

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION
FOR FORESTERS**

Board Meeting: July 7, 2004

Minutes Approved by Board on October 27, 2004

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Registration for Foresters was held on Wednesday, July 7, 2004, at the Office of the Division Director, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

The following Board members were present:

Cay G. Stokes, Chairman
Lewis P. Brown, Jr., Vice Chairman and Forester
Dr. Rodney Wayne Brown, Forester
Charlie Bonner Jones, Forester
Sharon N. Dolliver, Forester

Others present:

Gwyn H. Ridley, Executive Director
Sherry Harrison, Applications Specialist
Marie S. Urquhart, Board Secretary
Dominick Crea, Board Attorney

Chairman Stokes established a quorum was present at 9:32 a.m., and called the meeting to order.

Mr. Jones made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2004 meeting. Ms. Dolliver seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jones made a motion to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A.43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and investigative matters and to receive an investigative report. Ms. Dolliver seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were those members present who included Board Members L. Brown, R. Brown, Stokes, Jones, and Dolliver. The Board concluded **Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Applications:

Ms. Harrison presented applications for the Board's review. Ms. Dolliver made a motion to approve the following applications for licensure, examination, and reinstatement that met certification requirements. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The following applicants were **approved** for Licensure:

License #	Name	Date	Method
RF002714	Andrew Dave Barrs	6/17/04	Examination
RF002715	Jason Ashley Gatch	6/17/04	Examination
RF002716	Chad Ronnie Lamb	6/17/04	Examination
RF002717	Robert Thomas Tye	6/17/04	Reciprocity
RF002718	James Roy Ulmer	6/17/04	Examination
RF002719	Homer Collins Willis	6/17/04	Reciprocity
RF002720	James H. Adkins	6/17/04	Reciprocity
RF002721	Phillip Edward Allen	7/7/04	Examination

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RF002722	Gilbert Roland DeHuff	7/7/04	Examination
RF002723	Nathan Monroe Fountain	7/7/04	Examination
RF002724	Jason Michael Haray	7/7/04	Examination
RF002725	Jesse Walter Johnson	7/7/04	Examination
RF002726	Boyce Calvin Kennedy, III	7/7/04	Examination
RF002727	Benjamin Ryan Kobek	7/7/04	Examination
RF002728	Joel Stephen Martin	7/7/04	Examination
RF002729	Richard Thomas McCord	7/7/04	Examination

The following applicants were **approved** for Examination:

Michael Lanier Harrell, Jr.
 Randolph Bryan Jones, Jr.
 Kevin Shawn Sorrow
 Ronald Winfield Warren
 William Thomas Barrett
 Wise Henry Batten, Jr.
 Timothy Owen Dixon
 Scott Christian Howell
 Joseph Charles Sewell
 Brian Edward Smith
 Eric Guy Strickland
 William Lee Tribble, Jr.

The following applicants were **approved** for Examination and Licensure:

John Michael Bullard
 Mark Daniel Shaw
 James Lindsey Harrell
 Marion Amos Thompson III

The following applicants were **approved** for Reinstatement:

David DeLoach Johns - #RF001551
 Guerry Barnett Doolittle - #RF001032

The Board reviewed the following written requests:

Robert L. Hall, Jr.: Mr. Jones made a motion to **approve** a request for an extension to complete continuing forestry education (CFE) hours. Dr. Brown seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Clifford J. Drouet: Mr. Jones made a motion to **approve** a request for waiver of the late renewal fee. Ms. Dolliver seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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Robert B. McGowan: The Board instructed the Board Attorney to respond to the inquiry, and to contact the Revenue Department to obtain additional information.

Investigative Report:

The Board Attorney provided an update on the following cases:

FOR030025

FOR040031

Daniel A. Wiersma: The Board voted to accept a Consent Order signed by Mr. Wiersma.

Executive Director Report :

The Board was updated on the following items:

- Number of licensees
- August examination date
- Funding for Board travel
- Newsletter

Correspondence and Other Business:

The Board reviewed a reciprocity agreement from the North Carolina Board of Registration for Foresters. The Board declined the agreement.

The Board discussed changing the next scheduled meeting date (October 13, 2004) to another date. The Executive Director will determine member availability and confirm via e-mail. (Addendum: Subsequently, the meeting was changed to October 27, 2004.)

Propose To Adopt Rule 220-2-.03:

At its meeting on July 7, 2004, the Forester Board voted to post 220-2-.03. The Board discussed revisions to its rules and considered modifications to Rule 220-2-.03. Mr. Jones made a motion to propose adoption of these rules and to post and hold a public hearing to receive comments regarding the proposed rules and to consider adoption of the rules following the public hearing. In its consideration of the proposed rules, the Board stated that the formulation and adoption of these rules do not impose additional regulatory cost on any licensee that cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of the statutes that are the basis for the proposed rules. Further, the Board stated that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of these statutes to adopt or implement differing actions for business as listed in O.C.G.A. Section 50-13-4(a)(3)(A)(B)(C) and (D) and that the formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned, and operated and dominant in the field of Accountancy. Ms. Dolliver seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Marie S. Urquhart
Recorded by Board Secretary

Gwyn H. Ridley
Reviewed by Executive Director

Charlie Bonner Jones
Chairman

Mollie L. Fleeman
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Division Director

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**AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING
OF PUBLIC MEETING**

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq., requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specific exceptions relied upon. O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meeting in question.

Comes now Cay G. Stokes, the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR FORESTERS.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all over aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On July 7, 2004 this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of the members present voted to close the meeting or a portion thereof for the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.

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4. The legal authority for the closure of this meeting was:

OCGA 43-1-2 (k); 43-1-19(h)

5. The subject(s) discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are:

RECEIPT OF AND DELIBERATIONS REGARDING APPLICATIONS
AND APPLICATION INFORMATION AND DELIBERATIONS
REGARDING INVESTIGATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT MATTERS;
RECEIPT OF THE RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIONS.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Cay G. Stokes
PRESIDING OFFICER

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

This 7th day of July, 2004

Marie S. Urquhart
Notary Public