

# **American Board of Forensic Odontology**

## **Diplomates Reference Manual**

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# **American Board of Forensic Odontology, Inc.**

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## **DIPLOMATES REFERENCE MANUAL**

### **SECTION I**

#### **Preface, Acknowledgments, Background, Functions and Purposes**

##### **PREFACE**

In 1988, a project to compile all relevant material relating to the past and present activities and business of the American Board of Forensic Odontology was initiated. After four years the resultant *Diplomates Reference Manual* was completed and provided to all diplomates in a printed form. During the years following this initial publication additional information has been added and the Manual updated yearly to reflect the changes and new business of the ABFO. Because of current technology the updating and dissemination of the *Diplomates Reference Manual* is now done via the ABFO website.

This manual is being provided to all diplomates of the American Board of Forensic Odontology and other interested parties at the ABFO website at [www.abfo.org](http://www.abfo.org). It is recommended that ABFO diplomates become familiar with all of the sections of this publication as much of the information contained herein is important for not only our forensic case work but for the growth and development of our science and the continued effectiveness of the ABFO.

##### **Section I:**

Preface, Acknowledgments, Background, and Functions & Purposes of the ABFO.

##### **Section II:**

Contains the Bylaws, Code of Ethics, Articles of Incorporation and historical list of the past officers of the ABFO.

##### **Section III:**

Contains the Policies, Procedures, Guidelines and Standards that have been established over the years. Some of this information has to do with the procedures that you must follow to maintain your diplomate status and policies that must be adhered to if you are conducting ABFO business.

The Guidelines in this document represent work by many individuals and have been accepted by the Diplomates of the ABFO.

These are copyrighted materials and can be used freely by the diplomates of the ABFO but permission to publish these guidelines in other publications should be obtained by request to the Executive Committee and/or the Board of Directors of the ABFO. Diplomates should review these Guidelines and Standards frequently and strive to follow them as much as possible and encourage others to do the same. With continuing research and technological advancements, it will be necessary to modify and/ or add to these existing Guidelines.

## **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

The American Board of Forensic Odontology acknowledges those individuals that have contributed to the information that is contained in this manual. It is difficult to list names without the risk of leaving someone out; therefore, it seems appropriate to acknowledge the contribution of all Diplomates, for it is the input of all Diplomates active and deceased that has provided the information that is contained in this Manual. More importantly, it is appropriate to acknowledge the families and friends of the Diplomates for these are the people that also sacrifice their time with us and encourage us to continue the advancement of our profession. It is our dedication as well as theirs that allows the improvement of our science.

## **BACKGROUND, FUNCTIONS & PURPOSES**

The need to identify forensic scientists qualified to provide essential professional services for the judicial and executive branches of government has long been recognized. In response to this professional mandate, the American Board of Forensic Odontology was organized in 1976 to provide, in the interest of the public and the advancement of the science, a program of certification in forensic odontology.

In purpose, function, and organization, the AMERICAN BOARD OF FORENSIC ODONTOLOGY, Inc., herein after referred to as ABFO, is thus analogous to the certifying Boards in various medical specialties and various medical specialties and scientific fields. The objective of the Board is to establish, enhance, and revise as necessary, standards of qualification for those who practice forensic odontology, and to certify as qualified specialists those applicants who comply with the requirements of the Board.

Certification is based upon the candidate's personal and professional record of education, training, experience and achievement, as well as the results of a formal examination. The ABFO is an incorporated non-profit organization. The ABFO is recognized by the American Academy of Forensic Sciences and is accredited by the Forensic Specialties Accreditation Board (FSAB) [www.thefsab.org](http://www.thefsab.org) . The current [Certificate of Accreditation](#) from the FSAB is within this document.

## **A BRIEF HISTORY**

The American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS) was founded in 1948 and served as the parent organization of the American Board of Forensic Odontology (ABFO). The early composition of the Academy consisted of the Jurisprudence, Pathology & Biology, Psychiatry, Questioned Documents, and Toxicology sections. Before 1970, the few dentist members of the AAFS were first assigned to the Pathology & Biology section and later to the General section. The Odontology section was added in 1970 at the recommendation of Academy officers and the required numbers of dentists were recruited from the General section.

