

**Funeral Service Practitioner or Funeral Director License by Reciprocity:** Applicants for licensure by reciprocity/endorsement who hold a valid license from another state may be eligible for licensure in Mississippi provided:

30 Code Miss. R. Pt. 2401, R. 7.1

1. The applicant must submit the required license application and all appropriate fees

2. The applicant provides evidence satisfactory to the Board that he or she holds a valid, unrevoked, and unexpired license a funeral service practitioner or funeral director in another state having substantially similar requirements to the requirements for licensure as either an embalmer or funeral director in this state including a copy of his/her original license issued by the other state.

3. The applicant possesses a license in good standing in all states in which the applicant is licensed.

4. The applicant must not be the subject of any pending or unresolved complaint, investigation or disciplinary proceeding or action in any state or jurisdiction in which the applicant holds or has held a license. The applicant must provide all information, including any information or documentation requested by the Board, in connection with any pending or unresolved complaint, investigation or disciplinary action for the Board's review. The pendency of any complaint or disciplinary action or proceeding will be considered by the Board as a reason for denying licensure by reciprocity.

5. The Board receives a certification from the licensing board of the state or territory from which the applicant seeks a reciprocal license showing the applicant to be in good standing with the Board and whether the reciprocal applicant has ever been subject to discipline or if there are any complaints pending against the reciprocal applicant.

6. The applicant provides proof of his or her educational and professional qualifications which shall be substantially equivalent to the requirements existing in Mississippi at the time he or she was originally licensed.

**7. Examination**

8. The applicant must not have committed any act which could result in denial of a license or discipline pursuant to Section 73-11-57 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

9. The applicant must not have been subject to any disciplinary action in any state or other jurisdiction related to the practice of funeral directing of funeral service or related to any other profession for which the applicant is licensed, certified, registered or legally recognized to practice including resignation from practice, revocation, suspension, withdrawal or surrender of the applicant's license, certificate or registration as a result of or during the pendency of disciplinary proceedings or investigation for potential disciplinary action.

Sufficient evidence is presented to the Board showing that the applicant has achieved a score of seventy-five percent (75%) or better on the National Board Funeral Service Arts Examination provided by the International Conference of Funeral Service Examining Boards, Inc., or designee of the board, if applying for only a funeral director license; **OR**

For reciprocal license issued from and after 2002, sufficient evidence must be presented to the Board showing that the applicant for a funeral service license has achieved a score of seventy-five percent (75%) or better on the National Board Funeral Service Arts Examination and a score of seventy-five percent (75%) or better on the National Board Funeral Service Examination administered by the National Conference of Funeral Service Examining Boards; **OR**

For reciprocal license issued prior to 2002, the applicant for reciprocal funeral service licensure must show evidence satisfactory to the Board that the applicant has successfully passed the National Board Examination as administered by the National Conference of Funeral Service Examining Boards. The examination must have included two (2) sections, funeral service arts and funeral service sciences, and the applicant must have received a cumulative average score of at least 75 percent on the sections with not less than 70 percent on either of these two sections. The applicant must also provide documentation satisfactory to the Board, including an attestation from his or her employing funeral establishment, showing that the applicant has been engaged in the active practice of funeral service as a licensed embalmer and licensed funeral director continuously for a minimum of five (5) years immediately before the date of the Board's receipt of the reciprocal application.