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SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS:

VIRTUAL MEETINGS ONLY DUE TO COVID 19 UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

- JUNE 15, 2021
- JULY 16, 2021
- AUGUST 20, 2021
- OCTOBER 22, 2021
- DECEMBER 3, 2021

Board Members

- Sean P. Weaver, CPA, Chair
- Julie Spiegel, CPA, Vice-Chair
- Meridith Bihuniak, CPA
- Jeffery Bottenberg, Public Member
- James F. Gillespie, CPA
- John R. Helms, CPA
- Allison Koehn, Public Member

Please direct all communications to Board members to the KSBOA office.

Board Staff

- Susan Somers, Executive Director
- Taylor Thimesch, Administrative Officer
- Nancy Downing, Administrative Specialist

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Are you still walking around wondering what day it is, much less what month it is? Same here ! That being said, it is a new year, and things are looking up and opening up! Please let us know if you have any questions or need assistance by contacting us at ksboa@ks.gov or by calling 785-296-2162.



Susan Somers
Executive Director
Kansas Board of Accountancy

WE HAVE A NEW WEBSITE!

We are excited to launch a new website. It has had a complete overhaul, is mobile friendly, and much more user friendly! We are super excited about this and hope you will find it to be much more manageable! Check it out! One thing, though, the URL for our website has changed. It is now <https://.ksboa.kansas.gov>. We look forward to hearing from you!



NEW WEBSITE

PERMIT RENEWALS

(YES, IT IS THAT TIME OF YEAR)

Permit renewal applications will be mailed June 1, 2021 to permit holders whose permits expire June 30, 2021. The Board gives a thirty-day grace to July 31, 2021 by which time to renew, either online or by paper. The grace period does not, however, apply to the timeframe by which to obtain your CE. All CE required to renew must be obtained by June 30, 2021, and certificates of completion/ attendance in hand before a person can renew. Here, for your convenience, is a PowerPoint Presentation on permit renewals and CE audits for you to review and retain to help you with the renewal and audit process.

PERMIT RENEWAL



CONTINUING EDUCATION WHAT NOT TO CLAIM FOR RENEWAL OR REINSTATEMENT PURPOSES

With the onset of COVID, many course sponsors, who previously were offering in-person classes, reverted to a virtual (webinar) delivery method for their courses. Although a permit holder may obtain all of their CE by virtual (webinar) and/ or self-study, the CE Regulations require that program sponsor must be approved by the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy, for those specific type of delivery methods. This did not change during COVID, so make sure that any CE you claim meets the requirements found in our Regulations at <https://ksboa.kansas.gov/wp-content/uploads/article4.pdf>. Specifically K.A.R. 74-4-47, 74-4-8, and 74-4-9. No exceptions were, or will be made, to the CE requirements.

WELCOME NEW BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY MEMBER

Welcome to Meridith Bihuniak, CPA, O'Flynn & Bihuniak Chartered, Overland Park. She obtained her degree in Accounting and Business Administration from the University of Kansas, and her Masters degree in Accounting from the University of Missouri, Kansas City. She specializes in fiduciary and individual tax returns and is a Certified Trust Financial Advisor.



SUCCESSFUL CPA EXAM CANDIDATES

Below is a list of successful CPA exam candidates from October 2020 - March 2021. Congratulations!

