



Welcome

It has been yet another busy year and I am pleased to report lots of progress on Conference initiatives. The development of a new strategic plan was adopted by the Board of Directors after the review of survey submissions by Conference members. We advanced our commitment of secure, efficient transmission of documents electronically between our office and our member boards & ABFSE schools. The Model Practice Act underwent a full review and we began the lengthy task analysis project. We also welcomed our 56<sup>th</sup> member, the province of Nova Scotia.

It has truly been an honor to serve as President of this organization since July, 2015. I now have an even greater insight into Conference activities and all the work that goes on behind the scenes. It is very gratifying to witness all the people who volunteer their time and effort in support of The Conference in a variety of different ways. The Exam Committee, item writers and reviewers work diligently through long days to keep our examination program running at the highest level. Ad hoc committees such as The Model Practice Act Review Committee have been instrumental in fulfilling our mission to be the premier source for regulatory support to our membership. We are so grateful to have so many of you share your time and talents with us on these types of projects.

A special thank you to our membership that understands our organization is only as good as the participation of its members. To my fellow Board of Directors members, a wholehearted thank you for your efforts during what continues to be unprecedented times for this organization. And last but not least, we all rely on the support of Dalene and her great staff in Fayetteville, Arkansas, who continue to work tirelessly in support of The Conference throughout the year.

On behalf of The Conference Board of Directors, I am pleased to welcome you to the 113th Annual Meeting of The Conference as we “shoot for a regulatory hole in one” in Hilton Head. We hope you will once again find our lineup of presenters interesting and enlightening. I encourage you to join in the discussions and make the most of our opportunity to exchange ideas and collaborate with each other during our time together.

Sincerely,

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