

**BEFORE THE STATE BOARD OF EMBALMERS, FUNERAL DIRECTORS,
CEMETERIES, AND BURIAL SERVICES**

**IN THE MATTER OF
Larron Gilbert McClure, Applicant for Apprentice
Funeral Director, Respondent**

Case No. 19-19

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER

A hearing on the above-referenced matter was held before the Arkansas State Board of Embalmers, Funeral Directors, Cemeteries, and Burial Services (the "Board") on July 16, 2019, at the Arkansas Insurance Department, First Floor Hearing Room, 1200 W. 3rd St., Little Rock. The Respondent, Larron Gilbert McClure, appeared. Amanda Gibson, Associate Counsel at the Arkansas Insurance Department appeared on behalf of the Board. Finding proper notice was given to the Respondent, the Board, from all the evidence presented, issues the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent is currently employed at Willis Funeral Service in Batesville, AR.
2. On May 24, 2019 Respondent submitted an application for registration as an apprentice funeral director.
3. On May 19, 2014, Respondent pled guilty to Theft of Property, a Class D Felony.
4. As a result, Respondent was sentenced to a term of probation for 72 months, and he was ordered to make restitution.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

1. Respondent's actions, as set forth in the Findings of Fact 3 and 4 above, constitute a violation of Ark. Code Ann. § 17-29-302(a)(6)(A) in that Respondent cannot pass the State Police criminal background check required of funeral directors because of his felony conviction.

ORDER

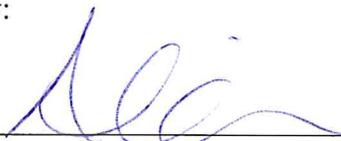
Based upon the testimony and evidence presented at the hearing, the Board hereby orders that Respondent Larron McClure's application to register as an Apprentice Funeral Director, notwithstanding his felony conviction, is **GRANTED**.

Pursuant to the Arkansas Administrative Procedure Act, Ark. Code Ann. § 25-15-212, the Respondent may petition for judicial review of this decision by filing a petition in the Circuit Court of the county in which he resides or does business, or in the Circuit Court of Pulaski County, within thirty (30) days after service of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 16TH DAY OF JULY, 2019.

**STATE BOARD OF EMBALMERS,
FUNERAL DIRECTORS,
CEMETERIES, AND BURIAL
SERVICES**

By:



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