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WORK EXPERIENCE/RESIDENCY

The Bond-Wroten Eye Clinics (Hammond, LA; Denham Springs, LA; Amite, LA)

Jul '05-Present Co-Owner/Partner; Chief Operations Officer; Optometric Physician;
Residency Program Founder & Supervisor; Externship Program Founder & Supervisor.

West Tennessee Eye (Memphis/Millington/Covington, TN)

Jul '03 - Jun '05 Associate Doctor of Optometry in full-scope primary eyecare practice externs.

Memphis Veterans Affairs Medical Center (Memphis, TN)

Jul '02 - Jun '02 Residency in Hospital-based Primary Care Optometry

Independent Contractor Doctor of Optometry (Memphis, TN)

Sep '02-May '03 Fill-in work at various private practice & corporate optometric settings.

Church Health Center (Memphis, Tn.)

2003 Volunteer Doctor of Optometry providing primary eye care to indigent patients.

OPTOMETRIC LICENSURE

2005-Present	Louisiana
2010-2014	Oklahoma
2002-2006	Tennessee

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS/ASSOCIATIONS

Adjunct Faculty Member – School of Optometry, University of Missouri-St. Louis, 2017-2018

Adjunct Faculty Member – Rosenberg School of Optometry, University of Incarnate Word, 2011-Present

Adjunct Faculty Member - Southern College of Optometry, Memphis, TN, 2008-Present

Adjunct Faculty Member - University of Alabama-Birmingham School of Optomtery, 2008, 2014, 2015,
2022-23

American Board of Optometry, August 2011-Present: Diplomate

Presidents Council, Moderator, 2012-Present

Southern College of Optometry (SCO) Board of Trustees, 2014-2024 – 2 term Chair (2022-2023 & 2021-2022)

SCO Alumni Council - Chair, 2014-2016; Member, 2011-2016

American Optometric Association, Member 1998-Present: served on numerous committees

Optometry Association of Louisiana, Member 2005-Present: 2 term President (2010-11 & 2011-12); served on
numerous committees

Louisiana State Board of Optometry Examiners (2 appointments by Governor)

President, 2020-2021

Member, 2016-2024

Southern Educational Congress of Optometry (SECO) - Vice Chair, Education Committee, 2017-2022, 2024

Optometry Times - Editorial Advisory Board, Practice Management Department /Author, 2018-Present

Review of Optometry – frequent contributing author

Optometric Management – frequent contributing author

American Society of Optometric Surgeons - Founding Member, Fellow, & State Liaison, 2018-Present

Ret.Pray.Love Foundation, Board Member, 2018-2021

Hayes Center for Practice Excellence, Advisory Board, 2011-2016

Essentia Pharma, Board of Directors, 2009-2020

Louisiana EyePA (subsidiary of Eyetopia), Board of Directors, 2009-2020

Alcon - Speaker's Bureau, 2012-15, 2016-17, 2018-19; Key Opinion Leader/Consultant 2019-Present

Novartis Pharmaceuticals – Key Opinion Leader, 2019-2021
Valeant/Bausch & Lomb - Virtual Advisory Board Member, 2014-2015
PetEyez – corporate advisory panel, 2023
Louisiana Medical Advisory Board, Member, 2017-2024, appointed by Governor
Board of Directors for Louisiana Emergency Response Network (LERN), Appointed by Governor
Bayou Health (Louisiana Medicaid) Quality Committee, Member
Louisiana Healthcare Quality Forum, Strategic Advisory Workgroup (Adjunct Advisor), 2010-2011
Louisiana Board of Pharmacy, Member, 2009-2011
American Public Health Association, Member, 2009-2012
Tennessee Optometric Association, Member 2002-2005
West Tennessee Optometric Society, Vice President/CE Program Coordinator, 2004-2005
Child Advocacy Services, Governing Board of Directors, 2008-2014: - President 2010, 2011, 2012
Lions Club, Volunteer/Provider
Special Olympics Opening Eyes Program, Past Volunteer

