

ALABAMA BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PSYCHOLOGY

Annual Newsletter June, 2013

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BOARD MEMBERS LEAVE THE BOARD

Clara Gerhardt, Ph.D. left the Board after serving two five-year terms and Mrs. Chacolby Burns-Johnson resigned from the Board after serving four years. Their dedication to the responsibilities of the Board and carrying out its mandate on behalf of the consumer and citizens at large will be missed. The Board would like to extend their many thanks for all of their hard work. We would like to wish both of them all the best in their future endeavors.

NEW BOARD MEMBERS APPOINTED TO THE BOARD

La'Shonda A. Moore Kille, DPM was appointed by Governor Bentley to serve a two and a half year term and Martin L. Rohling, Ph.D. was appointed by Governor Bentley to serve a five-year term.

CHAIR'S ADDRESS by Pamela R. Snider, Ph.D.

The past year has been both busy and challenging for the members of the Alabama Board of Examiners in Psychology. The Board members and administrative staff have given freely of their time above the usual tasks required of them to address pertinent issues regarding the practice of psychology in this State. It is truly an honor to serve with such dedicated and professional colleagues. The Board has worked closely with the Alabama Psychological Association as they authored and successfully passed a new licensure Bill this past legislative session. The Alabama Psychological Association is to be commended for their hard work and dedication as they navigated this licensure update. The Bill was approved by the Governor in May and the updates to the Law become effective January 1, 2014.

There are many significant changes in the Law and I encourage each licensee to become aware of these and how they will impact your practice. A copy of the Bill (Act 2013-386) is available on our website. Some of the highlights of the new Law include licensure mobility, temporary and emergency practice, inactive status, and criminal and civil background checks for applicants. The updates to the Law should strengthen the Board's ability to continue in our primary task of protecting the public.

The next six months will be a busy time for the Board and its staff as we work to revise the Administrative Code. For each change in the statue, a corresponding change is required in the Administrative Code. Language changes in the Law require language changes in the Code. The Board and its staff will be working on this labor intensive challenge in the months to come. When changes in the Administrative Code are ready for publication, notice will be posted on our website and licensees will be notified via email. The public then has the opportunity to respond to the Board's intent. New computer systems have been purchased by the Board to streamline and expedite the updates, changes and growth that faces us. We hope to launch a new website soon after the effective date of the Law.

In addition to the changes within our State, the Board is tracking and participating in national workshops to keep informed. We were able to send a representative to the ASPPB meeting in the spring where issues in the future of psychology were addressed. Several key issues were addressed at the last meeting including 1) clarifying rules and regulations regarding interstate telepsychology, 2) moving toward a more competency based assessment for new licensure as well as incorporating more competency based continuing education, and 3) anticipating the increased licensure of Applied Behavioral Analysts at the Master's and Bachelor's degree level.

Despite the multiple tasks facing the Board's staff, there should be no change in responses to your calls and emails. You will soon be receiving your licensure renewal notice and updated continuing education transcript for 2014. The staff is well organized and efficient, and a blessing to the Board and the licensees in this state.

As we head into a new era in the practice of psychology in our State, I am confident that we are well prepared. Our administrative staff, Lori Rall and Joya Burge, along with the current Board members Tomas Boll, Ph.D., Mary Bowers, Ph.D., Joseph Taylor, M.S., Martin Rohling, Ph.D., La'Shonda Moore Kille, DPM, and Joseph Ackerson, Ph.D. continue to serve with commitment and integrity. It is a privilege to serve with such a dedicated group.