<p>October 2020</p> <p>Abilene, KS Elliot Gassman</p> <p>Courtland, KS Scott Woodard</p> <p>Manhattan, KS Chadrick Lind</p> <p>Shawnee, KS Joshua Karlin</p> <p>Topeka, KS Michelle Anderson</p> <p>Wichita, KS Trent Paske Jacqueline Gonzalez</p>	<p>November 2020</p> <p>Lenexa, KS Joseph Roszel</p> <p>Manhattan, KS Kelly Nun</p> <p>Olathe, KS Amelia Lundlow</p> <p>Topeka, KS Austin Mclure</p> <p>December 2020</p> <p>Kechi, KS Megan Brewer</p> <p>Leavenworth, KS Kaitlyn Kear</p>	<p>Marysville, KS Kennah Roberts</p> <p>Mission, KS Ashlyn Posladek</p> <p>Overland Park, KS Kendal Hale Hannah Wiesner Haley Ballard</p> <p>Pittsburg, KS Michael Jones</p> <p>Wichita, KS Isaac Stine Joshua Long Batchimeg Batgerel</p>	<p>January 2021</p> <p>Manhattan, KS Nathan Hoffman</p> <p>Overland Park, KS Bruce Pinedo Anna Beyer</p> <p>Shawnee, KS Koal Artzer</p> <p>Wichita, KS Adam Bisnette</p> <p>February 2021</p> <p>Lawrence, KS Blake Ramey</p> <p>Maize, KS Eric Dunham</p>	<p>Topeka, KS Brandy Wilson</p> <p>March 2021</p> <p>Emporia, KS Jason Kuehl</p> <p>Overland Park, KS Jerod Chaffin Olessya Solovev</p> <p>Salina, KS Zachary Montgomery</p> <p>Topeka, KS Kenneth Diec Jordan Schmitz</p> <p>Wichita, KS Brittany Labenz Troy Dewey</p>
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BOARD ACTIONS

Below is a listing of disciplinary actions taken by the Board for the period from September 2020 through March, 2021. Information concerning these, and other actions taken by the Board, may be found on the Board 's website under the link "Board Information ", or by contacting the Board office at ksboa@ks.gov.

October 2020

THE WINANS GROUP CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS, P.C. STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER: Failure to comply with applicable professional standards. The firm shall not perform or offer to perform audit services without prior approval of the Board and shall undertake a pre-issuance review of its next review engagement. Appearance before the Board; payment of costs; censure.

November 2020

WELCH & ASSOCIATES, LLC SUMMARY ORDER AMENDING STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER APPROVED DECEMBER 10, 2018: Released the firm from the pre-issuance review requirements for audit services. Reimbursement of costs.

DECEMBER 2020

NEIL BLEISH FINAL ORDER: Denial of applications for reinstatement of permit and application for certificate; reimbursement of costs.

KRISTOFER D. BORDEN STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER: Practicing without a valid CPA certificate and permit. Appearance before the Board, payment of a fine and reimbursement of costs; censure. Application for CPA certificate approved.

JANUARY 2021

LILY R. CARPIO, CPA STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER: Failure to meet the requirements to renew her permit. Payment of a fine; reimbursement of costs; obtain additional CE; censure.

CHRISTINE LEE WINANS, CPA & KIMBERLY NICOLE WINANS, CPA, STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER: Failure to comply with applicable professional standards. Respondents prohibited from performing or offering to perform audit services without prior written permission from the Board and censure.

FEBRUARY 2021

GARY EUGENE BUSH, II STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER: Practicing without a valid Kansas Certificate and Permit; payment of a fine and reimbursement of costs; censure. Application for certificate and permit approved.

MARCH 2021

BARRALE RENSHAW CPAs AND ADVISORS, LLC STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER: Failure to comply with applicable professional standards; The firm shall undergo a post-issuance review of a Kansas audit identified by the parties; reimbursement of costs; censure.

ELLINGER AND CAPPEL, LLC STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER: Practicing without a valid firm registration. Payment of a fine and reimbursement of costs; censure. Application for firm registration approved.

TAYLOR GROUP, LLC STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER: Failure to comply with applicable professional standards; pre-issuance review of all review engagements rendered for Kansas clients until further order of the Board; reimbursement of costs; censure.

IS YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION UP-TO-DATE?

Go to our website at <https://ksboa.kansas.gov>. Click on the "Change of Address" tab and update your information there. Remember, you are required to notify the Board within 30 days of any change in name, home address, employer name, business address or electronic mail address.

