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### REGULATORY BOARDS DISCIPLINARY ACTION REPORT JULY 2012

### **Accountancy Board**

Respondent: W. Edward Souther, Knoxville, TN Violation: Unlicensed Practice; Misconduct

Action: \$2,000 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Titan Financial CPAs, Memphis, TN Violation: Failure to Obtain Peer Review

Action: \$1,000 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Donald R. Abercrombie, Nashville, TN

Violation: Discreditable Acts

Action: Suspension

### **Alarm Systems Contractors Board**

Respondent: Roger D. Gilmore, QA-816, Smyrna, TN

Violation: TCA 62-32-307(d), 62-32-312(a), (c), & (d) & Rule 0090-1-.06

Failure to register alarm employee within thirty (30) days

Action: \$5,000 Civil Penalty

#### **Auctioneer Commission**

**Respondent**: Timothy Haynes and Laura Hale, Murfreesboro, TN **Violation**: Unlicensed Activity in violation of TCA 62-19-125

Action: \$980 Civil Penalty

#### **Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers**

Respondent: Joseph S. Ford, Sr., Memphis, TN

Violation: Practiced funeral directing during a time his funeral director license

was invalid due to non-renewal by expiration date

Action: \$500 Civil Penalty and \$200 Costs

DAVY CROCKET TOWER, 12th FLOOR 500 JAMES ROBERTSON PARKWAY NASHVILLE, TN 37243 www.tn.gov/commerce/ Respondent: Schubert Funeral Home, Inc., Sunbright, TN

Violation: Failed to make available for inspection the current license of a

funeral director, failed to maintain a copy of the crematory's results of the latest regularly scheduled inspection which the funeral home uses and failed to comply with multiple aspects of the Funeral Rule

Action: \$250 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Wilkinson & Wiseman Funeral Home, Inc., Portland, TN

Violation: Failed to maintain a copy of the crematory's results of the latest

regularly scheduled inspection which the funeral home uses, cremation authorization form lacked the signature of a funeral director and unlicensed individuals were listed on the establishment website that either gave or tended to give the impression they were

licensed to practice either as a funeral director or embalmer

Action: \$250 Civil Penalty

#### **Burial Services**

Respondent: Arlington of Tennessee, Cookeville, TN

Violation: Omitted specific disclosure language that is required on cemetery

purchase contracts, failed to timely provide proof of ownership to the purchaser of an interment right, failed to obtain fidelity bond coverage for the cemetery officers and employees who handle cash and securities and failed to file a correctly completed annual report

Action: \$250 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Bluff View Memorial Gardens, Inc., Pegram, TN

Violation: Failed on numerous occasions to make deposits into the trust fund

within the time allotted by law, failed to account for consumer protection fees due on preneed sales contracts, failed to maintain contract sales records, failed to obtain fidelity bond coverage for the cemetery officers and employees who handle cash and securities and omitted specific disclosure language that is required on

cemetery purchase contracts

Action: \$750 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Grainger Memorial Gardens, Rutledge, TN

Violation: Failed to make deposits into the trust fund within the time allotted

by law, failed to obtain fidelity bond coverage for the cemetery officers and employees who handle cash and securities and omitted specific disclosure language that is required on cemetery

purchase contracts

Action: \$500 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Green Hill Cemetery, Etowah, TN

Violation: Failed to make deposits into the cemetery trust funds within the

time allotted by law, sold funeral merchandise but failed to deposit funds into a preneed funeral trust, neither the cemetery company nor individual sales agent that offered and sold preneed funeral contracts were registered with the Commissioner and failed to

timely file annual reports

Action: \$2,000 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Henry Louis Smith Funeral Directors, Nashville, TN

Violation: Neither the firm nor individual sales agent that offered and sold

preneed funeral contracts were registered with the Commissioner, failed to establish and timely deposit preneed funeral funds into a proper trust, failed to maintain accurate accounts, books, and records in this state regarding all preneed funeral contract and prearrangement insurance policy transactions, improperly provided discounts on preneed funeral contracts, wrote preneed funeral contracts without the contracts being filed with nor approved by the

Commissioner and failed to timely file annual reports

Action: \$4,900 Civil Penalty and \$200 Costs

Respondent: Independence Trust Company, Franklin, TN

Violation: Trustee wrongly invaded the principal of a trust fund, diminishing

the principal for trustee fees

Action: \$250 Civil Penalty and Re-deposit \$2,210 into Trust Fund

Respondent: New Gray Cemetery, Knoxville, TN

Violation: Payments made toward cemetery contracts were not properly

trusted as required by law, as the cemetery applied installment payments first to non-trusted items, then to preneed interments, and then to merchanding in violation of statutory requirements.

and then to merchandise, in violation of statutory requirements

Action: \$1,000 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Rawlings Funeral Home, Sevierville, TN

Violation: Provided discounts on preneed funeral contracts and failed to

timely file a correctly completed annual report

Action: \$250 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Resthaven Memorial Gardens, Incorporated, Clarksville, TN

Violation: Failed to make numerous deposits into the cemetery trust funds

within the time allotted by law and failed to timely file correctly

completed annual reports

Action: \$2,750 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Woodlawn Memorial Park, Nashville, TN

