

North Carolina Board of Funeral Service

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Next meeting of the Board is 9 a.m. Wednesday, April 10, 2013 at the Board offices, 1033 Wade Avenue, Suite 108, Raleigh, NC 27605. The agenda will be posted by April 5 and can be viewed by [following this link](#).

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS-

Board of Funeral Service offices will be closed on Friday, March 29 in observance of Good Friday. The Board and Board Staff wish you and your family a blessed Easter, a Happy Passover.

REMINDER: The new NCBFS-PN5, Certificate of Performance for a Preneed Funeral Contract is *required* effective January 1, 2013:

<http://www.ncbfs.org/1cop.pdf> .

There is also an updated NCBFS ISG&S, the Inflation-Proof Preneed Statement of Goods & Services Selected on the Board website. The revised form adds more lines in the "Additional Services" and "Additional Merchandise" sections. You can begin using the form now; if you currently use printed forms, continue to do so until you run out.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS-

As noted on February 14, The Board of Funeral Service has considered a number of proposals regarding changes to the Funeral Service and Cremation Laws for submission to the North Carolina General Assembly in the 2013-2014 legislative session. The proposed legislation was forwarded to the Legislature on March 11, 2013.

The proposed changes / additions can be reviewed on the Board website at this link: <http://www.ncbfs.org/currentevents.html>

TRAINEE CORNER

We continue to receive late trainee reports. **Both** the trainee **and** the manager share responsibility for the timely submission of reports. Late submissions could require an appearance before the Board for both the trainee and the supervisor...taking both of you away from the funeral home for at least a morning - if not longer. The solution is simple - *don't be late!*

CONTINUING EDUCATION

It's almost April (*already?!?!?!!*). Have you taken any CE yet in 2013? Check the Board website for upcoming courses. Do your hours early this year!

SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO THE FAMILY OF:

Donald Grant Bryant, former owner of Harry & Bryant Funeral Home, Charlotte, who died on March 21, 2013

Have you looked at your Law Book lately? Rules and Laws are also posted on the Board website: <http://www.ncbfs.org/rules.html>.

Here is an excellent resource from the Federal Trade Commission: <http://www.business.ftc.gov/documents/bus05-complying-funeral-rule>

DISCIPLINARY MATTERS:

CASE FILE NUMBERS: V09-074; V10-065.

LICENSEES: McKinnie Memorial-Bailey Funeral & Cremations (FE #563); Michael Bailey (FSL #2085).

SUMMARY: The parties witnessed a forged insurance assignment to pay for a funeral bill and, after surrendering a preneed sales license, sold a preneed contract and failed to deposit the funds into a trust account or insurance policy within five (5) business days of receipt.

BOARD ACTION: The Board adopted a consent order suspending Mr. Bailey's license for four months, placing Mr. Bailey on probation for one (1) year, and placing the funeral establishment on probation for two years. The parties are permanently barred from preneed sales.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 13, 2013.

CASE FILE NUMBER: V12-077.

LICENSEES: Eakes Funeral Home (FE #149); Lynn Cox (FSL #2376).

SUMMARY: Ms. Cox witnessed a forged signature on an insurance claim form to pay for the funeral bill.

BOARD ACTION: The Board adopted a consent order that placed the funeral establishment and Ms. Cox on probation for two (2) years and assessed a \$1,000.00 fine.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 13, 2013.
