



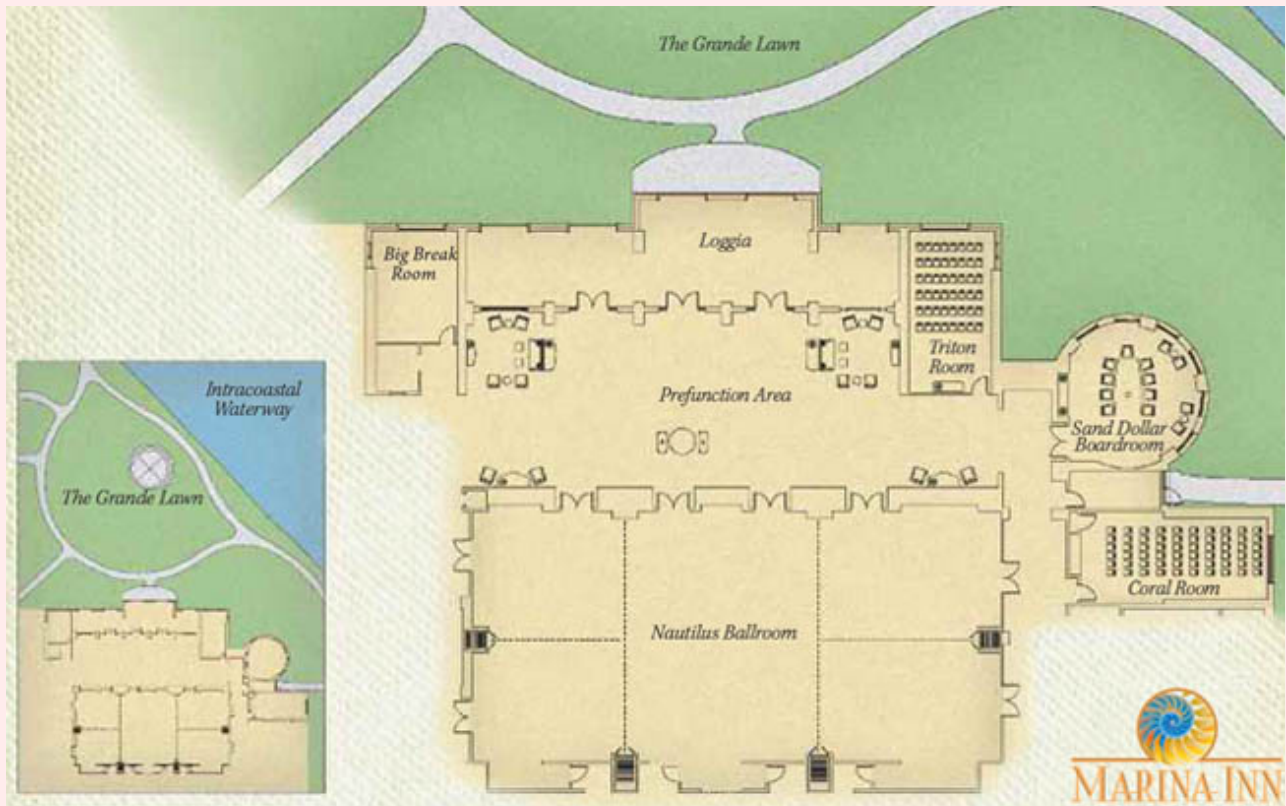
THE 120TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE

FEBRUARY 27-29, 2024
MYRTLE BEACH, SC



guidebook

Event Space



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Getting the App

Download Guidebook to access the 120th Annual Meeting app to check CEU approvals, log CEU, access meeting documents and more general meeting information.

Electronic Meeting Documents

The following documents can be accessed through the meeting app:

- Annual Meeting Agenda
- By-Laws
- Committee Minutes
- District Meeting Agenda
- Meeting Minutes
- Reports

To get the app, scan the QR Code!





Dear Fellow Funeral Service Regulators, Educators, and Licensees:

On behalf of The Conference Board of Directors, I am pleased and honored to welcome you to the 120th Annual Meeting of The International Conference of Funeral Service Examining Boards! Your Conference Board and staff have worked hard to provide the very best in programming that we feel will benefit funeral service regulators, educators, and licensees. I know you will not want to miss any of this outstanding programming, but please leave some time to network with colleagues from around the country. We hope you will explore the wonderful accommodations at the Marina Inn at Grande Dunes as well as experience some of the “Southern Hospitality” Myrtle Beach has to offer!

The staff has been busy this past year, implementing programs that enhance our relationships with the member states and provinces we serve. Not only does The Conference provide guidance to these regulatory groups when requested, but we also supply materials and guides that share a wealth of information. Our newest publication, “Model Disposition Standards,” is available to access at the registration desk. It promotes clarity and uniformity in laws on Right of Disposition, as well as the licensing and regulation of individuals and facilities carrying out the final disposition of human remains.