In 1962, the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (AFIP) began to include forensic odontology in its list of course offerings with dental lectures and laboratory sessions presented by several oral pathologists and one of ABFO's charter members, Dr. David Scott. Background presentations on forensic pathology, toxicology, and the law were also given by various experts in those disciplines, as well. The course content and emphasis began to change when identification procedures at disaster sites were evaluated by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). There was a pressing need to establish an accepted protocol for these situations and to teach these protocols to interested and involved individuals. Many dentists who participated in this early effort with the AFIP were charter members of the ABFO.

Colonel Robert Boyers, Chief of Oral Pathology at the AFIP, was very influential in the creation of the American Society of Forensic Odontology (ASFO) in 1970. He was concerned that many individuals interested in this field but not actively engaged in the practice of forensic dentistry through a formal affiliation with some forensic agency, could not become members of the Odontology section of the Academy. The ASFO was founded to allow anyone interested in forensic odontology to meet and further their knowledge in this area. Today, it is an important organization serving forensic odontology through its educational programs and publications available to all.

In the mid-seventies, the potential role of dental evidence in personal identification and Criminalistics was being recognized by police agencies and the courts. The National Institute of Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, United States Department of Justice gave grants to the Forensic Sciences Foundation, Inc., in 1973, to establish certifying boards in various forensic disciplines, including forensic odontology. These boards were to be established in order to identify and certify experts in their respective fields. As a result, in 1976, with the initial sponsorship of AAFS and the encouragement and assistance of the National Association of Medical Examiners (NAME), the American Board of Forensic Odontology (ABFO) was formed.

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The charter members of the ABFO were Doctors Edward Woolridge, Richard Souviron, Curtis Mertz, Arthur Goldman, Gerald Vale, Stanley Schwartz, Lowell Levine, Robert Dorion, Paul Stimson, David Scott, Manuel Maslansky, and George Ward. These charter members made the decision not to be “grandfathered” into the organization. Instead, they took the time and effort to meet the required personal criteria on education, experience, and forensic cases and take the certifying examination that had been established. Thus, these charter members became the first diplomates of the ABFO.

The charter members were very active in establishing important professional and public relations through their leadership in many dental fields: private practice, organized dentistry, dental education and research, specialty practice, military dentistry, and so on. Their contributions were invaluable in helping to build a sound foundation for organized forensic odontology.

Dr. Curtis Mertz served as the ABFO’s first president from 1976 until 1978 and was very influential in establishing the direction of the Board would take during the early years.

While the primary function of the ABFO as a certification (and re-certification) body remains paramount, the Board has long recognized an ongoing need for continuing education and research, promotion of public and professional relations, and enhancement of its commitment to the law and to the public. To this end, the first major effort to develop guidelines for scientific analysis of bite mark evidence was undertaken in a 1984 workshop.

Over the ensuing years, it became clear that other aspects of forensic odontology should be addressed, given the broad scope of the discipline. In the early 1990’s, the Board became more active in establishing guidelines and setting standards for these various areas. The Board was restructured to include (in addition to the administrative committees) five standing committees for Standards, Methods and Procedures: a) Civil Litigation, b) Bite mark and Pattern Injury, c) Human Abuse and Neglect, d) Mass Disaster, and e) Missing and Unidentified Persons.

In general, the duties of these committees were to “...encourage the study of, improve the practice of, enhance the standards for and advance the specialty areas of forensic odontology”, (Article V, Section 3, ABFO Bylaws and Code of Ethics). Specifically, these committees were directed to establish guidelines and set standards for their respective areas and to educate the membership and the forensic community at large, on the specifics of these guidelines and standards. With these objectives in mind, additional workshops in bite marks, body identification, human abuse and neglect, and developing a disaster dental identification team have all taken place since that time. Further, the ABFO and the Council of Dental Practice of the American Dental Association sponsored the first and second National Symposia on Dentistry’s Role and Responsibility in Mass Disasters, held in Chicago in 1986 and 1996.

The governing body of the ABFO consists of the officers and directors who collectively comprise the Board of Directors. Officers and directors are elected by the general membership at

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the annual meeting. Annual meetings and workshops are typically held in conjunction with the AAFS and ASFO meetings which occur during February at a site designated by the AAFS.

## **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

(A Nevada Nonprofit Corporation)  
NRS Chapter 82 Et. Seq.

The undersigned, acting as incorporator of a Corporation under NRS Chapter 82 of the Nevada Revised Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for such Corporation:

**FIRST:** The name of the Corporation is: American Board of Forensic Odontology, Inc.; hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation".

