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Report on Expedited Licensure Review for Military Service Members and Spouses



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It is my pleasure to present this years Report on Expedited Licensure Review for Military Service Members and Spouses for 2023 (“Report”), prepared and issued by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (“Department”) pursuant to Public Act 101-240 (“Act”).

Following a state law enacted in 2019, the Department hired a Military Liaison to assist eligible Military Service Members and their spouses obtain professional licensure in Illinois. Under the statute, Military Service Members who are an active duty member or whose active duty service concluded within the preceding two (2) years before application, must have their applications expedited for review by the Department. Since the programs inception, the Department has consistently reviewed qualifying Military Service Members, spouses, and veterans applications within 30 days.

I am proud to report that the Department has successfully assisted approximately 2,800 Military Service Members, their spouses, and veterans throughout the application process to earn Illinois professional licenses. The addition of qualifying Veteran based applications in this years data, provides a more accurate representation of those assisted. Our licensing team has worked diligently to assist military families which relocated to Illinois in 2023. This trajectory and assistance will continue in the new year.

We deeply honor and recognize the sacrifices Military Service Members and their spouses make for our country. It is our duty to ensure qualified applicants are able to work in their chosen field in Illinois as soon as possible and with the resources needed to accomplish that. To the brave members of the armed forces and their families: thank you for your service, and welcome to the Great State of Illinois.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND
PROFESSIONAL REGULATION of the
State of Illinois

Mario Treto, Jr., Secretary



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This report, as required by P.A. 101-240, is to be completed at the end of each calendar year. The Report is completed using applicant data from the period of January 1, 2020 through December 11, 2023. Please note an applicant who may have begun the application process during this time may not have completed the process by December 31, 2023. The tables below include information for all professions regulated by the Department.

- Count of individuals assisted by the Military Liaison program via their selection on IDFPR's License application (on or after January 1, 2020). Selections include:
 - Assistance Initiated by Department
 - Applicant assistance received via requests from:
 - Military Liaison initiated via review of weekly report
 - Department processors notifying the Military Liaison
 - Legislative staff requests
 - Other Professional Regulation staff or Divisions
 - Assistance Initiated by Military Service Member
 - Applicant assistance received via requests from:
 - Direct email, telephone, or mail request from Military Service Member
 - Assistance Initiated by Military Spouse
 - Applicant assistance received via requests from:
 - Direct email, telephone, or mail request from Military Spouse
 - Assistance Initiated by Veteran
 - Applicant assistance received via requests from:
 - Direct email, telephone, or mail request from Veteran
- Calendar year comparison of individuals assisted by the Military Liaison program
 - (2020) Total number assisted during the calendar year
 - (2021) Total number assisted during the calendar year
 - (2022) Total number assisted during the calendar year
 - (2023) Total number assisted during the calendar year
 - (2020-2023) Grand total number assisted

**Count of Individuals
Assisted by the Military Liaison
JANUARY 1, 2023 – DECEMBER 1, 2023**

| Profession | Assistance Initiated By Department | Assistance Initiated by Military Service Member | Assistance Initiated by Military Spouse | Assistance Initiated by Veteran | Grand Total |
|--|---|--|--|--|--------------------|
| Adult Use Cannabis | | | | 2 | 2 |
| Advanced Practice Nurse (Controlled Substance) | | | 3 | | 3 |
| Advanced Practice Nurse (Nursing) | 1 | 1 | 4 | | 6 |
| Athletic Trainer | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Barber | 5 | | | 2 | 7 |
| Barber Teacher | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Certified Pharmacy Technician | 49 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 52 |
| Chiropractic Physician | 2 | | | | 2 |
| Clinical Professional Counselor | 2 | 2 | 1 | | 5 |
| Clinical Psychologist | | | | 2 | 2 |
| Clinical Social Worker | 4 | 2 | 4 | | 10 |
| Cosmetologist | 15 | 3 | 5 | | 23 |
| Cosmetology Teacher and Clinic Teacher | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Dental Hygienist | 3 | | | | 3 |
| Dentist (Controlled Substance) | | 1 | | 1 | 2 |
| Dentist (Dentistry) | 13 | 5 | 1 | | 19 |
| Detection of Deception Trainee | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Dietitian Nutritionist | 12 | | 2 | | 14 |
| Esthetician | 4 | | 2 | | 6 |
| Firearm Control Card | 1 | 1 | | | 2 |
| Funeral Director and Embalmer Intern | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Home Inspector | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Licensed Certified Public Accountant | 2 | 3 | | | 5 |