To enhance the exam experience, we developed and implemented a Candidate Portal, as well as a requested Exam Voucher System for Mortuary Programs. Our Board Members and staff have worked to provide education about the NBE, and are happy to have shared with several groups this year, including mortuary schools, funeral associations, and state associations. We value their input, and appreciate the opportunities for communication.

Last, but not least, my heartfelt thanks to our Board Members, all of the dedicated committee members that volunteer their time to make The Conference what it is today, and especially our wonderful staff in Fayetteville, Arkansas! I feel truly blessed to have met so many of you these past years. I look forward to seeing you and again, my thanks for your support.

Best Regards,

Jon W. Rettig, Sr., President
ICFSEB

THE 120TH ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE

Full meeting details are available in the meeting app.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2024

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM: ICFSEB BOARD OF DIRECTORS BREAKFAST

8:00 AM - 2:00 PM: ICFSEB BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
(CLOSED MEETING)

9:30 AM - 4:30 PM: REGULATORY BOARD SERVICE 101
(PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

2:30 PM - 5:00 PM: FUNERAL SERVICE ADMINISTRATORS FORUM
(CLOSED SESSION)

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM: MEETING REGISTRATION

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM: FOOTNOTES FROM A RETIRED REGULATOR
DINNER PROVIDED (RSVP REQUIRED)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2024

7:00 AM - 9:00 AM: MEETING REGISTRATION

8:00 AM - 8:45 AM: ROOKIE WELCOME BREAKFAST
Open to first-time meeting attendees

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM: ALUMNI ATTENDEE BREAKFAST
For veteran meeting attendees to enjoy at their leisure

9:00 AM - 9:45 AM: 120TH ANNUAL MEETING OPENING SESSION

9:45 AM - 10:45 AM: INNOVATIONS IN LICENSING

10:45 AM - 11:45 AM: FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION UPDATE

11:45 AM - 1:00 PM: LUNCH

1:15 PM - 3:15 PM: DISTRICT MEETINGS

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM: UNIVERSAL LICENSING, PORTABILITY, & OTHER UNICORNS

4:30 PM - 5:00 PM: DISTRICT REPORTS

**5:00 PM - 5:20 PM: EXECUTIVE SESSION
(CLOSED SESSION)**

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM: REGULATION IS BEACHIN' RECEPTION

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2024

7:15 AM - 8:15 AM: ICFSEB PAST PRESIDENTS BREAKFAST

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM: ATTENDEE BREAKFAST
For veteran meeting attendees to enjoy at their leisure

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM: EXAM INTEGRITY - WHY IT MATTERS

**9:30 AM - 10:30 AM: WHAT'S NEXT? A DISCUSSION ABOUT THE
STATE OF FUNERAL LICENSURE**

10:45 AM - 11:45 AM: TOP REGULATORY CASES

**11:45 AM - 12:45 PM: THE CONSENSUAL DONATION & RESEARCH
INTEGRITY ACT AND OTHER LEGISLATION**

1:00PM - 2:15 PM: CELEBRATION OF SERVICE LUNCHEON

2:15 PM - 3:15 PM: CATCHING UP WITH THE CONFERENCE

**3:30 PM - 4:30 PM: PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS & LICENSURE -
EVERYBODY GETS A TROPHY?**

4:15 PM - 4:30 PM: CLOSING REMARKS

Board Nominations

Elections for the below districts will be held on Wednesday, February 28, during the district meetings. Information on the nominees can be found in the meeting app. Nominations can also be made from the floor during the Business Meeting.

District 1 - Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Nova Scotia, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont

No nominations have been received at the time of printing

District 6 - Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin

Martin Rieken - Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing

District 8 - Alaska, Alberta, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Saskatchewan, Washington, and Wyoming

Karen Carruthers - Alberta Funeral Services Regulatory Board

District 9 - Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Nevada, and Utah

Gina Chiaverini Sanchez - California Cemetery and Funeral Bureau

Register for CE

CE Registration will close on Monday, March 4. Please use one of the three ways below to register:

- 1) Select the session in the guidebook app and follow the provided link.
- 2) Visit www.theconferenceonline.org/120ceu and select the session
- 3) Scan the QR Code and select the session:

*See guidebook app
for CE approvals.
Approved hours may
vary by jurisdiction.



Scan here to
register for CE!

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THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING THE 120TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE!



120th Annual Meeting Survey

Please take a few minutes to complete this survey to share your meeting experience this year and make suggestions for future meetings! Thank you for your time and we hope to see you in 2025!

121st Annual Meeting - Palm Springs, California!

Please join us in 2025 in sunny Palm Springs, CA, for the 121st Annual Meeting.

We hope to see you there for continued conversations that support the funeral service regulatory community!

WHEN: Feb. 26-27, 2025

Pre-meetings: Feb. 25, 2025

WHERE: The Margaritaville Resort in Palm Springs, CA.

Room rate: \$225

