

Georgia State Board of Funeral Service
Board Meeting
June 9, 2009

A meeting of The Georgia State Board of Funeral Service was held on June 9, 2009 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. Linda Ware, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m.

A quorum was established with members present being: Linda Ware, Chairperson; Lauren McDonald, Vice Chair; Draper Watson, Thelon Hamby, David Roach and Terry Daviston.

Others present were as follows: Steve Lindsey, Executive Director; Melanie Brown, Board Support Specialist; and Reagan Dean, Assistant Attorney General.

A Public Hearing was held for the purpose of reviewing the initial decision issued by Administrative Law Judge Kristin L. Miller on February 23, 2009 in the matter of *Georgia State Board of Funeral Service v. Henry Edmond Shelton, Edwin Dewan Shelton, and Hanley Shelton* of Marietta, GA and to have the Board render its final decision regarding the case.

- In the matter of *Georgia State Board of Funeral Service v. Henry Edmond Shelton, Edwin Dewan Shelton, and Hanley Shelton* of Marietta, GA: The Board voted to modify the initial decision and delivered the following final decision, David Roach recused himself:
 - **Hanley-Shelton Funeral Home**, FEST001170 shall be placed on probation for a period of three years and in addition, pay a fine in the amount of \$1000.00.
 - **Henry Edmond Shelton** (H.E. Shelton), license number FD002342, shall be suspended for a period of one month and there after placed on probation for a period of three years. During the first six months of the probationary period, H.E. Shelton may not practice as Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge and in addition, pay a fine in the amount of \$1000.00.
 - **Edwin Shelton**, license number FD003954, shall be suspended for a period of one week and there after placed on probation for a period of three years. During the first six months of the probationary period, he may not practice as Funeral Director in Full and Continuous Charge and in addition, pay a fine in the amount of \$500.00.

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Thelon Hamby moved, Draper Watson seconded, and the Board voted to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2009 meeting.

Thelon Hamby moved, Draper Watson seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the following licenses issued since the May 12, 2009 meeting:

<u>License Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>License Type</u>	<u>City</u>
CREM000081	Gregory B Levett & Sons Funeral Home & Crematory	Crematory	Buford
FEST001730	Gregory B Levett & Sons Funeral Home & Crematory	Funeral Establishment	Buford
FEST001731	William Gayleano Murray and Son Funeral Home	Funeral Establishment	Atlanta
FEST001732	Thomson Funeral System Inc	Funeral Establishment	Thomson

Thelon Hamby moved to enter into Executive Session to deliberate on applications, complaints, and investigations, as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2 (k) and 43-1-19 (h). Terry Daviston seconded the motion. The motion was carried by Linda Ware, Chairperson; Lauren McDonald, Vice Chair; Draper Watson; Thelon Hamby, David Roach, and Terry Daviston. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on the matters discussed and to continue with the public session.

Thelon Hamby moved, Lauren McDonald seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations made in Executive Session on the following appointments:

10:00 a.m.	FD FCC	Craig Tremble Funeral Home 66 Ledford Street Pembroke, GA 31321 Clara Gordon FD FCC FD002650	Approve
10:00 a.m.	Reinstatement	A M	Request GCIC, if clear, Approve with 4yrs probation
10:15 a.m.	FD FCC	A S Turner & Sons, Decatur, GA Owner: A S Turner & Sons Inc FD FCC: Frederick Campbell Turner	Rescheduled
10:15 a.m.	FD FCC	Gregory B Levett Dekalb Chapel Decatur, GA30034 Kimberly Norwood FD FCC	Rescheduled

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Thelon Hamby moved, Lauren McDonald seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations made in Executive Session on the following applications:

Coastal Camden 935 East King Ave. Kingsland, GA 31548	Approve
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Thelon Hamby moved, Lauren McDonald seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations made in Executive Session on the following case in the Attorney General's office:

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| • Hart's Mortuary at the Cupola | Waive fine; video display is not considered similar to cut aways etc. send letter with copy of AG memorandum |
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Thelon Hamby moved, Lauren McDonald seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations made in Executive Session on the following complaint and compliance issues:

Complaints:

FUN080035	Close
FUN080128	Close
FUN090084	Refer to enforcement to obtain statements - FTC violation
FUN090113	Refer to AG
FUN090127	Close

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Orders Accepting Fine Money:

FUN090128	Erwin-Petitt Funeral Home Inc.	Summerville	Non-porous sanitary sink cover.	\$50	Accept
FUN090129	Carmichael-Hemperley Funeral Home	Peachtree City	Non-porous sanitary sink cover.	\$50	Accept

Terry Daviston moved, Draper Watson seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following Continuing Education course:

Program Provider/Sponsor	Course Title	HRS Requested	HRS Approved
NFDA – National Funeral Directors Association	Certified Preplanning Consultant	16	16
	Executive Roundtable Program – Group 1	24	24
	STAR Service: 4 Steps to Customer Service Greatness	2	2
	Veterans Tributes and U.S. Flag Etiquette for Funeral Homes	1	1
NFDA – Leadership Conference	Scott’s Rules of Order	1	1
	Build an Effective Board	5	5
	Association Law Basics	2	2
	Preneed: How Does Your State Rate	1.5	1.5
	Breakout by Office	1.5	1.5
International Order of the Golden Rule	The Golden Rule School	21	21
Georgia Funeral Service Practitioners Association, Inc.	The Tissue Donation Process: Working With Donor Families: Organ Donation In the African American Community	2	2
	Making the Emotional Connection	2	2
	Funeral Directors Have Heart Disease Too: Know Your Risk Factors	2	2
	NFDMA, Highlighting the Benefits of Membership	1	Not Funeral related

