

Texas Department of Banking

Press Release

Department of Banking Issues a Cease and Desist Order to San Patricio Memorial Gardens, Inc., Portland, Texas

Date: October 21, 2009

On October 20, 2009, the Texas Department of Banking issued a Cease and Desist Order to San Patricio Memorial Gardens, Inc. (San Patricio), located in Portland, Texas. San Patricio is a corporation currently holding a certificate of authority to operate a perpetual care cemetery in Portland, Texas. Under the Order, San Patricio's management was instructed to cease and desist from selling any new markers or monuments to consumers. The Order was necessary because of San Patricio's continued failure to timely order and set markers and/or monuments purchased and paid for by consumers. San Patricio may elect to appeal the Order by filing a request for a hearing by November 9, 2009, or the Order will become final.

Inquiries regarding your marker or monument purchased from San Patricio should be directed to:

Texas Department of Banking
Special Audits Division
2601 N. Lamar Blvd.
Austin, Texas 78705-4294

Toll-free (877) 276-5554, at the menu prompt select "3" for Inquiries/Complaints, at the next prompt select "6" for Funeral Contracts/Cemeteries or Directly (512) 475-1285.