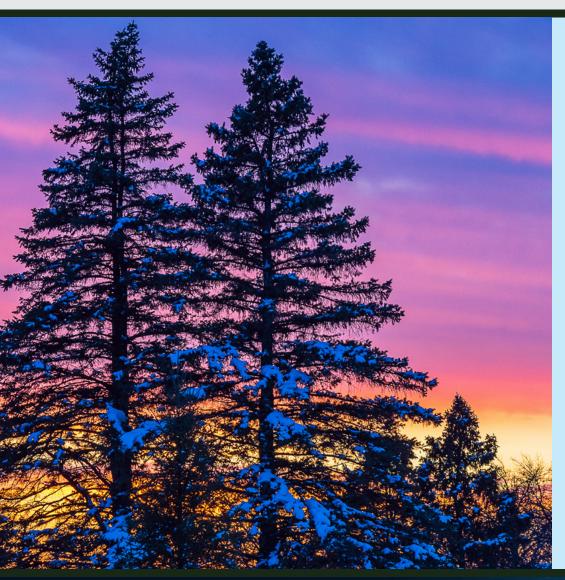


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REGISTRATION IS APPROACHING

All CPAs, PAs, NLOs and Firms must submit a 2024-2025 Registration Form no later than December 31, 2024.

Check out the important reminders on page 2.



IMPORTANT REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration Forms

The 2024-2025 paper Registration forms and online links are now available on the Registration page of the Board's website. All CPAs, PAs, NLOs and Firms must submit a 2024-2025 Registration Form no later than December 31, 2024. Forms submitted after December 31, 2024 are subject to a late renewal penalty of \$100. Forms submitted after February 28, 2025 are subject to a late renewal penalty of \$500. Disciplinary action will be taken for anyone who has not registered after March 31, 2025.

Instructional Video

A helpful video is available on our website to assist with any questions you may have with creating an account and/or uploading your CPE for the online registrations. The link to this video can be found on the Registration page of the Board's website.

CPE Reporting

CPE reporting is completed on your annual registration form each year.

Please make sure to have your CPE certificates of completion in hand when you complete the CPE reporting portion of your registration. Make sure that you have independently verifiable evidence of completion for 40 hours of CPE, including 8 hours of accounting and auditing CPE and 2 hours of ethics CPE.

CPE Extensions

CPE must have been completed by September 30, 2024. If you find that you did not complete the required hours, please email Ashley Sides to request a CPE extension. In your email, please include your name, certificate number, the date by which you plan to have your CPE completed, and the reason you need the extension. CPE extensions that extend beyond December 31, 2024 will mean that your late registration will be assessed the applicable late penalty.

False Attestations

The Board strongly advises licensees

who have not completed their required CPE to reach out to the Board office.

Do not falsely attest completion of CPE courses in order to renew your license as active. Licensees who falsely attest to completion of CPE could face disciplinary action that may include possible censure or revocation, making up the deficient CPE hours, completion of an additional ethics course and substantial fines. The Board encourages licensees to change their status and renew as inactive status rather than falsely attest CPE completion. (Please refer to Board Rules pertaining to Inactive status.) If you have any questions regarding registration, please contact the Board office.





BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Wim Schaffers

Wilhelmus (Wim) Schaffers is in his second term and eighth year as a Board member of the Alabama State Board of Public Accountancy ("ASBPA"), having served the board since his appointment in 2017.

Wim attended the University of Delaware and received his bachelor's degree in Accounting from Kennesaw State University in Atlanta. After graduation he began his career with KPMG in 1990 and joined EY in 1996. Wim passed the CPA examination in 1990 and became a certified public accountant in 1992 after completing 2 years of public accounting (the requirement at the time). Wim spent the majority of his time in public accounting with EY and was admitted to the partnership in 2003. Throughout his career, Wim has served clients in the highly regulated insurance industry, including large public private multi-national companies. Wim was also involved in EY's Audit Quality Review Program and led review teams globally.

Wim retired from EY in 2021 to join an Insurtech startup company, Olé Insurance Group (Olé) as its Chief Financial Officer. Olé was founded in 2000 to bring an affordable, digital US dollar-based term life insurance product to LATAM and the Caribbean. As CFO, Wim built the accounting and finance teams and developed the processes and procedures for these departments. Wim is also heavily involved in strategy and product development for Olé. To date, Olé has over 3,000 licensed agents and sales in 30 countries in LATAM and the Caribbean. Wim is enjoying his "retirement career" helping grow Olé into a





respected brand in the Latin American community.

