CCC***	Parsons	Jessica	Elkmont, AL	MLT
****FORTIS	INSTITUTE		COOKEVILLE	MLT PROGRAM
Fortis****	Ashcraft	Sheala	Cookeville	MLT
Fortis****	Croft	Amy	Madisonville	MLT
Fortis****	Dicen	Kadi	Knoxville	MLT
Fortis****	Easterly	Natasha	Crossville	MLT
Fortis****	Griffith	Tiffany	Cookeville	MLT
Fortis****	Rhoton	Lacey	Tompkinsville, KY	MLT
*****COLUMBIA	STATE	COMM COLLEGE	COLUMBIA, TN	MLT PROGRAM
CSCC*****	Adams	Kayce	Fayetteville	MLT
CSCC*****	Chambers	Harley	Prospect	MLT
CSCC*****	Fowler	Dane	Petersburg	MLT
CSCC*****	Glenn	Melissa	Columbia	MLT
CSCC*****	Janos	Christine	Spring Hill	MLT
CSCC*****	Klein	Jennifer	Fairview	MLT
CSCC*****	Poston	William	Lawrenceburg	MLT
CSCC*****	Shelton	Lillian	Pulaski	MLT
CSCC*****	Smith	Christopher	Murfreesboro	MLT
CSCC*****	Tidwell	Jennifer	Lawrenceburg	MLT
*****JACKSON	STATE	COMM COLLEGE	JACKSON, TN	MLT PROGRAM
JSCC*****	Baker	Lindsey	Camden	MLT
JSCC*****	Burnine	Tessla	Trezevant	MLT

JSCC*****	Fuller	Roy	Jackson	MLT
JSCC*****	Gladney	Damian	Jackson	MLT
JSCC*****	Hampton	Amy	Jackson	MLT
JSCC*****	Hendrix	Indie	Dyersburg	MLT
JSCC*****	Stanhope	Staci	Lexington	MLT
JSCC*****	Stewart	Peyton	Henderson	MLT
JSCC*****	Torres	Dulce	Jackson	MLT
July 31, 2017				

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School	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
August 1, 2017				
LINCOLN	MEMORIAL	UNIVERSITY	HARROGATE, TN	MT TRAINING PROGRAM
LMU	Brumm	Samantha	Cottage Grove, MN	Technologist
LMU	Cook	Heath	Goodlettsville	Technologist
LMU	Ferguson	Andrew	Johnson City	Technologist
LMU	Gibson	Jessica	Speedwell	Technologist
LMU	Lewis	Joshua	Cumberland Gap	Technologist
LMU	Marsh	Brianna	New Tazewell	Technologist
LMU	Repsher	Benjamin	Knoxville	Technologist
LMU	Roberts	Kayla	Knoxville	Technologist
LMU	Smith	Gage	Kodak	Technologist
LMU	Upton	Lindsey	New Tazewell	Technologist
August 31, 2017				

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September 2017

School	Last Name	First Name	City	Category
September 1, 2017				
VOLUNTEER	STATE COMM	COLLEGE	GALLATIN, TN	MLT TRAINING
VSCC	Baxley	Annie	Portland	MLT
VSCC	Callas	Elizabeth	Lebanon	MLT
VSCC	Chumley	Devlyar	Nashville	MLT
VSCC	Hesson	DeErica	Lafayette	MLT
VSCC	Huckaby	Hannah	Mt. Juliet	MLT
VSCC	Jariwala	Twinkal	Nashville	MLT
VSCC	Kennedy	Wendy	Castalian Springs	MLT
VSCC	Nicholson	Katie	Smyrna	MLT
VSCC	Pongo	Clarence	Nashville	MLT
VSCC	Rutledge	Elizabeth	Scottsville, KY	MLT
VSCC	Scott	Shelby	Murfreesboro	MLT
VSCC	Tomkins	Jessica	Goodlettsville	MLT
VSCC	Wheeler	Bethany	Nashville	MLT
September 30, 2017				