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

2023 American Optometric Association President's Award for Outstanding Contributions to Optometry
 2021 American Optometric Association President's Award for Outstanding Contributions to Optometry
 2016 *Primary Care Optometry News* 1 of "250 Leaders in Optometry" for "practicing progressively, providing innovative patient care, conducting optometric research or excelling in academia and sharing what they have learned with other optometrists to advance the profession"
 2016 Optometry Association of Louisiana President's Award
 2014 Optometry Association of Louisiana Optometrist of the Year
 2014 Optometry Association of Louisiana President's Award
 2012 American Optometric Association Young Optometrist of the Year
 2012 Southern Educational Congress of Optometry (SECO) Young Optometrist of the South
 2011 Southern College of Optometry Young Alumnus of the Year
 2011 Optometry Association of Louisiana: Young Optometrist of the Year

EDUCATION

Southern College of Optometry (Memphis, TN)

08/98-05/02 Summa Cum Laude Graduate

Louisiana State University (Baton Rouge, LA)

08/89-05/94 Bachelor of Science: Major = Chemical Engineering; Minor = Chemistry.

RECENT CE LECTURES/PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

June 2024	Optometry's Meeting, Nashville, TN "Contemporary Optometry Procedures for Dry Eye and Aesthetics" – 2 hr Panel Presentation with Jeff Michaels, OD; Selina McGee, OD ; Shane Swatts, OD ; & Walt Whitley, OD
June 2024	Presidents Council Moderator, Nashville, TN "Leadership Lessons from History: Part XV"
May 2024	West Virginia Association of Optometric Physicians, White Sulphur Springs, WV Sight & Sound: The Technology Every OD Should Have Now – 1 hr Get Fired Up! Lasers for Glaucoma – 1 hr The Future in Focus: Emerging Eye Care Treatments and Technologies - 2 hrs Shams, Scams, or Gamechangers?...You Decide! – 2 hrs
May 2024	Tennessee Association of Optometric Physicians CE Conference, Sandestin, FL Modern Aesthetics for the Optometric Physician – 1 hr All Things Eyelid – 1 hr Hot New or Not News? – 2 hrs
April 2024	Kansas Optometric Association Convention, Manhattan, KS Modern Aesthetics for the Optometric Physician – 1 hr Anterior Segment Hot Topics – 2 hrs The Future in Focus: Emerging Eye Care Treatments and Technologies - 2 hrs

Feb/Mar 2024	SECO International Educational Congress, Atlanta Moderator, Hot Topic Breakfast Panel: Anterior Segment with April Jasper, OD; Joe Shovelin, OD; & Pam Theriot, OD – 2 hrs Laser Workshop #1 (with Nate Lighthizer, OD) – 2 hrs Aesthetics Workshop #1 (with Selena McGee, OD) – 2 hrs Aesthetics Workshop #2 (with Selena McGee, OD) – 2 hrs Laser Workshop #2 (with Nate Lighthizer, OD) – 2 hrs Shams, Scams, or Gamechangers? You Decide! – 1 hr Lunch Symposium Panel, Marlo – 1 hr
Jan 2024	Presidents Council Moderator, Tempe, AZ “Leadership Lessons from History: Part XIV” “What to do Now to Prepare for Your Presidency” “Holding Effective Meetings” “Public Relations & Marketing”
Oct 2023	Iowa Optometric Association Convention, Iowa City, IA Lasers in Eyecare – 2 hrs Believe It or Not! Amazing Eye Tech, Astounding Therapies, & Pioneering Procedures-2hrs Hot News or Not News – 2 hrs
Oct 2023	Missouri Optometric Association CE Conference, Branson, MO Leading the Way: Conquering Personal and Professional Obstacles – 1 hr Regenerative Eye Care: Exploring Gene Therapy, Stem Cells, & More – 1 hr Believe It or Not! Amazing Eye Tech, Astounding Therapies, & Pioneering Procedures-2hrs
Sep 2023	Vermont Optometric Association CE Conference, Burlington, VT “Lasers in Eye Care” – 2 hrs “Lumps & Bumps” – 1 hr “Hot New or Not News” – 2 hrs
Sep 2023	GRT Summit II, Bar Harbor, ME “Hot News or Not News” – 2 hrs
Aug 2023	Southwest Florida Optometric Association Conference, Cape Coral, FL Lumps, Bumps, & Lid Procedures – 1 hr Strutting your Stuff: Modern Day Aesthetics for the Optometric Physician – 1 hr Lasers in Eye Care – 2 hrs Believe It or Not-Amazing Eye Tech, Astounding Therapies, & Pioneering Procedures-2 hrs
Jul 2023	ODs on Finance Technology & Innovation Summit (Virtual CE Webinar) Innovation from the Pipeline to the Frontline – 1 hr
Jul 2023	Northern Rockies Optometric Conference, Cody, WY Lasers in Eye Care - 2 hrs Modern Aesthetics for the Optometric Physician - 1hr The Future in Focus - 2 hrs Hot News or Not News? - 2 hrs
Jul 2023	Arkansas Optometric Association Board Retreat Presentation, Virtual – 1 hr “Personal Leadership Development & Running Effective Meetings”
Jun 2023	Presidents Council Moderator, Washington, DC “Leadership Lessons from History: Part XIII”
Apr 2023	Ontario Optometric Association, Toronto Believe It or Not: Amazing Eye Tech, Astounding Therapies, & Pioneering Procedures-2hrs The Future in Focus: Emerging Eye Care Treatments & Technologies – 2 hrs
Mar 2023	SECO International Educational Congress, Atlanta Panelist, OIS at SECO, Myopia Control & Presbyopia Therapies - ~1 hr Moderator, Hot Topics Breakfast: Presbyopia Management – 2 hrs Laser Workshop #1 (with Nate Lighthizer, OD) – 2 hrs Get Fired Up! Lasers in Glaucoma – 1 hr Laser Workshop #2 (with Nate Lighthizer, OD) – 2 hrs Lumps, Bumps, & Lid Procedures – 1 hr How to Incorporate a MedSpa into Your Practice (with Selena McGee, OD) – 2 hrs Hot News or Not News? – 2 hrs

Feb 2023	Heart of America Eye Care Congress, Kansas City, MO “Love It or List It” (2 hrs with co-presenter Julie Helmus) “A Review of What’s New & What’s Coming in Eye Care” (2 hrs) “The Cutting Edge of Eye Care” (1 hr) “Exploring the Frontiers of Eye Care” (1 hr)
Jan 2023	AOA Volunteer Meeting, St. Louis “New & Emerging Technologies”
Jan 2023	Presidents Council Moderator, Charleston, SC “Leadership Lessons from History: Part XII” “What to Do Now to Prepare for Your Presidency” “Robert’s Rules & Running an Effective Meeting” “New & Emerging Technologies”
Nov 2022	GRT Summit, Zion, UT “Lumps, Bumps, Lid Procedures” (1 hr) “Lasers in Eye Care” (1 hr) “Sight & Sound” (1 hr) “Believe It or Not: Amazing Eye Tech, Astounding Therapies, & Pioneering Procedures” (2 hrs) “Modern Day Aesthetics for the Optometric Physician” (2 hrs) “The Future in Focus – Emerging Eyecare Treatments & Technologies (2 hrs)
Oct 2022	Alberta Optometric Association Convention, Edmonton, Alberta, CA “The Future in Focus - Emerging Eyecare Treatments & Technologies” (2 hrs) “Modern Aesthetics for the Optometric Physician” (1hr) “Artificial Intelligence in Eyecare” (1 hr) “Artificial Intelligence in Eyecare” (1 hr)
Oct 2022	Southern College of Optometry Homecoming Education Conference, Memphis “Lasers in Eye Care” “Believe It or Not: Amazing Eye Tech, Astounding Therapies, & Pioneering Procedures”
Oct 2022	Southern College of Optometry 3 rd Year Practice Management Guest Lecture “The Cutting Edge of Eye Care”
Oct 2022	VSP SHiFT Conference, Scottsdale, AZ “The Cutting Edge of Eye Care”
Sep 2022	Rhode Island Optometric Association Conference “Lasers in Eye Care” “Lumps, Bumps, & Lid Procedures” “Modern Aesthetics for the Optometric Physician” “Believe It or Not: Amazing Eye Tech, Astounding Therapies, & Pioneering Procedures”
June 2022	Presidents Council Moderator, Chicago “Leadership Lessons from History: Part XI”
May 2022	Keynote Speech, Southern College of Optometry Class of 2022 Capstone Program, Memphis
Apr 2022	Arkansas Optometric Association, Virtual CE Webinars “Lumps, Bumps, & Lid Procedures” “Lasers in Eye Care”
Apr 2022	Presidents Council, Washington, DC – Event Moderator “Leadership Lessons from History: Part X”

RECENT JOURNAL & PROFESSIONAL ARTICLES PUBLISHED

April 2024	“Patient Access to Prescription Drugs,” <i>Optometric Management Vol. 59, Issue April 2024</i>
Dec 2023	“Equipping Your Office for Minor Surgical Procedures,” <i>Review of Optometry</i> , contributor
Oct 2023	“Virtual Staff: Is it Time to Make the Leap?”, <i>Optometry Times Oct. 2, 2023</i>
Aug 2023	“Nd:YAG Laser Capsulotomy: Efficacy and Outcomes Performed by Optometrists”, Contributing Author, <i>Optometry and Vision Science</i> ():10.1097/OPX.0000000000002057, August 18, 2023
June 2023	“A Funny Thing Happened at the Office: Part 2,” <i>Optometry Times, June 5, 2023</i>
Apr 2023	“Going Virtual with Visual Field Perimeters”, <i>Optometry Times, April 3, 2023</i>
Jan 2023	“Improve OCT Imaging Efficiency in Glaucoma”, <i>Optometric Management</i>
Jan 2023	“A Funny Thing Happened at the Office: Part 1”, <i>Optometry Times, Jan. 1, 2023</i>

Sep 2022	“Happy Accidents vs. Planning for Success – Part 2”, <i>Optometry Times</i>
July 2022	“Scope of Practice Series: Lasers”, <i>Review of Optometry</i> – contributing author
June 2022	“Happy Accidents vs. Planning for Success – Part 1”, <i>Optometry Times</i> , June 23, 2022
Apr 2022	“Three Practice Hacks for Success with Patients”, <i>Optometry Times</i> , April 27, 2022
Dec 2021	“5 Lessons I Learned from a Trip to the ER”, <i>Optometry Times</i> , Dec. 26, 2021
Oct 2021	“COVID Relief for ODs – Part 3,” <i>Optometry Times</i>
Sep 2021	“Practice Management Models for Improving Disease Management,” with Conni Koury, <i>Optometric Management</i> (publication pending)
August 2021	“Garnering Diabetic Patient Referrals,” <i>Optometric Management</i>
August 2021	“Lessons from the Practice: Connecting with Patients,” with Andrea Bonner, <i>Optometric Management</i>
August 2021	“Clinical Quandary: Up in Flames?” <i>Review of Optometry</i>
July 2021	“OCT Interpretation for Glaucoma—Don’t Get Fooled: Learn how to obtain and interpret accurate, reliable ophthalmic images,” with Julia Reimold, OD; <i>Review of Optometry</i>
June 2021	“You’re Fired! – Parting Ways with Staff,” <i>Optometry Times</i>
Mar 2021	“Consider an Ounce of Prevention - How my experience with hurricanes and floods in Louisiana may help prepare you,” <i>Optometric Management</i>
Apr 2021	“Should I Get The COVID-19 Vaccine (& Should I Require My Staff to)?,” <i>Optometry Times</i>
Jan 2021	“COVID Relief for ODs – Part 2,” <i>Optometry Times</i>

RECENT POSTER PRESENTATIONS

2024	Co-Author, “An Artificial Tear vs. a Nutritional Supplement: Is There a Clear Winner for Dry Eye?”, SECO International, Lead Author: Coralie Millien, O.D.
2023	Co-Author, “Transcranial Doppler Ultrasound: Clinical Applications in Evaluation and Management of Ocular Disease”, SECO International, Lead Author: Onyale Warnock, O.D.
2022	Co-Author, “Cut This Off! Optometric Management of Lid Lesions”, SECO International, Lead Author: Owen Files, O.D.
2021	Co-Author, “The Effect of Posterior Capsular Opacification and Other Confounders on OCT Image Quality, Scan Accuracy, and Management of Patient Care”, Heart of America Eye Care Congress, Lead Author: Julia Reimold, O.D.
2020	Co-Author, “Confounding Findings in a Patient with PTEN Gene Mutation”, SECO International, Lead Author: Blair Holden, O.D.
2020	Contributing Author, “Severe Episodic Chemosis as a Presenting Sign of Suspected Rheumatologic Disease,” Heart of America Congress, Lead Author: Blair Holden, OD