Wim has also been actively involved with the National Association of State Boards of Public Accountancy (NASBA), having served on their Enforcement Resources Committee and the Standard-Setting and Professional Trends Advisory Committee. In October of this year, Wim was selected as NASBA's Southeast Regional Director where he will serve as a liaison for the southeastern state boards to the NASBA Board. As a Regional Director, Wim will also serve as a board member for NASBA and was selected to Chair NASBA's Audit Committee.

Wim and his wife, Karen, have been married for 31 years and live in Birmingham. Karen is a graduate of Florida State University and is a retired teacher. Wim and Karen have four children. Their daughter, Jacquie is a graduate of Auburn University and is a teacher for the Jefferson County School System in Birmingham. She and her husband, Hugh, live in Vestavia, AL. Their son, Johnny, earned his undergraduate and MAcc degrees in Accounting from Auburn University and works for FTI Consulting. He and his wife, Clara, live in Marrietta, GA. Their daughter, Kara, graduated with a nursing degree from Troy University and is an ER nurse at Piedmont Hospital. She and her husband, Jackson, live in Atlanta, GA. Their son, Cote, is also a graduate of Auburn University with a degree in Finance and works for JJ Kane in Little Rock, AK. Wim and Karen love to travel, hike and spend time with family.



NEW CPAS

Hayley Johnston Lowe Charles Jesse Nash Jessica Rose Filosa Carrie Turner McElroy Riley Thomas Shrode James Lloyd Worrell Xun Chen Hallie Marie Field Jonathon Russell Hand Jr Lucas Allen Pennington Catherine Jayne Yeilding Tyler Coleman Williams William Taylor Bradfor Jr Grayson Scott Bray Jacob Corey Harrison Joshua David Mann

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ARE YOU COMPLETING YOUR REGISTRATION FORM OR IS SOMEONE ELSE?

Each licensee is personally responsible for the accuracy of all items on the annual registration form. Additionally, each Resident Manager of a firm is responsible for the accuracy of all items on the firm registration. As such, each licensee and each resident manager should complete his or her own form, reviewing each item for accuracy before submission. Below is the statement that you are agreeing to when you sign your form (either digitally or physically), so make sure that you are the one reviewing and hitting that submit

I certify under penalty of perjury that all statements and information contained herein are true, accurate and correct in every aspect, to the best of my knowledge and belief; and that I have not suppressed any information that might affect my renewal, with full knowledge that the information submitted in this renewal may be grounds for disciplinary action against my certificate.





DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

For a complete listing of disciplinary actions from 2002 to the present, please visit the Board's website.

The facts of each case vary greatly and the Board's ruling is based on the merit of each case.

November 11, 2024

NAMED CPA DICKERSON, GLENN H

CASE # 24CPE-24 **ACTION** N/A

FINE \$7,500

DESCRIPTION Failed CPE audit / fined \$7,500,

resolve CPE for FYE 9/30/23, & complete CPT course all due w/in 30

days of Board approval.

NAMED CPA MACDONALD, LAMAR NICHOLAS

CERT NO. 6306-R
CASE # 24PR-7
ACTION REVOKED
FINE \$2,000

DESCRIPTION Failing to enter into the peer review

program / Fined \$2,000; Return certificate & pay fine w/in 30 days; Also must complete NASBA CPT

Ethics course.

NAMED CPA POOSER, ARTHUR KEITH III

CERT NO. 8920

CASE # 24-13, 24-14, 24-16

ACTION CENSURED \$3.000

DESCRIPTION Filed or extended two client's tax

returns without client review or permission and made assurance that a third tax return would be filed but did not. All three clients made multiple attempts to contact but with no return communication. Failed to respond to Board inquiry letters. / This activity violates rules of professional conduct, conduct in general: dishonesty, fraud, or gross negligence in the practice of public accounting; and failing to respond in writing to any communication from the Board within thirty (30) days. / Must complete the following within 30 days of the Board approval: 1) pay \$3,000 fine; and 2) complete NASBA

HELPFUL LINKS









CPT Ethics course.



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