

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

Examination

The Alabama Board of Funeral Service has certified the following individuals with The Conference as having met the qualification to take the Alabama State Law Exam and the Alabama Funeral Director and/or Embalmer Exam:

Pamela Jean Smith	Cameron S. Patterson	NaTasha B. Foy
Andre M. Foreman	Jamie L. Heard	Cynthia D. Williams
Jacalvis C. Darden	William A. Moore	LaKeshia S. Dowell
Doris F. Seroyer	George E. Rampey	Douglas E. Jones
Mary T. Adams	Albert G. Stinson	Reginald W. Calvert
Summer M. Pierce	Laura K. Sullivan	William R. Gibbs
Joseph A. Gibbs	Elijah E. Bell	Kyle A. Burgess
	Andre M. Foreman Jacalvis C. Darden Doris F. Seroyer Mary T. Adams Summer M. Pierce	Andre M. Foreman Jamie L. Heard William A. Moore Doris F. Seroyer Mary T. Adams Summer M. Pierce Jamie L. Heard William A. Moore George E. Rampey Albert G. Stinson Laura K. Sullivan

Vernon L. Langley

Steps to taking the Alabama State Art, Science, or Law exam:

- 1. Submit application to the Board office for permanent license.
- 2. Eligibility will be verified and sent to The Conference by the Board staff.
- 3. Applicants must then go to The Conference website at www.theconferenceonline.org to submit their exam application and payment.
- 4. Please keep in mind, processing takes anywhere from 2-3 business days. We must have your eligibility, application, and payment to schedule. You will be notified through email once you have been processed and you are able to schedule.

The Conference

The Alabama State Law, Funeral Director and Embalmer's exams will be given by The Conference through Pearson VUE testing centers at five locations statewide. The exam fees and applications are to be submitted by the applicant to The Conference. The state license fees, applications, and affidavits shall be submitted to the Board office.

Phone: 479-442-7076 The Conference: www.theconferenceonline.org

Pearson VUE: Birmingham Decatur Dothan Mobile Montgomery 205-982-2063 256-552-0667 334-671-7007 334-271-8995

251-343-2601

Board Meeting

The Board will hold its second regular meeting of fiscal year 2017 on **January 9, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.** in Room 304 of the Alabama State House. Matters or subjects not on the agenda are not guaranteed for discussion at the meeting. **Licensees who attend the quarterly board meeting will receive hour for hour CE Credits for attending.**

Board Appointments

Pursuant to §34-13-20, Code of Alabama, 1975, funeral directors and embalmers of Alabama gathered in Montgomery on October 3, 2016 to select nominations for districts which terms expire December 31, 2016. The following nominees were submitted to the governor for appointment to Board for the next two years:

District One	District Two	District Five
Mark Craddock - Citronelle	Lorenzo Wright - Prattville	John C. Rudder - Scottsboro
Leslie Hanke - Mobile	Carrel Ann Wyatt-Spears - Opp	Karen Jones Smith - Huntsville
Allen Rice - Mobile	Sarah Webster - Montgomery	Mark Slaton - Madison

Reminder - Renewal Time

Anyone who has not renewed their apprentice certification, funeral establishment, funeral director, embalmer or practical embalmer license, may still do so with a \$50.00 late penalty until March 31, 2017. If you fail to for renew by the March 31st deadline, the license(s) or certification will be considered lapsed. At which time the establishment (s) or individual must cease operations and or practice. Any paperwork and fees received after the March 31st deadline must go before the Board for reactivation approval.

Continuing Education Audit

Licensees, chosen randomly, to be audited must submit to the board within 10 days of notification, copies of certificates of completion as proof of completing the continuing education activities used to meet the requirements of the law. Failure to comply with the continuing education audit and requirements shall result in:

- (a) The Board shall not renew the license of an individual who fails to obtain the continuing education requirements of this section, except as provide by statute, until the Board receives documentation that the licensee has obtained the required continuing education.
- (b) A licensee who fails to obtain the required number of continuing education hours prior to the expiration date appearing on the license shall not have their license renewed until the licensee has obtained the required continuing education hours for that period and paid all applicable fees and penalties.