Sincerely, Pamela R. Snider, Ph.D. Chair

NEW LICENSES ISSUED July 2012 to present

Psychologists

Rebeca S. Bright, Psy.D., #1757, Cape Coral, FL Andrea Anderson, Psv.D., #1758, Louisville, KY Starla L. Dallesasse, Ph.D., #1759, Auburn, AL Candace M. Drake, Psy.D., #1760, Pensacola, FL Erica C. Force, Ph.D., #1761, Lone Jack, MO Merida M. Grant, Ph.D., #1762, Nashville, TN Andrea N. Hendricks, Ph.D., #1763, Birmingham, AL Elizabeth A. Mason, Ph.D., #1764, Auburn, AL Martin P. Morthland, Ph.D., #1765, Brunswick, ME David S. Tubman, Psy.D., #1766, Vacaville, CA Rocio I. Villarreal, Ph.D., #1767, San Antonio, TX Zofia A. Wilamowska, Ph.D., #1768, Tuskegee, AL Erica S. Barnes, Psy.D., #1769, Atlanta, GA Nicholas J. Katko, Ph.D., #1770, San Antonio, TX Tatiana M. Rohlfs, Psy.D., #1771, Las Vegas, NV Dawn N. Stephens, Ph.D., #1772, San Antonio, TX Elaine M. Bailey, Ph.D., #1774, Pensacola, FL Wendi Lin Lopez, Psy.D., #1775, Cincinnati, OH Lauren E. Baillie, Ph.D., #1776, Brandon, MS Michelle L. Benjamin, Ph.D., #1777, Birmingham, AL Michael D. Farjellah, Ph.D., #1778, San Antonio, TX Ross Danner Grimes, Ph.D., #1779, Birmingham, AL Nichole T. Heidelbach, Psy.D., #1780, Huntsville, AL Sarah Marie Ryan, Ph.D., #1781, Tuscaloosa, AL Lauren C. Spooner, Ph.D., #1782, Donalsonville, GA Diane G. Compton, Ph.D., #1783, Long Beach, MS Heejin Kim, Psy.D., #1784, San Antonio, TX Renee Thomas, Psy.D., #1785, Birmingham, AL Cassandra M. Norcross, Psy.D., #1786, Huntington, WV Sarah V. Rowe, Ph.D., #1787, Smyrna, TN Matthew Schumacher, Ph.D., #1788, Sleepy Hollow, IL Roy P. White, Ph.D., #1789, Boaz, AL Scott W. Woods, Psy.D., #1790, Amarillo, TX William Finger, Ph.D., #1791, Boca Raton, FL William J. Bryson, Ph.D., #1792, Huntsville, AL Evan S. DuBois, Psy.D., #1793, Alexandria, LA Daniel A. Jacobson, Ph.D., #1794, Harrison TWP, MI Emily J. Lawrence, Ph.D., #1795, Murphys, CA James A. Resch, Ph.D., #1796, Papillion, NE Avani A. Shah, Ph.D., #1797, Tuscaloosa, AL Ann G. Hutcheson, Psy.D., #1798, Eagle River, AK Michelle E. Mastin, Ph.D., #1799, Mountain Brook, AL Deborah L. Kerr, Ph.D., #1800, Mountain Brook, AL Jacqueline A. Bush, Ph.D., #1801, Wetumpka, AL Angela L. Gilbert, Psy.D., #1802, Eglin AFB, FL Daniel Joseph Sullivan, Psy.D., #1803, Nashville, TN

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Psychological Technician

Lilah J. Kulakowski, M.S., #1773, Mobile, AL

NON RENEWALS Fiscal Year 2013

Psychologists

Kathryn A. Bottonari, Ph.D., #1552, Charleston, SC Dennis E. Breiter, Ph.D., #147, Ft. Worth, TX Lelia A. Brown, Ph.D., #482, Dadeville, AL Ruth Bueschsel Strackany, Psy.D., #1681, Austin, TX Carl B. Clements, Ph.D., #142, Northport, AL Teri L. Elliott, Ph.D., #1443, Madison, AL Roger E. Enfield, Ph.D., #1302, Gilbert, AZ Ellen E. Eno, Ph.D., #204, Mobile, AL Amee J. Epler, Ph.D., #1638, Ridgeland, MS Galen M. Grant, Psy.D., #881, Columbia, SC Elizabeth M. Griffith, Ph.D., #1263, Denver, CO Kathy H. Hedrick, Ph.D., #1393, Advance, NC Laura M. Klinger, Ph.D., #828, Chapel Hill, NC Ryan G. McDonald, Psy.D., #1501, Seattle, WA Cindy B. McGeary, Ph.D., #1337, San Antonio, TX Stephanie M. McMahon, Ph.D., #1632, Reston, VA John C. Noah, Psy.D., #1621, Montgomery, AL Cynthia E. Parker, Psy.D., #1469, Apple Valley, MN Pamela J. Pierce, Psy.D., #1241, Springfield, MO Victor E. Stevenson, Ph.D., #995, Macon, GA Robert J. Wendorf, Psy.D., #258, Vestavia Hills, AL Leah N. Wingeart, Psy.D., #1680, Honolulu, HI

Psychological Technician

Bethany M Cockrum, M.S., #1515, Cottondale, AL

DECEASED

Sandra E. Cline, Ph.D., #431, Ozark, AL Monique T. McCoy, Ph.D., #1300, Grovetown, GA R. Douglas Peters, Ph.D., #150, Jacksonville, AL Albert Bartow Ray, Jr., Ph.D., #1294, Gadsden, AL Verna L. Wool, Ph.D., #10, Montgomery, AL

CURRENT NUMBER OF LICENSEES

Psychologists: 1037

Psychological Technicians: 32

COMPLAINTS

The Board received three (3) complaints against licensed psychologists during F.Y. 2012; all resulted in no probable cause for disciplinary action. The Board has received eleven (11) complaints thus far in F.Y. 2013; five (5) of which have resulted in no probable cause for disciplinary action, while six (6) are ongoing.

