

IN THE MATTER OF **LOUISIANA STATE BOARD**
JORDEN L. TAYLOR and the **OF EMBALMERS**
entity formerly operating as **AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS**
RAYNE MEMORIAL CHAPEL & FUNERAL PARLOR,
RAYNE, LOUISIANA

FILED: APR 15 2016


CLERK

FINDINGS of FACT and DECISION of the BOARD

This matter came before the Louisiana State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors for hearing on April 13, 2016.

Present:

CHANEL R. DEBOSE, Prosecuting Attorney, for and on behalf of the Louisiana State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors.

DIANNE T. ALEXANDER, General Counsel, for and on behalf of the Louisiana State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors.

After considering the law, the evidence, the testimony of the witnesses, and the entire record of these proceedings, together with the explanations which were submitted by the witness, and made a part of the record on behalf of licensee before the Board on April 13, 2016, and the additional documentation which was submitted with the Board's permission, on behalf of Mr. Jordan L. Taylor following the presentation of April 13, 2016, the Board finds as follows:

FINDINGS of FACT

That **JORDEN L. TAYLOR** is a licensed funeral director (U-1328), and was the owner and the designated manager of the former entity known as Rayne Memorial Chapel and Funeral Parlor Rayne, Louisiana and, therefore, subject to the jurisdiction of this Board; That evidence contained within the record of these proceedings, together with the testimony of the witnesses made within the

presentation, reflects that **JORDEN L. TAYLOR** is guilty of violating the provision of LA R.S. 37:865 (A) (B) and 37: 864: (A) (5).

CONCLUSIONS

As to **JORDEN L. TAYLOR**, the Board members found Mr. Taylor violated the provision of LA R.S. 37:846 A (5) (6) by engaging in unprofessional, unethical, and/or dishonest conduct evidenced by testimony of Dianne T. Alexander, Mr. Taylor was served a subpoena by United States Postal Service first class registered mail return receipt requested for the formal hearing on April 13, 2016; the green card was signed for on March 3, 2016 at 306 Pelican Ridge Cove Carencro, Louisiana by Brenda Taylor; the address was provided to the Board by Mr. Taylor; though summoned by subpoena and given notice of the formal hearing on March 3, 2016, Mr. Taylor failed to appear for the hearing.

As to **JORDEN L. TAYLOR**, the Board members found Mr. Taylor violated the provision of LA R.S. 37:846 A (5) (6) by engaging in unprofessional, unethical, and/or dishonest conduct evidenced by testimony of Tammy Snyder and John Patrick Trahan. Both Ms. Snyder and Mr. Trahan testified Mr. Taylor demanded \$500.00 be paid before he would provide the family with a certified death certificate for Ms. Snyder's sister Elaine D. Macip.

As to **JORDEN L. TAYLOR** the Board members found Mr. Taylor violated the provisions of LA R.S. 37:865 (A) (B) by converting preneed funeral funds for personal use or some other unauthorized use evidenced by the testimony of the complainant Angela Richard, a Revocable Preneed Funeral Agreement and an Assignment and a Statement of Funeral Goods and Services. Ms. Richard testified Mr. Taylor was paid \$2,358.00 for preneed funeral services for her father Maurice Richard but she never received the insurance policy or the policy number after multiple attempts to contact Mr. Taylor.

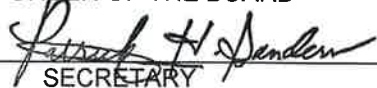
DECISION of the BOARD

Accordingly, for the reasons as stated and as noted herein above;

IT IS ORDERED BY THE BOARD THAT, JORDEN L. TAYLOR is hereby found guilty of violating the provisions of LA R.S. 37:846 A (5) and 37: 865 (A) (B) accordingly, Mr. Taylor's funeral director's license is revoked.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED BY THE BOARD THAT, JORDEN L. TAYLOR for said violations of LA R.S. 37:846 A (5) Mr. Taylor must pay a fine in the amount of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) for his failure to appear for the formal hearing on April 13, 2016 in the matter of Angela Richard v. Jordan L. Taylor and the entity formally known as Rayne Memorial Chapel & Funeral Parlor. Mr. Taylor must pay a fine in the amount of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) for his failure to appear for the formal hearing on April 13, 2016 in the matter of John Trahan v. Jordan L. Taylor and the entity formally known as Rayne Memorial Chapel & Funeral Parlor. Mr. Taylor must pay a fine in the amount of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2, 500.00) for demanding five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for a death certificate. Mr. Taylor must pay fines in the amount of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) for violating LA R.S. 37:865 (A) (B) for his conversion of preneed funeral funds for an unauthorized purpose. **JORDEN L. TAYLOR** must pay the aforementioned fines totaling ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) and appear at a formal hearing before the Board will consider reinstatement of his revoked funeral director's license.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD


SECRETARY

METAIRIE, LOUISIANA
April 13, 2016