At the last meeting, the Board approved the following for licensure:

<u>Funeral Director & Embalmer</u>

Raymond S. Miller Terry D. Babb Carly C. Beresky

Kenneth Dawkins David B. Young Melinda S. Miller-Moats

Stevlen Dickerson Ashley D. Wilson Michelle C. Eaker

Erika L. Terry Steven L. Ryan Camino T. Jones

Cynthia A. Wingo Orlando C. Farrington Deborah S. Greene

Aubrey L. Larkin Jr.

Theresa J. Bowden

Ronald B. Goins

Alabama Board of Funeral Service Consent Agreements July 11, 2016 to October 3, 2016

Adding unlicensed person to practice funeral directing. §34-13-56(a)(2)(i)

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Allowed unlicensed person to engage in the business of a funeral director. §34-13-70 (a)

Penalty

Fined \$3,000.00

Managing Funeral Director on probation for 3 months.

Establishment on probation for 1 year.

"Never let Quantity Dictate Quality."
Always let Quality Dictate Quantity!"

CONTINUING EDUCATION

The Alabama Board of Funeral Services will offer continuing education credit to licensees that attend quarterly board meetings.

Approved Continuing Education Providers 2016-2018

Academy of Graduate Embalmers

770.445.3180 academyga@aol.com

AFDA

334.956.8000

www.alabamafda.org

Aurora Matthews Funeral Solutions

800.457.1111 auroracasket.com

Cost Segregation Services, Inc.

256.683.3397

greg@costegregationservices.com

Funeral CE (a service of Web CE)

877.332 .8480

www.Funeralce.com

Georgia Funeral Directors

Association

770.592.8002

Kate-Boylston Publication

732.730.2586

tparmalee@ucg.com

National Funeral Professionals

Association

251.441.7688

tristatemorturay@gmail.com

R. Bruce Wilson

256.717.5166

bwilson9@tds.net

Smalls Mortuary Inc. and

Cremation Services

251.990.3929

smallsmortuary.com

The North American Division of the British Institute of Embalmer

207.841.6330

sallybelanger@comcast.net

Academy of Professional Funeral

Service Practice, Inc.

866. 431.2377

AFDA&MA

www.alabamafdma.org

Batesville Casket Company

812.934.7500

batesville.com

Dignity University

713.525.7348

Dignity.university@Sci-us.com

FuneralContinuingEducation.com

718.608.6000

www.funeralcontinuingeducation.com

International Order of the Golden

Rule

800.63.8030

www.ogr.org/webinars

Mobile Memorial Gardens FH

251.661.7700

service@mobilememorialfuneals.com

Practicum Strategies

800.731.4714

pshomestudy.com

Royal Funeral Home, Inc.

256.534.8481

info@royalfh.com

Tennessee Funeral Directors

Association

615.321.8792

office@tnfda.org

Van Hoose & Steele

205.759.5736

Bad.madison@yahoo.com

ABFS

334.242.4049

www.fsb.alabama.gov

APEX (continuing education solutions)

800.769.8996

apexces.com

CANA-Cremation Association of

North America

312.245.1077

cremationassociation.org

Elite Professional Education, LLC

888.857.6920

www.elitecme.com

Funeral Direct Ed

272.505.8746

Funeraldirected.com

Jefferson State Community College

205.856.7847

vriley@jeffstateonline.com

NFDA

800.228.6332

nfda.org

Professional Partners, LLC

309-828-2415

professionalpartnersonline.com

Scott's Chapel Hill Mortuary

334.377.1511

chapelhill@centurytel.net

The Dodge Company, Inc.

800.443.6343

seminars@dodgeco.com

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Employment Opportunity for Licensed Funeral Director/Embalmer

Employment opportunity for a licensed funeral director/embalmer. Benefits include health insurance and vacation. Contact, Jimmy O'Bryant at O'Bryant Chapel Funeral Home in Thomasville, AL (334) 636-4456 or email obryant.chapel@mchsi.com

The Alabama Board of Funeral Service would like to take this time to wish everyone a

Happy and Safe Holidays!

Thank you for all you do!

