The **Connecticut Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors** held a meeting on February 4, 2016 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut in the third floor Hearing Room.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Darrell L. McClam, Embalmer - Chairman

Frank W. Carmon, IV, Embalmer

Agnes Pier

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Gerald Bosak, Jr., Embalmer

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

Gary Griffin, Department of Public Health

Alfreda Gaither, Hearing Officer

The meeting convened at 9:30 a.m.

I. OPEN FORUM

None

II. MINUTES

The December 1, 2015 minutes were reviewed and approved on a motion by Mr. Carmon, seconded by Ms. Pier.

III. <u>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES</u>

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigation Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported there are thirteen cases currently in various stages of investigation by the Department.

IV. FACT FINDING

Andre F. Baker, Jr., Embalmer - Petition No. 2012-490

Baker Funeral Services, Inc. - Petition No. 2012-491

The Board conducted fact-finding in these two matters

In the matter of Andre F. Baker, Jr., Embalmer - Petition No. 2012-490, Mr. Carmon made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pier, that there was no violation of Connecticut General Statutes in this case and therefore no disciplinary action will be imposed. The motion passed unanimously.

In the matter of the and Baker Funeral Services, Inc. - Petition No. 2012-491, Ms. Pier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carmon, that there was no violation of Connecticut General Statutes with regard to the allegations in Count 1, therefore no disciplinary action will be imposed. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Carmon made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pier, that there was no violation of Connecticut General Statutes with regard to the allegations in Count 2, therefore no disciplinary action will be imposed. The motion passed unanimously.

Memoranda of Decision in these matters will be drafted and reviewed at a future meeting.

V. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Darrell L. McClam - Chairman

Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors** held a meeting on April 12, 2016 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut in the third floor Hearing Room.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Darrell L. McClam, Embalmer – Chairman

Gerald Bosak, Jr., Embalmer Frank W. Carmon, IV, Embalmer

Agnes Pier

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

Gary Griffin, Department of Public Health

Alfreda Gaither, Hearing Officer

The meeting convened at 9:41 a.m.

I. LITIGATION

 CHRISTOPHER PANNESE v STATE OF CONNECTICUT; STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH; CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF EMBALMERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS, ET AL. - Docket No. 3:15-cv-00092 RNC

• KEITH MATTEI V. THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT, ET AL. Docket No. 3:15-cv-000621 RNC Assistant Attorney General Kerry Colson provided the Board with an update that both these matters are closed.

II. OPEN FORUM

None

III. MINUTES

The February 4, 2016 minutes were reviewed and approved on a motion by Mr. Carmon, seconded by Ms. Pier.

IV. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigation Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported there are five cases currently in various stages of investigation by the Department.

V. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Darrell L. McClam - Chairman

Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors

The Connecticut Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors held a meeting on July 28, 2016 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut in the third floor Hearing Room.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Darrell L. McClam, Embalmer – Chairman

Gerald Bosak, Jr., Embalmer Frank W. Carmon, IV, Embalmer Agnes Pier, Public Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

Gary Griffin, Department of Public Health

Alfreda Gaither, Hearing Officer

The meeting convened at 10:09 a.m.

I. OPEN FORUM

None

II. MINUTES

The May 12, 2016 minutes were reviewed and approved on a motion by Mr. Bosak, seconded by Mr. Carmon.

III. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigation Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported there are ten cases currently in various stages of investigation by the Department. One case was dismissed since the last meeting.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

<u>License Reinstatement Application - Anthony Lucibello (embalmer license # 002422)</u>

An application for license reinstatement for Anthony Lucibello_was presented by Frank Manna, Office of Practitioner Licensing and Certification.

Mr. Bosak made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carmon, to recommend reinstatement of Mr. Lucibello's license. The motion passed unanimously.

V. MEMORANDA OF DECISION

Andre F. Baker, Jr., Embalmer - Petition No. 2012-490 Baker Funeral Services, Inc. - Petition No. 2012-491

Ms. Pier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carmon to adopt the Memoranda of Decision in these matters. The motion passed with all in favor except Mr. Bosak who recused himself from voting. Mr. McClam signed the Orders dismissing the charges in both cases.

VI. OFFICE OF LEGAL COMPLIANCE

A. Luke DiMaria, Embalmer – Petition Nos. 2014-948; 2015-1402

<u>Abbey Funeral Home and Cremation Servicer – Petition Nos. 2014-947; 2015-1403</u>

Diane Wilan, Staff Attorney, DPH presented Consent Orders in these matters. Respondent was represented by Attorney Joan Feldman.

Mr. Bosak, Mr. Carmon and Ms. Pier spoke in opposition to acceptance of the Consent Orders. Attorney Feldman addressed the Board indicating that respondent disputes the allegations referenced in the Consent Orders. Based on Attorney Feldman's comments, Attorney Wilan withdrew the Department of Public Health's request for consideration of the proposed Consent Orders.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Darrell L. McClam - Chairman
Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors

The Connecticut Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors held a meeting on September 13, 2016 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut in the third floor Hearing Room.

Darrell L. McClam, Embalmer - Chairman - via telephone **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Gerald Bosak, Jr., Embalmer - via telephone Frank W. Carmon, IV, Embalmer - via telephone

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Agnes Pier, Public Member

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

Gary Griffin, Department of Public Health

The meeting convened at 9:32 a.m.

I. OPEN FORUM

None

II. **MINUTES**

The July 28, 2016 minutes were reviewed and approved on a motion by Mr. Bosak, seconded by Mr. Carmon.

III. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigation Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported there are ten cases currently in various stages of investigation by the Department

IV. **MEMORANDA OF DECISION**

Scott DeMarco - Petition No. 2012-1025

All State Cremation and Funeral Care, LLC - Petition No. 2012-1026

Mr. Bosak made a motion, seconded by Mr. Carmon to adopt the Memoranda of Decision in these matters. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. McClam signed the Orders which impose a \$5000.00 civil penalty and a one year period of probation in each case.

V. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Darrell L. McClam - Chairman

Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors

The Connecticut Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors held a meeting on November 17, 2016 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut in the third floor Hearing Room.

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Darrell L. McClam, Embalmer – Chairman – Via telephone

Gerald Bosak, Jr., Embalmer – *Via telephone* Frank W. Carmon, IV, Embalmer – *Via telephone*

Agnes Pier - Via telephone

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Gary Griffin, Department of Public Health

Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison Alfreda Gaither, Hearing Officer

The meeting convened at 9:31 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The September 13, 2016 minutes were reviewed and approved on a motion by Mr. Bosak, seconded by Ms. Pier.

II. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigation Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported there are ten cases currently in various stages of investigation by the Department.

III. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

A. <u>Schedule Meeting Dates for 2017</u>

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for 2017:

January 19, 2017 March 28, 2017

June 22, 2017

August 29, 2017

November 2, 2017

All meetings will be scheduled for 9:30 a.m., at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m. on a motion by Ms. Pier, seconded by Mr. Bosak.

Respectfully submitted,

Darrell L. McClam - Chairman

Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors