

## WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES



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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE FUNERAL DIRECTORS EXAMINING BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY :  
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :  
: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER  
CHARLANE RICHARDSON, :  
RESPONDENT. :

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 14 FDR 017

The parties to this action for the purpose of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

Charlane Richardson  
2535 N. Teutonia  
Milwaukee, WI 53206

Wisconsin Funeral Directors Examining Board  
P.O. Box 8366  
Madison, WI 53708-8366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance  
Department of Safety and Professional Services  
P.O. Box 7190  
Madison, WI 53707-7190

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Funeral Directors Examining Board (Board). The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Charlane Richardson (DOB 09/13/1949) is licensed by the State of Wisconsin as a funeral director, having license number 4671-77, first issued on July 31, 1985, and current through December 14, 2017. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 2535 North Teutonia, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53206.

2. On May 13, 2003, the Board reprimanded Respondent for, among other things, conducting funerals while the funeral establishment permit was expired in violation of Wis. Stat. § 445.105(1) (Order No. LS0305137FDR).

3. Respondent is identified in Department records as the funeral director in charge for Banks Funeral Services (Permit No. 2655-78) at all times relevant to this matter.

4. Respondent performed eight (8) funerals with Banks Funeral Services between June 3, 2015 and October 13, 2015 while Banks Funeral Services' funeral establishment permit was expired.

5. In resolution of this matter, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Funeral Directors Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 445.13, and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Respondent violated Wis. Stat. § 445.105(1) by conducting funeral services outside a funeral establishment that has been issued a permit by the board.

3. As a result of the above violations, Respondent Charlane Richardson is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 445.13(1).

#### ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. Respondent Charlane Richardson is REPRIMANDED.

3. Respondent Charlane Richardson shall pay COSTS in the amount of \$1,745 pursuant to the following schedule:

<u>Payment Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
July 1, 2016	\$440
November 1, 2016	\$435
March 1, 2017	\$435
July 1, 2017	\$435

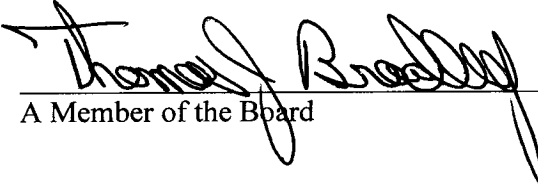
4. Payment of costs shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services and sent to the Department Monitor at the address below:

Department Monitor  
Division of Legal Services and Compliance  
Department of Safety and Professional Services  
P.O. Box 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190  
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264  
DPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

5. In the event Respondent fails to timely submit payment of the costs as ordered, Respondent's license (no. 4671-77), or Respondent's right to renew her license, may, in the discretion of the Board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with payment of the costs.

6. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN FUNERAL DIRECTORS EXAMINING BOARD

by:   
A Member of the Board

8-2-2016  
Date

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE FUNERAL DIRECTORS EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY  
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

CHARLANE RICHARDSON,  
RESPONDENT.

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STIPULATION

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 14 FDR 017

Respondent Charlane Richardson and the Division of Legal Services and Compliance,  
Department of Safety and Professional Services stipulate as follows:

1. This Stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation by the  
Division of Legal Services and Compliance. Respondent consents to the resolution of this  
investigation by Stipulation.

2. Respondent understands that by signing this Stipulation, Respondent voluntarily  
and knowingly waives the following rights:

- the right to a hearing on the allegations against Respondent, at which time the State has  
the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence;
- the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against Respondent;
- the right to call witnesses on Respondent's behalf and to compel their attendance by  
subpoena;
- the right to testify on Respondent's own behalf;
- the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to present briefs or oral  
arguments to the officials who are to render the final decision;
- the right to petition for rehearing; and
- all other applicable rights afforded to Respondent under the United States Constitution,  
the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code,  
and other provisions of state or federal law.

3. Respondent is aware of Respondent's right to seek legal representation and has  
been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation. Respondent  
is represented by Emmanuel L. Muwonge.

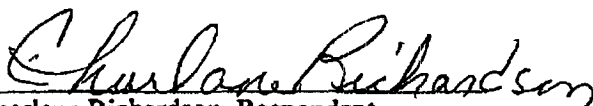
4. Respondent agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by  
the Wisconsin Funeral Directors Examining Board (Board). The parties to the Stipulation  
consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order without further notice, pleading,  
appearance or consent of the parties. Respondent waives all rights to any appeal of the Board's  
order, if adopted in the form as attached.

5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Board, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that the Stipulation is not accepted by the Board, the parties agree not to contend that the Board has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.

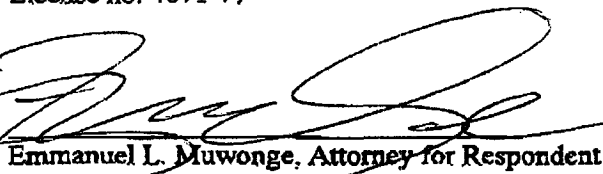
6. The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney or other agent for the Division of Legal Services and Compliance and any member of the Board ever assigned as an advisor in this investigation may appear before the Board in open or closed session, without the presence of Respondent or Respondent's attorney, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that any member of the Board may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such advisor may vote on whether the Board should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

7. Respondent is informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's Final Decision and Order is a public record and will be published in accordance with standard Department procedure.

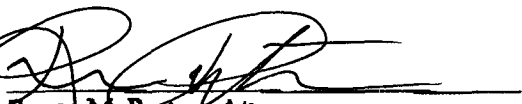
8. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

  
Charlane Richardson, Respondent  
2535 N. Teutonia  
Milwaukee, WI 53206  
License no. 4671-77

6-3-16  
Date:

  
Emmanuel L. Muwonge, Attorney for Respondent  
Emmanuel L. Muwonge LLC  
2051 W. Wisconsin Ave.  
Milwaukee, WI 53233

6-3-16  
Date:

  
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Madison, WI 53707-7190

6/3/2016  
Date: