

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Born in Tupelo, Mississippi, January 5, 1958. In 1963 I was transported in a body cast and was raised in the small town of Smithfield, NC as the youngest of four. I was active in Boy Scouts, received the rank of Eagle and worked five summers at the Tuscarora Scout Reservation. I graduated from Smithfield-Selma High School in 1976, and graduated from NCSU in 1981 with a B.S. in Zoology. During my undergraduate program I was on the Varsity Fencing Team. I walked on as a novice my sophomore year and by my senior year qualified for and competed in the NCAAs. In 1981, I became the Assistant Fencing Coach at NCSU and the following two years assumed the head Coach's position.

In the summer of 1982 I became an orthodontic lab technician with Henry S. Zaytoun, Sr., D.D.S., M.S.O. This experience included patient care, appliance research, computer diagnosis, and the multiple phases of conducting a professional practice.

In 1984 I began my dental school career and paid my way doing research, which gave me many advantages from learning and using some of the newest materials, Instron testing and SEM for examining these materials, going to international meetings and observing what was on the dental horizon.

I worked two years as an associate in private practice in Raleigh, NC. I have been in solo private practice for nearly 30 years. I have been active with both local and national dental societies, routinely attending meetings and sessions. I started a satellite practice on the island of Ocracoke, NC where I operated for three years.

In 1995 I became a Board Member of The International Association of Student Clinician's of the ADA (SCADA); I also attended my first AACD meeting and began focusing on the Accreditation process. I became an Accredited Member of the AACD in 2001. In 2005 I became an Accreditation Examiner and in 2006 a Board Member of the ABCD and more recently I joined the AACD's Board of Directors in 2014 and was reelected in 2016, where I have learned an immense amount from my colleagues and thoroughly enjoyed working with some wonderful individuals. I have worked with The Policies, Web Design, International Education, PEC, BFC, and ABCED Incorporation Committees.

My hobbies include Cycling (cyclo-cross, road racing, time trials and randonneuring) Travel; Research; Camping-Hiking; Cooking.

I enjoy my profession and consider myself a diplomat for excellence in dentistry. I am married to a wonderful person - Kimberly, and we have a 21 year old son and a 32 year old step-daughter with 2 grandchildren Wesley and Hannah-Kate (6&4).