Oklahoma Accountancy Board



Summer 2020

CPAs in a Time of Pandemic

As we look back on the first half of 2020, we hope the second half will be a little less crazy. COVID-19 has presented us with an unprecedented situation, but we continue to move forward and navigate the challenges of this ongoing pandemic. To limit exposure and comply with State safety recommendations, the Board's staff is alternating shifts while working out of both their homes and in the office, as well as prohibiting any outside visitors. With that said, the Board has not missed a beat and we are staying on top of things! We are here to assist you and will make accommodations if you need to drop off applications or documents.

The pandemic forced Prometric to close temporarily their test centers, and our candidates missed six weeks of test time. We have extended the scores and candidacies to December 31, 2020 for those that are expiring between April 1, 2020, and December 31, 2020. Additionally, continuous testing started July 1st, which allows two months of make-up time. Prometric is currently running at 120% capacity to ensure that candidates can get scheduled.

Another common concern is how the Board plans to handle continuing professional education (CPE) requirements this year. As of now, the Board has not approved any deferments in regards to CPE for calendar year 2020. As a reminder, the OAB does not have a limit on online self-study learning activities (self-paced). However, these types of courses must be offered through a NASBA-registered provider or taken through the Oklahoma Society of CPAs or the American Institute of CPAs. Furthermore, many providers have moved to a virtual delivery method, including webinars and webcasts. Because these types of activities include a "live" element, these providers are not required to be registered with NASBA. We feel these options provide several avenues for our constituents to complete learning activities by December 31, 2020.

These are just some of the challenges we've faced together thus far in 2020. However, we are marching forward and the Board will continue to conduct normal business operations under the current circumstances. We remain diligent as we adhere to the COVID-19 workplace guidelines provided by



the State and will communicate any changes that affect our candidates and registrants. As always, please contact the Board should you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

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Randall A. Ross, CPA Executive Director

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The OAB Welcomes New Board Member, Sandra Siegfried, CPA

Sandra F. "Sandy" Siegfried, CPA, grew up in Tulsa and earned her bachelor's degree in accounting after attending Oklahoma State University and the University of Tulsa. After a stint in the accounting department at a large oil company, Sandy went to work for Stanfield + O'Dell P.C., and served as a shareholder for many years.



She is a member of the Oklahoma Society of CPAS and served as President during the fiscal years 2001-2002. She has also served

on many committees of the OSCPA, including the taxation committee and professional ethics committee. Sandy has also served as president of the Tulsa Chapter of CPAs, the Tulsa Tax Club and the Rotary Club of Tulsa Foundation, and is a member of the Advisory Board of Directors for the University of Tulsa Conference of Accountants. She currently sits on the Board of Directors of EPC Benefit Resources Inc., a national not-for-profit that serves her church's denomination.

Sandy is married to Kerry and is the mother of two adult daughters and grandmother to four grandchildren. \bigstar

Board Thanks Mike Sanner, CPA, for a Decade of Service

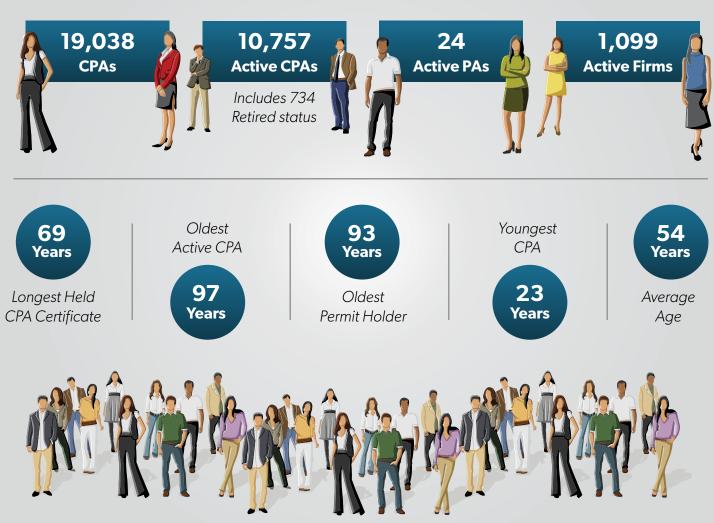
Former Board member Mike Sanner, CPA, was recognized by the Oklahoma Accountancy Board, during June's virtual Board meeting, for his dedicated service to the Board as a member from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2020. Mr. Sanner served as Board Chair July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015. Oklahoma Accountancy Board members and staff wholeheartedly thank you for your service to the Board and the CPA profession. ★



