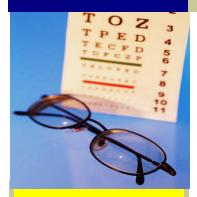
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West Virginia Board of Optometry Visionary



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Meet Board Members Harry Boggs, O.D. and Glenn Bailey, O.D.

Dr. Harry Boggs has served the West Virginia Board of Optometry for nine years. He also served as the Board's Complaint Chairman. He will be missed.

Dr. Boggs lives in Keyser with his wife, Flora. He has been in practice for 53 years. He graduated from the Pennsylvania College of Optometry in 1953.

Dr. Boggs' service in the Navy has given him a great breadth of knowledge to deal with optometric complaints and issues of governance. His work with the optometric community has reduced the number of complaints filed.

Dr. Glenn Bailey has been appointed to the Board to replace Dr. Boggs. Dr. Bailey has served as President of the WVOA. Dr. Bailey graduated from Marshall

University and the Ohio State University College of Optometry (1980). He enjoys spending time with his wife, Vanessa, and their children Ryan, Erin and Stephanie. Dr. Bailey's practice is located in Barboursville. His practice has emphases of primary eye care, eye disease and contact lenses. Dr. Bailey is active in the American Optometric Association, SOCO and ended his service as the President of the West Virginia Optometric Association in November.

Dr. Bailey wants be a member of the Board to serve the optometric profession and the citizens of West Virginia. Some of the issues he hopes to pursue are:

 the shrinking number of new licensees in West Virginia,



- to continue to improve communication among the West Virginia Board of Optometry, our state's citizens and practicing optometrists in West Virginia,
- to continue to explore reciprocity and endorsement issues among states.
- to work toward one level of licensure in West Virginia.

The Board congratulates its new licensees, Drs. Alvin Ginier, Elizabeth Koski, Lonnie Lucas, William Park, Janna Scofield and Cynthia Poling.





Secretary - Treasurer From Morgantown Richard Goellner, O.D.

Dr. Goellner has served on the West Virginia Board of Optometry for almost seven years. Dr. Goellner has assisted the Board in compiling and updating its oral exam. Dr. Goellner also initiated a study of the shrinking numbers of optometrists who serve our citizens.

Dr. Goellner lives in Morgantown with his wife, Cynthia, and his son, Jack, who is 10. He practices with James Pasinski, O.D. in Morgantown. Dr. Goellner is the former Clinical Director for the West Virginia Special Olympics Opening Eyes Vision Program. He is also an Adjunct Faculty mem-

member for the West Virginia University Eye Institute. Dr. Goellner's goal of service on the Board is to ensure that the profession of optometry serves the public in a professional, competent and ethical manner. He graduated from the Ohio State University College of Optometry (1984).



Dr. Hvre has served on the Board for thirteen years. He has served as the Board President for ten years.

E. Clifton Hyre, O.D., President; From Elkins, West Virginia

Dr. Edward Clifton Hyre has served on the West Virginia Board of Optometry for thirteen years. He has served the Board as President for ten years.

Dr. Hyre initiated the modernization of the Board's legislative and administrative rules. The process became complete in 2002. Dr. Hyre has also worked with the Legislature to improve the quality and scope of optometric care in West Virginia.

Dr. Hyre lives in Elkins with his wife, Carole. They have a daughter, Christina L. Nestor, who has two masters degrees and is work-

ing on her Ph.D. in Morgantown. Dr. Hyre practices with his son, Craig, in Elkins and Beverly.

Their corporation is Family Eye Care. Family Eye Care offers a wide range of services including emergency services. Their practice has a web site. www.drhyre.com. The site ser-

vices include scheduling of appointments and an informative set of articles on eye care issues entitled, "Eye Care For You."

Dr. Hyre has served as President of the West Virginia Optometric Association and is active in his community serving as Director

Emeritus of the Mountain State Forest Festival.

Dr. Hyre was licensed in 1964 and has achieved the state's highest level of licensure, oral prescriptive authority. He graduated from the Ohio State University School of Optometry in 1963.

Dr. Hyre is working on preserving the professional independence of optometrists. He has personally overseen negotiations with mercantile establishments to ensure that optometrists may use their best professional judgment in treating their patients.

C. David Laughlin, O.D. Board Member From Fairmont, West Virginia

Dr. Laughlin comes to the Board from Fairmont, West Virginia. His wife, Nancy, is a Speech Therapist. His children are Gevony, Dentist in Asheville, North Carolina: Mannon, Marketing, New York, New York; and Conn, Senior at Fairmont High School. Laughlin has practiced optometry in Fairmont for thirty years. He has practiced with his good friend and partner, J. Keith Wade, O.D., for 22 of those years.

Dr. Laughlin graduated from the Southern College of Optometry In 1976. Dr. Laughlin has been very active in his community. He has served as President of the United Way of Marion County, Board Chair of the Salvation Army, Council Chair of the Boy Scout Friendship Dinner, Member of the Board of Directors, First National Bank of Fairmont/Wesbanco. He has also been active in the American Optometric Association, the West Virginia Optometric Association, SOCO, Rotary and Elks.

