

STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES  
BUREAU OF HEALTH SYSTEM REGULATION  
DIVISION OF MEDICAL QUALITY ASSURANCE

In re: Norman Bell, Jr., Embalmer

Petition No. P61017-30-010

CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Norman Bell, Jr., Embalmer, of Hartford, Connecticut, has been issued license number 001878, to practice embalming by the Department of Health Services pursuant to Chapter 385 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended; and

WHEREAS, Norman Bell, Jr., hereinafter referred to as the Respondent, heretby admits as follows:

1. That probable cause exists for the instant proceeding.
2. That there is an adequate evidentiary basis for the instant Consent Order.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §19a-17 and §20-227 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, Norman Bell, Jr. heretby stipulates and agrees to the following:

1. That he waives his right to a hearing on the merits of this matter;
2. That his license to practice as an embalmer in Connecticut is hereby suspended for six months;
3. That said suspension is stayed immediately, and he is to be on probation for six months under the following terms and conditions:
  - (a) During the period of probation, a Department of Health Services consultant will review the Respondent's system of handling cremains, and the Respondent will timely adopt any reasonable suggestions made by said consultant.

(b) Random inspections shall be made by said consultant, who shall be allowed access to the funeral home to perform these inspections upon reasonable notice.

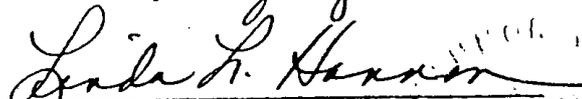
4. That any deviation by the Respondent from the terms of probation specified in paragraphs 3a.-3b. above shall constitute a violation of probation and will result in the following procedure:
  - a. That he will be notified in writing that the term(s) of probation have been violated provided no prior written consent for deviation from the term(s) had been granted by the Department of Health Services.
  - b. That said notification shall include the act(s) or omission(s) which violate the probation.
  - c. That he will be allowed fifteen (15) days to demonstrate to the Department of Health Services that he was in compliance with the terms of probation, or to cure the violation of the terms of probation.
  - d. That if he does not demonstrate compliance or cure the violation by the limited fifteen (15) day date certain contained in the notification of violation to the satisfaction of the Department of Health Services, his license shall be suspended for a period of six (6) months or he shall be entitled to a hearing, at the Respondent's option.
  - e. He must initiate said hearing through a written request by certified mail to the Department of Health Services within fifteen (15) days from notification of violation of probation.
  - f. He shall be entitled to a hearing before the Connecticut Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors.

- g. Evidence presented to said Board by either the Department of Health Services or Respondent shall be limited to the alleged violation(s) of the term(s) of probation.
5. That he understands that this Consent Order may be considered as evidence of the above admissions in any proceeding before the Connecticut Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors (1) in which his compliance with this same order is at issue, or (2) in which his compliance with §20-227 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, is at issue.
  6. That this Consent Order and terms set forth herein are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review under any form or in any forum, but that neither this order or its terms constitute an admission of wrongdoing or liability for any purpose but the resolution of the instant proceeding. Further, that said order is not subject to appeal or review under the provisions of Chapters 54 or 366a of the General Statutes of Connecticut, provided that this stipulation shall not deprive him of any rights that he may have under the laws of the State of Connecticut or of the United States.
  7. That this Consent Order is effective the first day of the next month after which the seal of the last signatory is fixed to this document.
  8. That he permits a representative of the Public Health Hearing Office of the Division of Medical Quality Assurance, Connecticut Department of Health Services to present this Consent Order and the factual basis for said Consent Order to the Connecticut Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors. He understands that said Board has complete and final discretion as to whether or not an executed Consent Order is approved or granted.
  9. That he has consulted with an attorney prior to signing this document.

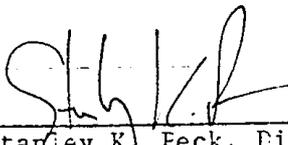
I, Norman Bell, Jr., have read the above Consent Order, and I agree and admit to the terms and allegations set forth therein. I further declare the execution of this Consent Order to be my free act and deed.

  
Norman Bell, Jr. Embalmer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 1988.

  
Notary Public or person authorized by law to administer an oath or affirmation  
LINDA L. HANNON  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MARCH 31, 1990

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Commissioner of Health Services on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 1988, it is hereby accepted.

  
Stanley K. Feck, Director  
Division of Medical Quality Assurance

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Connecticut Board of Examiners of Embalmers and Funeral Directors on the day of August, 18 1988, it is hereby ordered and accepted.

  
Board