**SECOND:** The period of its duration is perpetual.

**THIRD:** The Corporation's initial registered agent shall be Robert C. Anderson. The registered office of the corporation in the State of Nevada is 245 East Liberty Street, Third Floor, Reno, Nevada 89501.

**FOURTH:** The Corporation is a nonprofit Corporation.

**FIFTH:** This Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes, and its object and purposes in the public interest shall be: To encourage the study of, improve the practice of, establish and enhance standards for, and advance the science of forensic odontology. To encourage and promote adherence to high standards of ethics, conduct, and professional practice by forensic odontologists. To grant and issue certificates, or other recognition, in cognizance of special qualifications in forensic odontology to voluntary applicants who conform to the standards established by the Board, and who, in accordance with the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of the Board, have established their fitness and competence therefore. To establish, maintain, alter, amend, and repeal rules and regulations, standards, qualifications, and requirements for the granting, issuing and renewal of certification or other recognition. To exercise and enjoy all powers, rights, and privileges granted to, or conferred upon, corporations of similar character by the laws of the State of Nevada now or hereafter in force. To do any or all of the things herein set forth as principal, agent or otherwise, alone or in company with others. The objects and purposes specified herein shall be regarded as independent objects and purposes and, except where otherwise expressed, shall in no way be limited or restricted by reference to, or inference from, the terms of any other provision of this Articles of Incorporation. The foregoing shall be construed both as objects and powers and the enumeration thereof shall not be held to limit or restrict in any manner the general powers conferred on the corporation by the laws of the State of Nevada.

**SIXTH:** The Corporation is not organized for pecuniary profit and shall not have authority to issue capital stock. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its trustees, directors, officers, delegates, members or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in ARTICLE FIFTH, hereof. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation

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exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

**SEVENTH:** The members of the governing Board of the corporation shall be styled "Directors", and the first Board of Directors of the corporation shall consist of at least seven (7) and not more than fifteen (15) persons and shall be vested with the management and control of the property, business and affairs of the corporation. The initial Board of Directors, who shall number fourteen (14), shall serve until the end of the corporation's fiscal year next following the first annual meeting of the Directors or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. Thereafter, the members of the Board of Directors shall be elected by the Diplomates, in accordance with the Bylaws, from lists of nominees supplied by one or more nominating organizations, or from among other eligible persons. The Board of Directors shall have the power to adopt, alter, amend, and repeal such bylaws of the corporation as will not conflict with this Articles of Incorporation, for the regulation and management of the affairs of the Corporation. The Corporation may in its Bylaws confer other powers upon the Directors, in addition to the powers and authorities expressly conferred upon them by law and these Articles of Incorporation.

**EIGHTH:** The initial Board of Directors shall number fourteen (14) and shall consist of the following persons listed by name, and address, who are to serve until the end of the corporation's fiscal year next following the first annual meeting of the Directors, or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified:

NAME ADDRESS:

1. Dr. David C. Averill 239 Pearl Street  
Burlington, VT 05401
2. Dr. James B. McGivney 66 Grasso Plaza  
St. Louis, MO 63123
3. Dr. Robert E. Barsley 1100 Florida Avenue, Box 140  
New Orleans, LA 70119
4. Dr. Harry H. Mincer UT Center for Health Sciences  
800 Madison Avenue  
Memphis, TN 38163
5. Dr. Mark L. Bernstein U of L, School of Dentistry  
Louisville, KY 40292
6. Dr. Ann L. Norrlander 825 Nicollet Mall, Suite 1553  
Minneapolis, MN 55402
7. Dr. Gregory S. Golden 77 East 7th Street, Suite B  
Upland, CA 91786
8. Dr. Phillip E. O'Shaughnessy 4626 West Jefferson Boulevard  
Fort Wayne, IN 46804
9. Dr. Peter F. Hampl 1901 South Cedar, Suite 106  
Tacoma, WA 98405
10. Dr. Neal Riesner 50 Popham Road  
Scarsdale, NY 10583

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11. Dr. George M. Isaac 615 E. Schuster, Bldg. 9B  
El Paso, TX 79902
12. Dr. Gerald L. Vale 1200 N. State Street, OPD 1P55  
Los Angeles, CA 90033
13. Dr. John P. Kenney 101 South Washington Street  
Park Ridge, IL 60068
14. Dr. Allan J. Warnick 31632 Schoolcraft Road  
Livonia, MI 48150