Dr. Laughlin states, "I feel our continued success as a profession will be measured by our ability to expand our mode of practice and yet maintain a high ethical standard as the primary eye care provider nationally." [I want] "to continue to expand our horizons as a profession with the same zeal as our colleagues did thirty years ago." West Virginia is celebrating its 30th anniversary of therapeutic prescriptive authority as part of the optometric scope of practice.





Board Member From South Charleston Gregory Moore, O.D.

Laser Eye Center. The Center has 2 surgeons, and provides 70% of refractive surgeries performed in West Virginia. He has a daughter, Sydney Anne Moore.

Dr. Moore specializes in optometric sports medicine. He was the team eye doctor for the Chicago Cubs from 1989-1992. Moore also serves as Sports Vi-

Dr. Moore is co-founder of WV sion Consultant for the Sports Medicine Division of the Charleston Area Medical Center and Chief Technology Officer of MSS Performance which makes sport training devices. Dr. Moore graduated from the Southern College of Optometry in 1987.

> "It will be my goal to make sure the Board does its part to maintain the respect and honor West

Virginia optometrists garnered 30 years ago as the first state in the country to allow therapeutic privileges I believe if we all work together we can expand our privileges and have laws that reflect a scope of practice automatically advancing in harmony with advances in the eye health care sciences. Only then will all of our citizens have timely access to the best eye care available."

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Consumer Members Sharon Rubin and Lori Gemondo

Ms. Sharon Rubin lives in Charleston with her family. She is a registered pharmacist. She works with the Charleston Health Right Clinic.

Ms. Rubin was appointed by Governor Wise in 2002. She has served on the Board for four years. She was instrumental in finding the Board's Charleston Office in the historic Union Building. Ms. Rubin's expertise in pharmacology has been very valuable to the Board.

Ms. Lori Gemondo lives in Bridgeport and is married with two children. She works at Family Optical, Clarksburg Opticians, and Family Vision Center. She has thirty years of experience as a dispensing lab optician and office manager.

Ms. Gemondo graduated from West Virginia University in 1976. Ms. Gemondo's activities and honors include:

- West Virginia University Alumni Association
- Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club President for 30 years
- Pi Beta Phi national office (Province Coordinator)
- North Central WV Pan-Hellenic President

- National Franchise Advisory Committee
- Who's Who Among Outstanding Americans
- Clarksburg Chamber of Commerce—Health Committee
- Golden and Silver Spectacle Awards Winner
- United Hospital Center (Health Connection) Wellness Board
- United Hospital Center Holly Ball Chairman 1988, 1989, 2004

- American Cancer and Heart Association
- Elk Member.



Douglas Conrath, O.D.

Harry Boggs, O.D., Douglas Conrath, O.D. and Jack Terry, O.D., Ph.D. Say Farewell



Jack Terry, O.D., Ph. D.

Dr. Conrath has served the Board for sixteen years. He leaves the Board as its Secretary-Treasurer of many years.

Dr. Conrath facilitated the Board's exams for years. His professional and friendly manner helped candidates to perform their best. He took his role as supervisor of investigations seriously. He called the office often to provide guidance.

Dr. Conrath lives in Mineral Wells with his wife, Debbie. He practices with Lauer Vision in Parkersburg. Dr. Conrath graduated from the Southern College of Optometry in 1966. Dr. Conrath's special interests include geriatric vision, computer vision, nutrition in vision and contact lenses. He is a former Jaycee and is involved with Masonic Lodge, Nemesis Shrine and Ben Bey Grotto.

Dr. Terry served on the Board for six years. He served as President of the Board from 2002 - 2005. He launched the Board's advanced and user friendly web site.

Dr. Terry graduated from the Ohio State School of Optometry in 1975. Dr. Terry now lives in Charlotte, North Carolina with his wife, Sue. He serves as Executive Director of the National Board of Examiners in Optometry.

Corporate Renewals and CE Audits in August 2007

Those who have registered optometric corporations will receive renewal notices in late August 2007. The biennial renewal fee is \$50.00.

- ♦ §14-5 lists the Board's fees.
- The corporation rules are listed in
- §30-8-3
- ♦ §30-8-9 and

§30-8-10. The Board's rules are posted on the web site, www.wvbo.org, under "Laws and Regulations Governing Optometry."

The Board will be conducting its random CE audit for the period from 8/1/2004 –07/31/06 in August. A printout of the personal OE Tracker record will be provided to each licensee selected. The OE Tracker record will be considered

to be proof of attendance. Certificates will be required for classes not contained in the OE Tracker printout.

The OE Tracker database is a computerized repository for CE records.

Future issues of the newsletter will be posted on our web site, www.wvbo.org. Please update your email address.



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You MUST keep this office informed of any address or name changes. Faxed or e-mailed copies are not accepted since we must have your original signature authenticating the change you are wanting us to make to your official records.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS and/or CHANGE OF NAME FORM

NAME OF LICENSEE:	DATE OF CHANGE:
	SSN:
NAME CHANGED TO:	
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(The preferred mailing address is your address of	record and is public information. Telephone numbers are not public information.)
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