



Arizona Board of Chiropractic Examiners

Legal Updates and Newsletter

Fall 2012

Board Members

James J. Badge, D.C.
Chairman

Richard A. Guarino, D.C.
Vice-Chairman

Norris Nordvold
Member

Upcoming Board Meetings:

September 13, 2012
October 11, 2012
November 14, 2012
December 12, 2012

All Board meetings are open to the public and take place in the Board office conference room. Meetings generally begin at 9:00 a.m. However, both meeting dates and times are subject to change. You may refer to the website for meeting notices and agendas.

Examinations:

Jurisprudence examinations are given at 10:00 am on the 1st Friday of each month. The deadline for each examination is one month prior to the exam date.

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Handling the Spiny License Renewal Application: Tips and Tricks for Successful Renewal Wrangling

1. Always attempt to return a renewal application to its home as soon as possible after finding it in your mailbox. Waiting to return a renewal to the Board reduces the amount of time staff has to contact you regarding problems it may have.
2. Always complete your continuing education before attempting to handle the license renewal application. If you return the renewal application before completing your continuing education, it will simply return to your mailbox.
3. NEVER leave ANY question blank. Turning your back on a question will cause a renewal to bite you. This is especially dangerous in December, when time to remedy the situation is short.
4. The renewal application fee is \$170.00. Failure to return a complete renewal application postmarked by December 31 will result in an additional fee of \$100.00. Please make sure that your check is made payable to the Arizona Chiropractic Board and made out for the correct amount. The Board cannot accept applications without the appropriate fee.
5. Always sign your own renewal form. Renewals returned with stamped signatures or the signatures of others cannot be accepted by the Board and must be turned away. Don't let your renewal be turned away!
6. Read the directions that come with the renewal application carefully. They are meant to help you safely handle the form and return it with all of the required documentation and fees. Failing to read the instructions could lead to trouble.
7. The deadline for returning renewals is December 31. Failing to return a complete license renewal application by the deadline will result in the suspension of your license. Your license and livelihood depend on your care with these spiny creatures. Make sure that you return them safely to their home in time!

8. If you aren't sure how to handle a question on your renewal, contact Board staff. We are available between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding state holidays. Renewal applications may bite, but staff does not.



Board Member Departures

The Board invites you to take part in a thankful farewell to three departing members. For those who are not familiar with the level of dedication the profession receives from Board members, it is a considerable sacrifice. Each Board member gives an average of three days a month for meeting preparation and participation. That time commitment usually means giving up a day of practice. In addition, Board members always take the high road of professionalism when false accusations are made against them by some members of the profession.

The three departing Board members are: Dianne Haydon, D.C., Susan Wenberg, D.C. and Frances Hanson.

P. Dianne Haydon D.C. provided strong leadership to the Board during her 9 years of service. Her commitment to the profession is demonstrated by her travel between Kingman and Phoenix in the service of the Board. During Dr. Haydon's tenure as both Chair and Vice-Chair, the Board passed through an extensive and successful audit that confirmed that the Board is fair and appropriate in its enforcement of the laws, obtained regulatory authority over business entities that provide chiropractic services, and obtained legislative authority to amend continuing education laws in an effort the better serve the profession.

Susan Wenberg, D.C. also demonstrated her commitment to the public and the profession by missing a day of practice periodically through her monthly travel between Tucson and Phoenix. She was also instrumental during her tenure as Chair and Vice-Chair in obtaining legislative changes noted above. Perhaps most importantly, her high regard for professionalism in the practice of chiropractic was evident in her participation in Board discussions and decisions.

Frances Hanson, a public member, gave us her personal day off at least one day each month to attend meetings, as well as her personal time reviewing materials in preparation for Board members. Ms. Hanson brought her fresh insight as a newer member of the Board to the benefit of both the public and the profession.



Disciplinary Actions

Licensees who have had a disciplinary action imposed by the Board from September 1, 2011 to August 31, 2012 include:

Shelly Childers, D.C.
#2011-018 - Revocation
Peter J. Gariboldi, D.C.
#2010-078 & 2012-012 - Probation
Alfred A. Lamanna, D.C.
#2005-079, 2005-091 & 2011-041 - Surrender
Richard A. Madrid, D.C.
#2011-038 & 2012-018 - Probation
Richard G. Matera, D.C.
#NJ2012-019 & 2012-071 - Letter of Concern
Nicholas K. Poff, D.C.
#2012-072 – Letter of Concern
Randall S. Pruitt, D.C.
#2011-068, et al. - Revocation
Rodney D. Ray, D.C.
#2011-088 – Surrender
Bryan T. Sloyan, D.C.
#2011-116 – Probation
Charles P. Spear, D.C.
#2010-056 & 2012-006 – Stayed Suspension & Probation

You may review the above disciplinary actions on our web site, www.azchiroboard.us.

To view an action, choose the "Find a Chiropractor" link. Then, type in the first name, last name or license number of the licensee in the criteria box on the search page. Next, choose the correct licensee from the resulting list. A summary of the action should appear. You may review the entire Order by choosing the "View Order" link above the summary.

You may also order a list of disciplinary actions from the Board. The cost for a list of disciplinary actions varies based on the length of time you request and the number of actions taken during that period. The Board charges .25 per page with a minimum charge of \$2.00 for each list. Please contact Board staff for the cost before submitting your payment.