



MARYLAND Department of Health

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Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors
4201 Patterson Avenue, 5th Floor
Baltimore, Maryland 21215

July 30, 2019

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Licensees, Permit Holders and Crematory Operators

SUBJECT: **SCAM ALERT INVOLVING SUSPENSION OF LICENSE**

On July, 26, 2019, a licensee of the Maryland Department of Health received a letter notifying them that their licensee was being suspended. According to the letterhead, it was from the "Maryland State Medical Board" advising that their license was being suspended for violations of the Aviation Drug Trafficking Control Act of 1984. In the letter, the licensee was directed to contact the "DEA Officer In-Charge" and given a telephone contact for the DEA officer.

Please be advised—THIS LETTER IS A SCAM. The only authority to suspend a licensee, permit holder or crematory operator in the state of Maryland is the Maryland Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors. Prior to any suspension occurring, the Board will notify the licensee, permit holder or crematory operator in writing and a full investigation will occur to include a "Complaint Resolution Conference," which is a face-to-face conference with members of the Board and the Attorney General's office at the Board office located above. If you receive any notice from the Board, please contact the Board office.

Any official letter sent from the Board, can also be verified by faxing, emailing or sending the letter to the Board office on the address listed above. If you should have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the Board office if additional information is necessary at (410) 764-4792.

Sincerely,

Dr. Mark E. Bailey, President
Maryland State Board of Morticians and
Funeral Directors

cc: Carla Boyd, Thomas Anderson, Lisa Woods, Board Members