**NINTH:** The Corporation shall have members distinct from the Board of Directors, who shall be styled as "Diplomates", the terms and qualifications of which are set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

**TENTH:** No Director or Officer of the Corporation shall be liable to the Corporation or its members for damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a Director or officer excepting only (a) acts or omissions which involve intentional misconduct, fraud or a knowing violation of law, (b) the payment of distributions in violation of NRS 82.136, or (c) an action or proceeding brought pursuant to NRS 82.136 or Chapter 35 of NRS. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 82.536, 82.136 and Chapter 35 of NRS, no action may be brought against an Officer or Director of a Corporation based on any act or omission arising from failure in his official capacity to exercise due care regarding the management or operation of the Corporation unless the act or omission involves intentional misconduct, fraud, knowing violation of the law or the failure of a Director or Officer of a corporation for public benefit to review information, opinions, reports, books of account or statements, including financial statements or other financial information, to him for review. No amendment or repeal of this Article applies to, or has any effect on, the liability, or alleged liability, of any Director or Officer of this Corporation for, or with respect to, any acts or omissions of the Director or Officer occurring prior to the amendment or repeal, except as otherwise required by law.

**ELEVENTH:** The territory in which the operations of the Corporation are to be conducted is the United States of America and its territories and possessions, and in such other places as the Board of Directors may from time to time authorize and direct. Meetings of the Board of Directors and committees may be held within or without the State of Nevada. Subject to any provision contained in the applicable statutes, the Corporation may have an office or offices and keep its books within or without the State of Nevada at such place or places as may from time to time be designated by the Directors or in the Bylaws of the corporation.

**TWELFTH:** In the event of and upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the Corporation exclusively for the purpose of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as the Board of Directors shall determine.

**THIRTEENTH:** The Corporation shall have and may exercise all of the corporate powers enumerated in NRS Chapter 82 et seq., as amended, provided that none of the assets, funds or income of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any private individual, and no substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including by the publishing or distributing of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office, and further provided that the Corporation may do any and all things necessary or advisable for, or incident to, carrying out the aforesaid purposes of the Corporation, but shall not otherwise engage in activities which in themselves, are not in furtherance of one or more exempt purposes except as the same do not represent a substantial part of its activities. To protect the tax-exempt status of the corporation, the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) The Corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax law.
- (b) The Corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941 (d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax law.
- (c) The Corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax law.
- (d) The Corporation shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of the subsequent federal tax laws.
- (e) The Corporation will not make any taxable expenditure as defined in Section 4945 (d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax law.

**FOURTEENTH:** Every person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is involved in any action, suit or proceedings, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that he or a person for whom he is the legal representative is or was an Officer or Director of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as an Officer or Director of another corporation, or as its representative in a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, shall be indemnified and held harmless to the fullest extent legally permissible under the law of the State of Nevada from time to time against all expenses, liability and loss (including attorney's fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid or to be paid in settlement) reasonably incurred or suffered by him in connection therewith. Such right of indemnification shall be a contract right which may be enforced in any manner desired by such person. Such right of indemnification shall not be exclusive of any other right which such Directors, Officers or representatives may have or hereafter acquire and, without limiting the generality of such statement, they shall be entitled to their respective rights of indemnification under any Bylaw, agreement, vote of Shareholders, provision of law or otherwise, as well as their rights under this Article. Without limiting the application of the foregoing, the Board of Directors may adopt Bylaws from time to time with respect to indemnification to provide at all times the fullest indemnification permitted by the law of the State of Nevada and may cause the

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Corporation to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was an Officer or Director of the Corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as an Officer or Director of another corporation, or as its representative in a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against such person and incurred in any such capacity or arising out of such status, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify such person.

**FIFTEENTH:** The Bylaws of the Corporation are to be made and adopted by the Board of Directors and may be amended or rescinded by a majority vote of the Board.

**SIXTEENTH:** This Articles of Incorporation may be amended upon adoption of Articles of Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation by a majority of the Board of Directors.

**SEVENTEENTH:** The names of the incorporator and the incorporator's address are:

Dr. David Sipes  
Vienna Medical Clinic  
135 Center Street, South  
Vienna, VA 22180

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed these Articles of Incorporation.

