

**ARTICLE 56-01  
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1. **History and function.** The 1903 legislative assembly passed legislation regulating the practice of optometry, codified as North Dakota Century Code chapter 43-13. This chapter establishes a seven-member board of optometry appointed by the governor. The board regulates the profession of optometry in the state.
2. **Board membership.** The board consists of seven members appointed by the governor. Five members are resident registered optometrists and have established optometric practices in the state. Members of the board serve five-year terms.
3. **Officers.** The board annually shall elect from its number a president and a secretary. The president shall preside at all meetings of the board. The secretary shall preside in the absence of the president.
4. **Inquiries.** Inquiries regarding the board and any submissions to the board or any officers of the board shall be submitted to the board administrator:

Alan J. King, OP  
Board Administrator  
State Board of Optometry  
45 West Eighth Street  
Dickinson, ND 58601

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