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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF MORTUARY SCIENCE

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION :
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSES :
AND REGISTRATIONS OF: :
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LAWRENCE G. BOLEN :
LICENSE NO. JP03189 :
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RODNEY R. BOLEN :
LICENSE NO. JP03946 and :
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CARMONA-BOLEN HOMES :
FOR FUNERALS :
REGISTRATION NOS. JB00706 :
JB00706 (Toms River) and :
JB010227 (Whiting) :
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TO PRACTICE MORTUARY SCIENCE AND :
TO OPERATE REGISTERED MORTUARIES :
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY :
:

Administrative Action

AMENDED ORDER

This matter was opened before the New Jersey State Board of Mortuary Science upon the filing of a complaint for the revocation or suspension of the licenses of Lawrence G. Bolen, Rodney R. Bolen and Carmona-Bolen Homes for Funerals, by Peter Verniero, Attorney General of New Jersey, John DeCicco, Senior Deputy Attorney General, appearing. Thomas M. McCormick, Esq., appears in this matter on behalf of Carmona-Bolen Homes for Funerals; Joseph Coronato, Esq., appears on behalf of Lawrence Bolen; and Kevin Wm. Kelly, Esq. appears

on behalf of Rodney Bolen.

At its regular meeting of October 21, 1997, the date when the hearing on this matter was scheduled to commence, the Board noted that by letter of September 18, 1997, to Deputy Attorney General DeCicco copied to Executive Director Paul Brush and to counsel for the Board, Mr. McCormack, on behalf of his client and with the knowledge and acquiescence of counsel for Lawrence and Rodney Bolen, asserted that the respondents entered a plea of nolo contendere to the charges pending against them in this matter. The Board accepted this plea by unanimous vote.

Mr. McCormack further asserted that respondents wished to be given the opportunity to appear before the Board to offer testimony and other evidence in mitigation of any penalty which the Board might impose, which the Board determined to allow by means of a mitigation hearing.

IT IS therefore;

ORDERED that as a result of respondents' pleas of nolo contendere to the complaint filed by the Attorney General in this matter, the Board will treat the allegations of the complaint as admitted by respondents for purposes of imposing any penalties or fines, and it is further

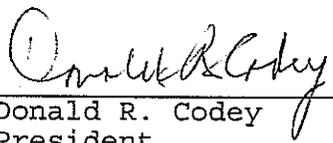
ORDERED that the mitigation hearing in this matter shall be held on January 6 and 7, 1998, beginning each day at 9:30 a.m. at 124 Halsey Street in Newark, New Jersey, and it is further

ORDERED that the Board reserves the right to limit evidence which appears to be cumulative and repetitive, and it is further

ORDERED that all parties shall immediately exchange discovery pertaining to said mitigation hearing, including, but not limited to, copies of any written material which will be offered in evidence and the names of all proposed witnesses with statements clearly indicating

the content of expected testimony. Should the need arise for the Board to expand upon or interpret any part of this discovery requirement, parties may expeditiously contact the Executive Director of the Board in writing and the Board will consider such request. Documents, witnesses or testimony not meaningfully disclosed during discovery will not be accepted or considered by the Board.

BOARD OF MORTUARY SCIENCE

By: 
Donald R. Codey
President