

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION
FOR FORESTERS
Board Meeting: May 10, 2006**

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Registration for Foresters was held on Wednesday, May 10, 2006, at the Office of the Division Director, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

The following Board members were present:

John W. Mixon, Chairman and Forester
W. Dale Greene, Vice Chairman and Forester
John Britt, Forester
Anna D. Thomaston, Consumer Member
Glen Warnock, Forester

Others present:

Gwyn H. Ridley, Executive Director
Ruth Reece, Applications Specialist
Wakendra C. Stenson, Board Secretary
Chris Helms, Board Attorney
Charlie Bonner Jones, Forester

Chairman Mixon established a quorum was present at 9:30 a.m. and called the meeting to order.

The Board welcomed new member appointees, Anna D. Thomaston and Glen Warnock. The Board acknowledged and thanked retiring Board Member Charlie Bonner Jones for his many years of service and dedication to the profession.

Mr. Mixon made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2006 meeting. Mr. Britt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Britt 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. Mr. Warnock seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were those members present who included Board Members Britt, Greene, Mixon, Thomaston, and Warnock. The Board concluded **Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Applications:

Applications were presented for the Board's review. Mr. Britt made a motion to approve the following applications for licensure, examination, and reciprocity that met certification requirements. Mr. Warnock seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

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| RF002795 | Theodore Runyon Quarles, Jr. | 5/10/2006 | Examination |
| RF002796 | Stephen C. Browne | 5/10/2006 | Reciprocity |

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The following applicant was **approved** for Examination and Licensure:

Joshua Kane Harrell

Continuing Education Audit:

The Board reviewed documentation submitted by licensees selected for the continuing education audit. Mr. Greene made a motion to **approve** the documentation and to renew the licensees. Mr. Mixon seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Written Requests – Renewals:

Continuing Education (CE) Requirements – Request for Extension:

George Mock: After reviewing a request for an extension of CE requirements, the Board was advised that the licensee had submitted documentation of completion of CE requirements. Mr. Greene made a motion to **approve** the licensee for renewal. The hours cannot be counted towards future renewals. Mr. Warnock seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Enforcement Committee Report:

The Enforcement Committee reviewed the status of open cases.

Mr. Warnock made a motion to **approve** the following recommendation. Mr. Greene seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

FOR060047 – close the case

Executive Director’s Report:

The Executive Director updated the Board on the following items:

- Renewal Status
- Public Orders – accessible from website
- Requests for Best Management Practices

Correspondence, Written Requests, Inquiries and Information Items:

ASBORG: Mr. Mixon reported on the 14th Annual Meeting that he and Charlie Bonner Jones attended on April 20-21, 2006, in Columbia, South Carolina.

The Board reviewed other miscellaneous correspondence and information that did not require a vote or action.

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Other Business:

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

Wakendra C. Stenson
Recorded by Board Secretary

Gwyn H. Ridley
Reviewed by Executive Director

John W. Mixon
Chairman

Mollie L. Fleeman
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Division Director

These minutes were signed on July 12, 2006

These minutes were approved on July 12, 2006

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Attachment

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COUNTY OF BIBB

**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 JOHN W. MIXON, 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 May 10, 2006 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:

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| RECEIPT OF AND DELIBERATIONS REGARDING APPLICATIONS |
| AND APPLICATION INFORMATION AND DELIBERATIONS |
| REGARDING INVESTIGATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT MATTERS; |
| RECEIPT OF THE RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIONS. |
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FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

JOHN W. MIXON
PRESIDING OFFICER

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

This 10th day of May, 2006

Wakendra C. Stenson
Notary Public