

**INTERVIEWS
CANDIDATES FOR PHARMACIST LICENSURE
ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA**

APRIL 16, 2014

On Wednesday, April 16, 2014, *PRESIDENT MARK CONRADI* called the Board to order at 11:25 A.M. Those present were:

MARK CONRADI	President
TIM MARTIN	Vice-President
DAN MCCONAGHY	Treasurer
BUDDY BUNCH	Member
DAVID DARBY	Member
SUSAN ALVERSON	Secretary

ABSENT: NONE

PRESIDENT CONRADI presented eleven (11) candidates seeking licensure to the Board:

By Examination:

SUSAN E. KLEMINSKY	Alabama
BRITTAIN O. SIMMONS	Alabama

By Reciprocation:

CLAIRE P. CHACHERE	Mississippi
SARAH B. HANCOCK	Georgia
DANIEL W. INBODEN	Illinois
JENNIFER L. KILGORE	Tennessee
THOMAS B. LEDBETTER	Georgia
MICHAEL A. MACCIA	North Carolina
RENEE M. POLICANO	Colorado
JEREMIAH N. SMITH	Indiana
WILLIAM R. THOMPSON	Tennessee

PRESIDENT MARK CONRADI welcomed the candidates for licensure, asked them to stand, state their names, pharmacy school they attended and where they intended to work in Alabama.

He stated that three (3) of the Members of the Board are appointed by the Governor of Alabama consisting of a hospital pharmacist, an independent pharmacist and a chain pharmacist. Two (2) are voted on by all Alabama pharmacists.

He introduced himself and informed the candidates that he is a chain pharmacist selected by former Alabama Governor Bob Riley and is serving his second term on the Board. He has worked as Director of Pharmacy for a chain pharmacy and presently works as a staff pharmacist for CVS/pharmacy. He is also an attorney and teaches law at Auburn University to 4th year pharmacy students. He explained that pharmacy laws differ from state to state and the way one pharmacist has been practicing for thirty (30) years might not necessarily be within the law. He further discussed the loss of drugs from a pharmacy. For a technician, stealing Lortab is more money in one day than working for a month. On most occasions, a pharmacist abuses drugs; a technician sells. If you have any questions, call one of the Board Member directly or the Board office.

He requested that the Board Members introduce themselves and asked that the Board Members give their place of employment, briefly describe how they became a member of the Board and the position they hold.

He further informed the candidates that the Board was formed to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the people of Alabama.

TREASURER DAN MCCONAGHY introduced himself and informed the candidates that his position on the Board is an at-large position and is voted on by all licensed pharmacists in the State of Alabama. His family has been in the practice of pharmacy and owned a pharmacy since 1952 (before he was born). He has

worked in various fields of pharmacy including independent pharmacy, home infusion, nursing homes and hospitals. He instructed the candidates to read the Supervising Pharmacist Rule, 680-X-2-.12, to become aware of the specific responsibilities in case one or more of them are offered and accept this designation. Become involved in national/state/local pharmacy associations. Participate and become active to insure the practice of pharmacy continues to move forward.

MEMBER DAVID DARBY introduced himself and informed the candidates that he is the newest Member of the Board and has just been elected as a candidate at large for a five (5) year term beginning January 1, 2014. He graduated from Auburn University School of Pharmacy in 1982, the same year as his sister graduated. Prior to his becoming a pharmacist, no one in his family had practiced pharmacy. He has lived in Andalusia approximately thirty (30) years and currently he and his wife, who is also a pharmacist, opened their first pharmacy in 1997 and their second a couple of years ago. He encouraged the candidates to become involved in the various pharmacy associations starting on the state level with the Alabama Pharmacy Association for the practice of retail pharmacy or the Alabama Society of Health System Pharmacists for the practice of pharmacy in an institution.

VICE PRESIDENT TIM MARTIN introduced himself and informed the candidates that he is an institutional pharmacist and is the Director of Pharmacy for four hospitals in west Alabama that combined total 1,000 beds. He was appointed to the Board by Alabama Governor Robert Bentley and represents the institutional practice of pharmacy. He is beginning his 3rd year as a Board Member this year. With all the news of prescription drugs being diverted, the public asks where the drugs are coming from and look to pharmacies as the source. Spend a significant portion of your time knowing what's going on in your environment. He informed the candidates of the Board of the Pharmacy Wellness Program and of the tremendous job of the Program's Administrator Dr. Mike Garver. He encouraged the candidates if there ever came a time when they worked with a

pharmacist or technician or if they themselves felt impaired, to contact Dr. Garver with the Wellness Program.

MEMBER BUDDY BUNCH introduced himself and informed the candidates that he was a community pharmacist and he began his second year on the Board in January. He began work with Harco Pharmacy in 1980 and in 1997 opened his own pharmacy, Bunch Pharmacy, in Guntersville, Alabama. He was appointed by Governor Robert Bentley as a representative of independent pharmacy. He informed the candidates that it is easier to ask for permission than forgiveness, call the Board Office and ask questions. He went on to 'welcome' all the candidates to Alabama.

The interviews concluded with **PRESIDENT CONRADI** welcoming each candidate to Alabama.

On a motion by **MEMBER DAVID DARBY**, second by **MEMBER BUDDY BUNCH**, and a vote of ALL AYES, Alabama licensure was granted to eleven (11) candidates for pharmacist licensure pending completion of necessary forms, payment of fees, and collection of funds.

At 11:48 a.m., the Board Meeting adjourned.

OFFICIAL:

FOR THE ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY:

Mark Conradi
President

Susan Alverson
Secretary