*Dr. David Sipes*

(Notarized October 7, 1991)

(Filed with the State of Nevada on November 21, 1991)

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REGISTRATION DOCUMENTATION

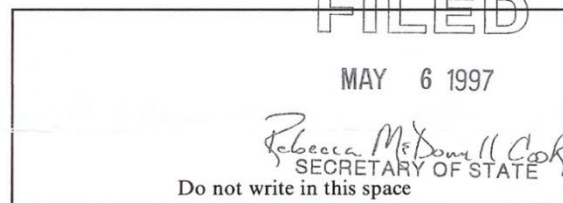


State of  
Missouri

Trade Marks and Service Marks:  
Application or Renewal

1. Applicant's name American Board of Forensic Odontology  
Street address 615 E. Schuster Ave Bld 9B  
City, state, zip EL PASO, TX 79902 13956  
If applicant is a corporation, give state of incorporation NEVADA

2. Applicant is seeking to register  
☐ Trade mark ☒ Service mark  
3. If renewal, give date of expiration \_\_\_\_\_  
4. What is the number and class of goods and services  
connected with mark: 41; education



5. Briefly describe the goods and services used in connection with the mark:  
PROFESSIONAL Certification of dentists  
Note the Full Name, Abbreviation ABFO + logo are used  
6. Briefly describe how the mark is used in connection with such goods and services:  
Advertising, letterhead, used in scientific literature. Plea.  
7. The mark has been used in business by the applicant (or predecessor) since 1970 and used in  
the state of Missouri since 1984.  
8. Give a written description of the mark education and certification of dentists  
bestowed by the organization called "ABFO", "American Board  
of Forensic Odontology" +/or logo  
9. The applicant is the owner of the trade mark or service mark described in the application, and no other person  
has the right to use such mark in Missouri either in identical form or in such near resemblance as might be  
calculated to deceive or be mistaken for original mark.  
10. George M. ISAAC, being first duly sworn, state that I am the applicant, or a lawfully authorized  
representative of the applicant, that I have read the above application and know its contents and that the facts  
stated therein are true.

George M. Isaac  
Signature

President  
Title

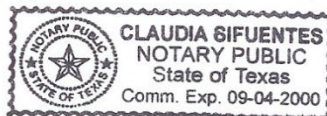
State of Texas  
County of EL PASO } ss

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of  
April, 1997.

Claudia Sifuentes  
Notary Public

(Seal)

My appointment or commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_



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## STATE OF MISSOURI

Office of  
Secretary of State

### RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

I, ROBIN CARNAHAN, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, and Keeper of the Great Seal thereof, hereby certify that the Service mark, registration number #S13956 for

**organization called "ABFO", "American Board of Forensic Odontology"**  
+/-or logo

being used in connection with Class 41 for Education and entertainment having been filed by **American Board of Forensic Odontology** on May 6, 1997, and first used in Missouri in 1984 has this day been renewed by

**American Board of Forensic Odontology, Inc.**  
**11 Ronnies Plaza**  
**St. Louis, MO 63126**

A copy of said mark is hereto attached and has been duly recorded in this office in conformity with Section 417.026 RSMo. 2000. Said mark is renewed for a period of ten years and will expire on May 5, 2017.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri. Done at the City of Jefferson, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2007.



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*Robin Carnahan*  
Secretary of State

06/2007

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CERTIFICATE OF ACCREDITATION**

**March 2018 – March 2028**



## **HISTORICAL LISTING OF ABFO OFFICERS**

### **1976**

President - Dr. Curtis Mertz  
Vice President - Dr. Thomas Ward  
Secretary - Dr. Paul Stimson  
Treasurer - Dr. Manuel Maslansky

### **1977**

President - Dr. Curtis Mertz  
Vice President - Dr. Thomas Ward  
Secretary - Dr. Paul Stimson  
Treasurer - Dr. Manuel Maslansky

### **1978**

President - Dr. Curtis Mertz  
Vice President - Dr. Thomas Ward  
Secretary - Dr. Homer Campbell  
Treasurer - Dr. Arthur Goldman

### **1979**

President - Dr. Arthur Goldman  
Vice President - Dr. Edward Woolridge  
Secretary - Dr. Homer Campbell  
Treasurer - Dr. William Giles

### **1980**

President - Dr. Arthur Goldman  
Vice President - Dr. Norman Sperber  
Secretary - Dr. Homer Campbell  
Treasurer - Dr. William Giles

