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# Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

*Columbus*

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint Amanda E. Crates, from Dunkirk, Hancock County, Ohio, as a Member of the Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors for a term beginning July 27, 2020 and ending at the close of business June 30, 2023, replacing Jill R. Pugh, who resigned.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Ohio to be affixed, at Columbus, this 27th day of July in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty.

*Mike DeWine*

Mike DeWine  
Governor

Biography for Amanda Crates

In inventorying my credentials that led me to an interest in the State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors, I will begin at the onset. My family lived above our Arlington funeral home until my 10th birthday. Personally, I was always extremely interested in the funeral business, and following my undergraduate degree I entered the Cincinnati College of Mortuary Science. After graduation from CCMS, I served my apprenticeship at the EC Nurre Funeral Home in Amelia followed by a year served working at the Tobias Funeral Home in Dayton. Prior to joining the family firm in Findlay, I attained my MBA from the University of Findlay. I have been very active in the forward movement of our firm and was instrumental in the purchase of our fifth location in Kenton in the fall of 2013.

Following in my father's footsteps, I have been active in the Ohio Funeral Director's Association over the past decade.

I have a great desire for the forward movement of our profession; I believe my vision and work ethic are two of my most prominent attributes. I also feel I could bring a strong female dynamic to this board. I would conjecture many colleagues, in this profession, would support my efforts to further our profession and help it to stay relevant in today's ever-changing society.

# Amanda E. Crates

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## Objective

To make an impact within my profession by contributing my time and experience to the State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers.

## Qualifications

Management of a multi-million dollar company. Acquisition of our fifth funeral home. Taking a start up company to five times the revenue in three years. I manage all facets of our business, staffing, accounting, facility maintenance, advertising and all major business dealings.

## Work History

2015 to current, Bayliff Gym & Box, co-owner

Manage all staff, programming, facilities and growth.

2013 to current, Schindewolf-Stout-Crates Funeral Home-managing member

Accounting, advertising, staffing, facilities and all major business decisions.

2002 to current, Coldren-Crates Funeral Home-manager

Accounting, advertising, staffing, facilities and all major business decisions

## Education

1994 graduate Hardin-Northern High School

1998 graduate Urbana University, bachelor's of Exercise Science

2003 graduate University of Findlay, MBA

## References

Upon request. I would also offer up any current employee (as my reference), I pride myself in employee relations as this is truly the core of your company.

# Amanda E. Crates

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## Awards Received

Three Arches Leadership Award

WBFF Figure Pro

## Hobbies

Weightlifting, Bodybuilding competitions and of course riding a Harley-Davidson

## Community Involvement

Hancock County Leadership, Hardin County Leadership, Rotary, Soroptomist Club,  
and a multitude of parades

## Computer Skills

QuickBooks, Excel, Word, Publisher and all social media platforms

## Licenses and Certificates

Licensed funeral director and embalmer since 1999

Certified personal trainer

## GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

**Date:** 7/27/2020

**Name of Appointee:** Ms. Amanda E. Crates  
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**Term Begins:** 7/1/2018  
**Term Ends:** 6/30/2023  
**Party Affiliation:** Republican  
**Senate Confirmation:** Appointed by the Governor, confirmed by the Senate  
**Financial Disclosure:** Public disclosure required  
**Vice:** Jill R. Pugh