Violation: Improperly charged inspection fees of monuments sold by a third

party

Action: \$1,100 Civil Penalty

## **Board for Licensing Contractors**

Respondent: Keith Boswell Construction, Waverly, TN

Violation: Incompetency
Action: \$2,000 Civil Penalty

### **Board of Examiners for Land Surveyors**

Respondent: Gregory L. Mullins, Abingdon, VA

Violation: Unlicensed conduct Action: \$250 Civil Penalty

## **Geology Registration Program**

Respondent: Gregory L. Mullins, Abingdon, VA

Violation: Unlicensed conduct Action: \$250 Civil Penalty

#### **Motor Vehicle Commission**

Respondent: A & H Enterprises, Inc., Memphis, TN

Violation: Deceptive Acts
Action: \$3,000 Civil Penalty

Respondent: K & L Trailers Sales & Leasing, Knoxville, TN

Violation: Unlicensed Activity
Action: \$8,500 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Auto Star Imports, Nashville, TN

Violation: Temporary Tag Log/Excess Tags/Unlicensed Salesperson

Action: \$1,500 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Cars Etc., Inc., Knoxville, TN Violation: Temporary Tag Log Violation

Action: \$500 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Pegram's Auto Sales, Inc., Hendersonville, TN

Violation: Temporary Tag Log Violations

Action: \$7,500 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Cedric Price, Jackson, TN

Violation: Unlicensed Activity Action: \$1,500 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Michael Cruse, Parsons, TN

Violation: Unlicensed Activity Action: \$2,000 Civil Penalty Respondent: Whitehead Auto Sales, Alcoa, TN Violation: Temporary Tag Log Violation

Action: \$500 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Money Tree Motors, Winchester, TN

Violation: Business License Violation

Action: \$500 Civil Penalty

# **Private Protective Security Services**

Respondent: Joseph D. Atkins, AG-610417, Bartlett, TN

Violation: TCA 62-35-120(b) Failure to notify of arrest within thirty (30) days.

TCA 62-35-130(a)(1), (4), (5) & (6) Conviction

Action: Revocation

Respondent: Joshua B. Lewis, AG-613464, Goodlettsville, TN

Violation: TCA 62-35-120(b) Failure to notify of arrest within thirty (30) days

Action: \$150 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Earl D. McClain, AG-615755, Maryville, TN

Violation: TCA 62-35-117(6) & (7) Not have any disability & be of good moral

character; TCA 62-35-120(b) Failure to notify of arrest within thirty (30) days; TCA 62-35-130(a)(1) & (6) Engaged in unprofessional

conduct

Action: Suspension

Respondent: Bill Rogers, AG-314781, Memphis, TN

Violation: TCA 62-35-130(e) Failure to request a hearing within thirty (30)

days of the conviction

Action: Revocation

Respondent: Edward L. Stooksbury, AG-606153, Knoxville, TN

Violation: TCA 62-35-130(a) Failure to comply with the payment agreement

Action: Revocation

Respondent: George E. Anderson, UG-395404, Memphis, TN

Violation: TCA 62-35-130(a) Failure to comply with the payment agreement

Action: Revocation

Respondent: John W. Ladd, UG-209434, Gallatin, TN Violation: TCA 62-35-115(a) Unlicensed activity

Action: \$200 Civil Penalty

# **Real Estate Appraisers**

Respondent: Thomas A. Bain, Jr., Memphis, TN

Violation: Violated USPAP in a residential appraisal report by failing to

analyze relevant characteristics, listing and sale information of the subject property and comparable sales and the site value, cost approach and income approach were not adequately supported

Action: \$500 Civil Penalty and a thirty (30) hour Basic Appraisal

Procedures course

Respondent: Larry C. Graham, Frisco, TX

Violation: Guilty pleas to Counts 1 and 4 of a 7 count Indictment in the US

District Court, Western District of Tennessee which alleged that he engaged in a conspiracy to commit mail, wire and bank fraud, and that he committed money laundering based on his actions in fraudulently overvaluing and/or having financial conflicts of interest regarding the sales of 28 residential properties in Memphis

between 2006 and 2007

Action: Permanent revocation of his certified residential appraiser

certificate

#### **Real Estate Commission**

Respondent: Stanley B. Brown, Chattanooga, TN

Violation: Failure to timely remit monies belonging to others; Failure to timely

account for trust funds deposits; Escrow account violation

Action: \$1,500 Civil Penalty and attendance at a two-day meeting of the

Commission

Respondent: Craig A. Cantrell, Gatlinburg, TN

Violation: Failure to timely complete administrative measures

Action: \$250 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Robin Ranae Dahl, Franklin, TN

Violation: Failure to timely complete administrative measures

Action: \$250 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Jody M. Hodges, Brentwood, TN

Violation: Escrow account violation

Action: \$500 Civil Penalty and attendance at a two-day meeting of the

Commission

Respondent: Midgett & Fite, Lebanon, TN Violation: Escrow account violation

Action: \$250 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Sherry F. Mullins, Mt. Juliet, TN

Violation: Advertising violation Action: \$250 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Karen Packett, Knoxville, TN

Violation: Failure to timely complete required education

Action: \$550 Civil Penalty

Respondent: Kristin B. Wallis, Knoxville, TN

Violation: Operating unlicensed property management company

Action: \$1,000 Civil Penalty

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