DISCIPLINES

Name: Melissa Faye Jackson, Ph.D., #1322

Disciplinary Action(s): Suspension Date of Discipline: January 11, 2013

Reason(s) for Discipline: Failure to comply with the continuing education requirements (Rule 750-X-3A-.08) and failure to pay the renewal/continuing education fees.

Name: Steven Michael Schmidt, Ph.D., #1388 **Disciplinary Action(s):** License Revoked **Date of Discipline:** January 11, 2013

Reason(s) for Discipline: Failure to comply with the continuing education requirements (Rule 750-X-3A-.08) and failure to pay the renewal/continuing education fees

Name: Kelly Schuck, Ph.D., #1572 Disciplinary Action(s): License Revoked **Date of Discipline:** January 11, 2013

Reason(s) for Discipline: Failure to comply with the continuing education requirements (Rule 750-X-3A-.08) and failure to pay the renewal/continuing

education fees

Name: Nicole Joy Siegfried, Ph.D., #1091 **Disciplinary Action(s):** Consent Order - Probation (one year), Supervised Practice, Fees Assessed, and

Continuing Education Requirements Date of Discipline: November 9, 2012

Reason(s) for Discipline: Failure to document professional work and maintain records, multiple relationship, harm and exploitative relationship in violation of Alabama Code 34-26-46(a)(17) (1975) and Rule 750-X-6-.02 (American Psychological Association, Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct), specifically Ethical Principle 6.01 (Documentation of Professional and Scientific Work and Maintenance of Records), 6.02 (a) and (c) (Maintenance, Dissemination and Disposal of Confidential records of Professional and Scientific Work), 3.05 (a)(1) and (b) (Multiple Relationships), 3.04 (Avoiding Harm) and 3.08 (Exploitative Relationships).

RULES & REGULATIONS CHANGES

Filed Certification: May 15, 2013 Effective Date: June 19, 2013

750-X-2-.02 Application Deadlines - This amendment was needed to delete the requirement of a completed computer-based-testing application (no longer in use) for the EPPP.

750-X-2-.03 Application Form - This amendment was needed to delete the requirement for a cashier's check or money order to accompany the computer-based-testing application (no longer in use) for the EPPP.

750-X-3-.01 Written Examination - This amendment was needed to include payment by candidates of the entire actual costs of the examination fee.

750-X-3-.03 Reexamination - This amendment was needed to delete the requirement of a completed computer-based-testing application (no longer in use) for the EPPP.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

The office staff requests that you please report your continuing education hours as you complete them during the year. The individual reporting form and continuing education rules and regulations can be accessed on the Board's web site: psychology.alabama.gov

Note:

The C.E. requirement for psychologists is 20 hours per year.

The C.E. requirement for psychological technicians is 10 hours per year.

PLEASE NOTE: The address you provide on the annual renewal notice is the address of record listed with the Board of Psychology. This is the address that is given to the public upon request and where license renewal forms are sent. If you wish to change your address of record, please either mail notification to the Board's office or send an e-mail to: albdpsychology@psychology.alabama.gov.

FEE SCHEDULE

Application Fee:	
Psychologists	\$200.00
Psychological Technicians	\$130.00
Examination Fee:	
(State) PSE	\$ 50.00
License Renewal:	
Psychologists	\$100.00
Psychological Technicians	\$ 65.00
Continuing Education Fee	\$ 50.00
Roster of Licensed Psychologists	\$ 12.00
Roster of Licensed Psychological	
Technicians	\$ 10.00
Replacement Certificate	\$ 15.00
Replacement Renewal Card	\$ 5.00
Copy of Rules & Regulations	\$10.00

BOARD MEETING DATES

July 12, 2013 September 13, 2013 November 8, 2013 January 10, 2014 March 14, 2014 May 9, 2014 July 11, 2014 September 12, 2014 November 14, 2014 November 8, 2013