### **1981**

President - Dr. Lowell Levine  
Vice President - Dr. Norman Sperber  
Secretary - Dr. Homer Campbell  
Treasurer - Dr. William Giles

### **1982**

President - Dr. William Giles  
Vice President - Dr. Gerald Vale  
Secretary - Dr. Homer Campbell  
Treasurer - Dr. David Sipes

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### **1983**

President - Dr. Gerald Vale  
Vice President - Dr. Thomas Krauss  
Secretary - Dr. Homer Campbell  
Treasurer - Dr. David Sipes

### **1984**

President - Dr. David Scott  
Vice President - Dr. David Sipes  
Secretary - Dr. Raymond Rawson  
Treasurer - Dr. William Alexander

### **1985**

President - Dr. Robert Dorion  
Vice President - Dr. Miles Standish  
Secretary - Dr. Richard Souviron  
Treasurer - Dr. Edward Herschaft

### **1986**

President - Dr. Raymond Rawson  
Vice President - Dr. William Alexander  
Secretary - Dr. David Sipes  
Treasurer - Dr. Paul Stimson

### **1987**

President - Dr. Richard Souviron  
President Elect - Dr. Thomas Krauss  
Vice President - Dr. Edward Herschaft  
Secretary - Dr. David Sipes  
Treasurer - Dr. Paul Stimson

### **1988**

President - Dr. Thomas Krauss  
President Elect - Dr. Stanley Schwartz  
Vice President - Dr. David Sipes  
Secretary - Dr. Wilbur Richie  
Treasurer - Dr. Paul Stimson

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### **1989**

President - Dr. Stanley Schwartz  
President Elect- Dr. David Sipes  
Vice President - Dr. Paul Stimson  
Secretary - Dr. Wilbur Richie  
Treasurer - Dr. Gary Bell

### **1990**

President - Dr. David Sipes  
President Elect - Dr. Paul Stimson  
Vice President - Dr. William Alexander  
Secretary - Dr. Gary Bell  
Treasurer - Dr. Wilbur Richie

### **1991**

President - Dr. Paul Stimson  
President Elect - Dr. William Alexander  
Vice President - Dr. Wilbur Richie  
Secretary - Dr. Gary Bell  
Treasurer - Dr. John Kenney

### **1992**

President - Dr. William Alexander  
President Elect - Dr. Wilbur Richie  
Vice President - Dr. Gary Bell  
Secretary - Dr. Ann Norrlander  
Treasurer - Dr. John Kenney

### **1993**

President - Dr. Wilbur Richie  
President Elect - Dr. Gary Bell  
Vice President - Dr. John Kenney  
Secretary - Dr. Ann Norrlander  
Treasurer - Dr. George Isaac

### **1994**

President - Dr. Gary Bell  
President Elect - Dr. Jack Kenney  
Vice President - Dr. Ann Norrlander  
Secretary - Dr. David Averill  
Treasurer - Dr. George Isaac

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### **1995**

President - Dr. Jack Kenney  
President Elect - Dr. Ann Norrlander  
Vice President - Dr. George Isaac  
Secretary - Dr. David Averill  
Treasurer - Dr. Harry Mincer

### **1996**

President - Dr. Ann Norrlander  
President Elect - Dr. George Isaac  
Vice President - Dr. David Averill  
Secretary - Dr. L. Thomas Johnson  
Treasurer - Dr. Harry Mincer

### **1997**

President - Dr. George Isaac  
President Elect Dr. David Averill  
Vice President Dr. Harry Mincer  
Secretary Dr. L. Thomas Johnson  
Treasurer Dr. Michael Tabor

### **1998**

President - Dr. David Averill  
President Elect - Dr. Harry Mincer  
Vice President - Dr. L. Thomas Johnson  
Secretary - Dr. Joseph Gentile  
Treasurer - Dr. Michael Tabor

### **1999**

President - Dr. Harry Mincer  
President Elect - Dr. L. Thomas Johnson  
Vice President - Dr. Michael Tabor  
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### **2003**

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President – Dr. John Lewis  
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Vice President – Dr. John Kenney  
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### **2005**

President – Dr. James McGivney  
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Vice President – Dr. Richard Dial  
Secretary – Dr. Peter Hampl  
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### **2006**

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### **2008**

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### **2009**

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### **2010**

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### **2011**

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### **2012**

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### **2018**

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