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## Commissioner Issues Emergency Order to Seize Prepaid Funeral Accounts and Records against Lois Washington, dba Lewis Funeral Home

On January 30, 2024, Texas Banking Commissioner Charles G. Cooper issued an Emergency Order to Seize Prepaid Funeral Accounts and Records (Order) against Lois Washington, doing business as Lewis Funeral Home, in San Antonio, Texas (Respondent).

The Order, which is effective immediately, cites various violations of the Texas Finance Code. The Order requires the records of the Respondent to be turned over to the Department. The Order also requires bank accounts holding money paid to or collected by Respondent on trust-funded, prepaid funeral benefit contracts, to be frozen.

The full text of the Order can be viewed on the Department's website.

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