The OAB Needs Your Help

The Oklahoma Accountancy Board (Board) is looking for registrants interested in serving a three-year term on its Peer Review Oversight Committee (PROC). The Board relies on the PROC to provide assurance that the peer review programs administering peer reviews to Oklahoma registrants are done in accordance with minimum standards. Members of the PROC are not Board members and must be in a supervisory capacity or above in the accounting or auditing function for a public practice or for a state or local government. The PROC typically meets quarterly for two to three hours each meeting and receive \$150 an hour for their service. If you would like more information on how to become a PROC member, please email Colin Autin, Deputy Director & Peer Review, at cautin@oab.ok.gov and check out 15:15-33-7 of the Oklahoma Administrative Code to see the full list of PROC rules. ★

Oklahoma CPA Stats: June 2020



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Candidate's Corner Reminder!

As of July 1, 2020, testing windows will be replaced by continuous testing year-round. Other than waiting to receive scores from prior attempts of the same section or when there is a major change to the exam, there will be no restrictions.★

Enforcement Actions

Enforcement Actions will be provided in the 2021 Winter Bulletin.★

Candidate's Corner

OKLAHOMA ACCOUNTANCY BOARD SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES WINDOW 1/2020 (01/01/2020 THROUGH 02/28/2020)

SANDRA JO BASSETT ROBERT YOUNG BROWN IV ADDISON SCOTT BROWN **TRENT LEE CALDWELL** JOSUE CASTRO LOPEZ JR NYARKOA OFORI GYEBI FRANKIE LEE HORNE BRITTANY JOY JORDAN CHANDLER BROOKS LIDIA ADAM LEE LIGHTFOOT MICHAEL KYLE LUNN HUNTER ALAN MARCUM NICHOLAS CRAIG MCCASLIN TANNER JOSEPH MOLLMAN RACHEL FAITH POE KAYLA JAYE RIKE MADISON LEIGH ROBERTSON JASMYN SAULS JEFFREY R SCHUMAN CHUAN SHI ROBERT EUGENE SILVERS LAURA LINDSEY STEBBINS JUE WANG LANCE EDWARD WORSHAM JUNYANG ZHENG

OKLAHOMA ACCOUNTANCY BOARD SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES WINDOW 2/2020 (04/01/2020 THROUGH 05/31/2020)

NATNAEL BEZABEH ABEBE LEAH PARI ASHRAFI RICHARD ALBERT BISSON II SAMUEL EDWARD BLODGETT KRISTY MICHELLE BRENNER CARSON DOUGLAS BROWN APRIL LYNN CAMPBELL LEVI THOMAS CHUCULATE SAMUEL W ENLOE SHERIDAN BROOKE FULLER RICKY LYNN GARVER JR CHRISTINA JOY GRANT JOHNATHAN TYLER HARRINGTON HANNAH MARIE HUNT TOMOYO INOUE MAGGIE LAM ANNE ELIZABETH LINDSAY CARSON SCOTT MITCHELL MICHAEL CHET MONGOLD JESSICA LYNN O'DELL JAMES WILLIAM OLMSTEAD CAROLINE ROSE PLATT WILLIAM ALEXANDER ROBINSON ALEXIS MARIE ROW SCOTT GREGORY SHAW STEPHANIE ANNE SINGER COLE BRYANT STEPHENSON CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL STILES VICTOR JAMES STILLWELL JOHN DAVID STRINGER KATARINA VICTORIA WEBSTER

Total Successful Candidates Window 1/2019 = 25 Window 2/2020 = 31 BOLD = Each section passed on first sitting