**Count of Individuals
Assisted by the Military Liaison
JANUARY 1, 2023 – DECEMBER 1, 2023
(CONT'D)**

| Profession | Assistance Initiated By Department | Assistance Initiated by Military Service Member | Assistance Initiated by Military Spouse | Assistance Initiated by Veteran | Grand Total |
|--|---|--|--|--|--------------------|
| Licensed Practical Nurse | 31 | 10 | 3 | 2 | 46 |
| Limited Medical Temporary | 6 | | | | 6 |
| Marriage and Family Therapist | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Massage Therapist | 6 | 1 | 2 | | 9 |
| Nail Technician | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Occupational Therapist | 2 | | | | 2 |
| Occupational Therapy Assistant | 3 | 1 | | | 4 |
| Perfusionist | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Permanent Employee Registration Card | 157 | 5 | | 6 | 168 |
| Pharmacy Technician Student | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Physical Therapist | 9 | 2 | 1 | | 12 |
| Physical Therapist Assistant | 6 | | 2 | | 8 |
| Physician and Surgeon (Controlled Substance) | 1 | 4 | | | 5 |
| Physician and Surgeon (Medical) | 56 | 12 | | 6 | 74 |
| Physician Assistant (Controlled Substance) | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Physician Assistant (Physician Assistant) | 22 | 3 | | | 25 |
| Private Alarm Contractor | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Private Security Contractor | 1 | 2 | | | 3 |
| Professional Counselor | 1 | | 6 | 2 | 9 |
| Professional Engineer | 5 | 3 | | | 8 |

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JANUARY 1, 2023 – DECEMBER 1, 2023
(CONT'D)**

| Profession | Assistance Initiated By Department | Assistance Initiated by Military Service Member | Assistance Initiated by Military Spouse | Assistance Initiated by Veteran | Grand Total |
|---|---|--|--|--|--------------------|
| Professional Engineer Intern | 12 | 1 | | | 13 |
| Real Estate Broker | 48 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 58 |
| Real Estate Managing Broker | 2 | | | | 2 |
| Real Estate Residential Leasing Agent | 4 | 1 | | | 5 |
| Real Estate Student Residential Leasing Agent | 2 | | | | 2 |
| Registered Adult Use Agent | 12 | | | | 12 |
| Registered Adult Use Agent-In-Charge | 6 | | | | 6 |
| Registered Adult Use Principal Officer | 7 | | | | 7 |
| Registered Agent | 4 | 1 | | | 5 |
| Registered Firearm Instructor | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Registered Nurse | 213 | 15 | 23 | 5 | 256 |
| Registered Pharmacist | 5 | 1 | | | 6 |
| Respiratory Care Practitioner | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| Social Worker | 31 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 47 |
| Speech-Language Pathologist | 5 | | 3 | | 8 |
| Speech-Language Pathology Temporary | 6 | | 1 | | 7 |
| Structural Engineer | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Temporary Physician and Surgeon | 13 | 1 | | | 14 |

**Count of Individuals
Assisted by the Military Liaison
JANUARY 1, 2023 – DECEMBER 1, 2023
(CONT'D)**

| Profession | Assistance Initiated By Department | Assistance Initiated by Military Service Member | Assistance Initiated by Military Spouse | Assistance Initiated by Veteran | Grand Total |
|------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--------------------|
| Veterinarian (Veterinary Medicine) | | 1 | 1 | | 2 |
| Veterinary Technician | 1 | | 1 | | 2 |
| Visiting Resident | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Grand Total | 801 | 96 | 79 | 38 | 1014 |

**Count of Individuals
Assisted by the Military Liaison
*TOTAL NUMBER ASSISTED BY CALENDER YEAR***

| Year(s) | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2020-2023 |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|
| Total | 275 | 508 | 1,000 | 1,014 | 2,797 |