

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR LOUISIANA BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY (LBESPA) JUNE 2025

LBESPA is calling for nomination for two (2) members to the Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology.

The positions available are for three-year terms and include:

1. Two practicing Speech-Language Pathologists. One position will be open on July 15, 2025 and the other will be open on October 4, 2025.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY BOARD MEMBER POSITION:

- Be a resident of the state of Louisiana;
- Hold a valid Louisiana license in the area of service (Speech-Language Pathology);
- Have been engaged in providing service, or in teaching, or in research in speech-language pathology for at least five years prior to appointment.
- No member of the board shall be an officer or hold any leadership position in a state Speech-Language Pathology or Audiology professional association for the term of the member's appointment to the board. "Leadership position" shall include but not be limited to an elected or appointed position as a member of the state executive board, service on an ethics committee or membership committee, or other similar positions of the state professional association.

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT LBESPA

There are typically five regular meetings per year, but additional special meetings may be called as needed. Travel expenses are paid, but there is no reimbursement for time. Term of office is for three years or until a successor has been appointed.

A list of all qualified nominees will be submitted to the Governor by LBESPA. The Governor will appoint the board members and all are subject to Senate confirmation.

Being a board member requires a commitment to attend board meetings and conferences as requested, as well as a commitment to communicate with the board members/staff on a daily basis, reviewing emails, applications, continuing education, etc.

All board meetings are conducted in-person, as the Board does not meet the requirements to conduct virtual meetings, according to Act 393 of the 2023 Regular Legislative Session.

If you meet eligibility requirements and wish to be a nominee, please complete the Nomination Application form and include all information requested so your application can be properly processed. You must also mail a notarized statement listing and verifying professional experience.

MISSION STATEMENT

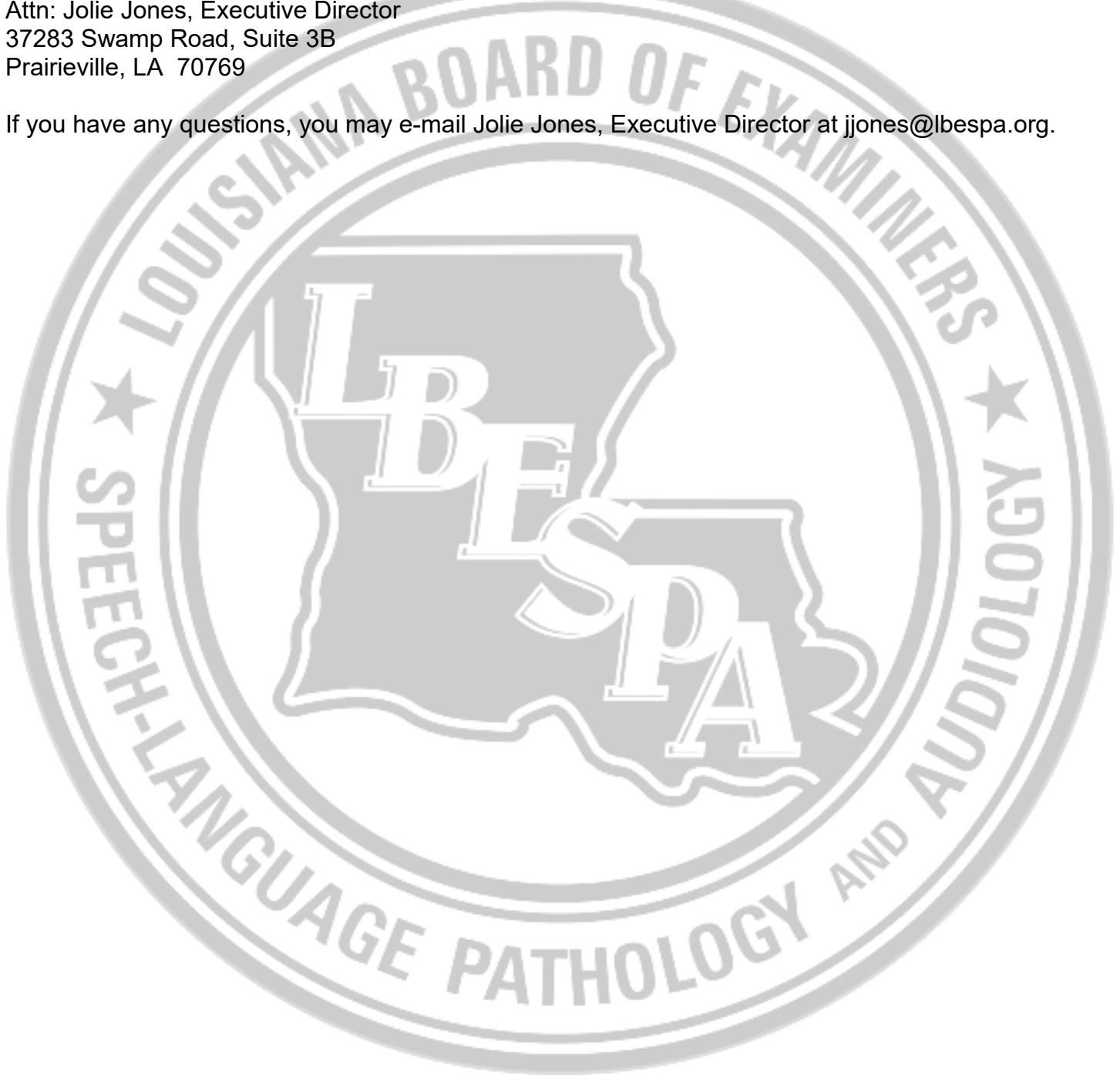
The Board exists because the legislature declared that "in order to safeguard the public health, safety, and welfare, to protect the public from incompetent, unscrupulous, and unauthorized persons, and from unprofessional conduct by speech-language pathologists, audiologists, and speech-language pathology assistants, it is necessary to provide regulatory authority over persons offering

speech-language pathology and audiology services to the public."

NOMINATIONS AND NOTARIZED STATEMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY LBESPA BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON JULY 1, 2025. INFORMATION MUST BE MAILED TO:

Louisiana Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology
Attn: Jolie Jones, Executive Director
37283 Swamp Road, Suite 3B
Prairieville, LA 70769

If you have any questions, you may e-mail Jolie Jones, Executive Director at jjones@lbepa.org.



LBESPA Nomination Form for Board Member Position

Please type or print legibly.

Name of nominee: _____

Area of Licensure: AUD SLP BOTH NONE

Title and Affiliation: _____

Preferred Mailing Address: _____

Telephone numbers: _____ (Cell) _____ (Work)

Email address: _____

Academic degree(s):

Degree	Institution	Date

Audiology Board Member Nominees. I hereby verify that I meet the following requirements:

- _____ I am a resident of the State of Louisiana.
- _____ I hold a valid license in the area of service (Speech-Language Pathology).
- _____ I have been engaged in providing service, or in teaching, or in research in speech-language pathology for at least five years.
- _____ I understand that should I be chosen as a board member, that I may not be an officer or hold any leadership position (as defined by R.S. 37:2654.) in a state speech-language pathology or audiology professional association for the term of my board member appointment.

I will mail my notarized statement listing and verifying professional experience. Notarized statement must affirm that the information provided is true and correct and must be received no later than close of business on July 1, 2025.

Signature of Nominee

Date

Please describe your interest in service on the licensure board and your qualifications for services (e.g. professional experience, services to professional organizations, awards, etc.). This description will be provided to the Governor as written, in addition to your name, title/affiliation, and degree information. The maximum length is 175 words. Content will be edited if maximum length is exceeded.

