

APPROVED
VIRGINIA BOARD OF FUNERAL DIRECTORS AND EMBALMERS
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

The Special Conference Committee of the Virginia Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers convened on December 8, 2009 at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, 2nd Floor, Hearing Room 2, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert B. Burger, Jr., FSP, Presiding Chair
Blair H. Nelsen, FSP, Board Member

STAFF PRESENT: Rashaun K. Minor, Discipline Operations Manager
Peter Opper, Adjudication Specialist

CONFERENCE SCHEDULED: **Abraham Applewhite – Reinstatement of Funeral Service Provider License**
Case Number: 127239

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Burger called the conference to order at 10:15 a.m.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Applewhite appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with the notice of the Board dated November 9, 2009.

The Committee reviewed the notice of informal with Mr. Applewhite's regarding reinstatement of his Funeral Service Provider license. Mr. Applewhite submitted supporting letters of reference.

CLOSED SESSION: Mr. Nelsen moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section §2.2-3711(A)(28) of the *Code of Virginia* for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Abraham Applewhite. Additionally, Mr. Burger moved that Ms. Minor and Mr. Opper attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

The Committee convened in closed session at 11:05 a.m.

OPEN SESSION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 11:40 a.m.

Mr. Nelsen moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Mr. Opper read the Committee's decision. The Committee adopted the decision. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Abraham Applewhite Funeral Service Provider license was reinstated on PROBATION for three (3) years with terms and conditions.

ADJOURNMENT: The Committee adjourn this case at 11:45 a.m.

Robert B. Burger, Jr., FSP, Presiding Chair

Lisa R. Hahn, Executive Director

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