



THE REGISTERED FORESTER

Summer 2020

2021 License Renewals

All registered forester licenses are due to expire on September 30, 2020, unless renewed by that time. Renewal notices for the 2021 renewal period will be mailed by the Board's office on or before July 1, 2020. The renewal fee is \$130.00 for all licensees. Those who renew their licenses between October 1 and December 31 must pay \$230.00 (renewal fee + \$100.00 late fee). The online renewal application and printable form will be made available at <http://asbrf.alabama.gov/renewalform.htm> beginning July 1. If you do not have access to the Internet, please call the Board's office at (334) 240-9301 to

request a copy of the renewal form.

Important: (Please DO NOT attempt to renew any license prior to JULY 1.)

If renewing online, you will have the opportunity to print your RF pocket card this year.

Those whose licenses have expired for non-renewal are prohibited from identifying themselves as registered foresters and practicing professional forestry. The Board will revoke the license of any licensee who fails to renew annually by December 31.

Board Policy Regarding CFE's during CO-VID 19

We have had several ask about continuing education for the upcoming FY 2021 Registered Foresters License Renewal. We have contacted the Board's attorney; review of the governor's proclamation gives us no leeway to modify the required number of CFE's. Please know the board understands the situation and is sympathetic, however, they do not have the liberty to wave the required annual number of CFE's as they are bound by law.

Section 34-12-8 Licenses - Expiration; renewal.

(a) Licenses shall expire on the 30th day of September next following their issuance or renewal and shall become invalid on that date unless renewed. The secretary of the board shall notify, at his or her last registered address, every person registered under this chapter of the date of the expiration of his or her license and the amount of the

fee that shall be required for its renewal for one year. The notice shall be mailed three months in advance of the date of the expiration of the licenses. Two subsequent monthly notices may be mailed, the second by certified mail, return receipt requested. The annual renewal fee for licenses shall be established annually by the board and shall not exceed two hundred dollars (\$200). Renewal of licenses for the following year may be affected at any time during the three months preceding September 30 of the year in which the license has been issued or renewed by the payment of the renewal fee so fixed by this chapter. Licensees who renew their licenses between September 30 and December 31 of any year renewal is due shall pay a late renewal fee set by the board not to exceed an amount equal to twice the annual renewal fee. The board shall make an exception to the foregoing renewal provision in the case of a person who

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Remembering Glenn Berry

January 1, 1948 – December 19, 2019

Glenn Berry, 1976 alum of the Auburn University School of Forestry, was a familiar face in Alabama forestry for the past 43 years. Sadly, he passed away after an extended illness on December 19, 2019. Glenn retired from the Alabama Forestry Commission in 1998 after 20 years of service. During his career, he worked in several areas for the commission but spent most of his career as County Forester in Cleburne County. After retirement, he founded Glenn Berry Forestry Consulting Services. This allowed Glenn to do what he loved—help landowners manage their forests. His wife recalls that he couldn't wait to leave the hospital to check on controlled burns or tree planting schedules. As an avid outdoorsman who loved to duck hunt and fish, he appreciated the value of the forests in every aspect of his life. When pressed about how many trees he had been responsible for planting through his career, he would say hundreds of thousands for sure. Like the passage from Leviticus that says: "When you shall come to the land you shall plant trees", these words are a fitting tribute to his life's work.

Glenn is survived by Anna, his wife of 40 years; son, Gabriel Shelnut; daughter-in-law, Jenny; granddaughter, Ripley; and his beloved American Water Spaniel, Sally.

I knew Glenn from way back when he was the Cleburne County Forester and eventually got the opportunity to work with him starting in 1997 with the first AFC team doing FIA training & plots. Those were fun days as we had plenty of freedom to set our schedules and get the work done as needed. At times the year-round field work knocking out FIA plots was tough, but we were lucky to see beautiful and sometimes rugged terrain. Glenn always had a cheerful word and thoughtful insights when we got together for group meetings.

In retirement, he was kind enough to mentor me in the ways of being a consulting forester. Many a time we worked together on timber sales, cruising tracts and working up the sales prospectus. He was a whiz at using a computer to grind the numbers for the sale volumes and values. I always appreciated that Glenn was

eager to share his knowledge and strived to help landowners get the job done right.

As the years passed, life rolled on and regrettably we lost touch with each other and it was a shock to hear of his death in December of last year. Thanks for the memories Glenn.

Brian Bradley, RF 812

Owner

Chimney Rock Forestry



Sorry to hear about Glenn. Glenn and his brother Tony and I commuted together to Auburn from Notasulga in '73 and '74. It was always a fun ride with those two. Glenn and I had several classes together and were roommates' summer of '76. I will always remember his big smile and his wittiness. He will be missed.

Friend and Forester

Larry Ford, RF 1508

Remembering Glenn Berry:

I worked with Glenn during his tenure with the AFC. And during his final years with the AFC Glenn was one of the original Forest Inventory Analysis (FIA) foresters. I worked with Glenn closely during these final years and found him to be a joy to know and work alongside. Glenn help lay the foundation for the FIA in Alabama, a project the U.S. Forest Service handed over to the AFC in 1996 and the state survey crews to this day continue that very important work. Glenn was one of the first to aid in that transition. He was a very good professional forester.

Tim Albritton, RF 1663

USDA -NRCS State Staff Forester

Board Chair 2019-2020

Remembering Pamela Sears Arbogast

1947 – 2019

Pamela Brown Sears Arbogast began her long career with the Alabama Forestry Commission in 1969. Beginning in 1975, she became the voice and public face of the Alabama State Board of Registration for Foresters in Montgomery for many years. Only the second person to serve the Board as Executive Assistant since its inception, Pam also worked with Assistant State Forester Charles Pigg. She represented the Board at local and regional events, becoming widely recognized as the 'expert' on Board affairs inside and outside the Boardroom. She was the first point of reference for a long succession of Boards, with amazing recall of past Board actions, administrative rules, the law, and Board precedents. She was the voice delivering the news, good or bad, to examinees and was always sympathetic and helpful to foresters seeking information on continuing education, renewals, violations, and numerous other Board matters. Pam was the impetus behind many changes and improvements in the Board's function, including the Board's website, on-line renewals, and an electronic online roster.

Pam retired from the Board on June 30, 2006. She and her husband, Paul, enjoyed quality time with children and grandchild-

dren, traveling, and spending time with good friends. She was always the life of every party. She was also passionate about her family and all animals!

A celebration of Pam's life was held on January 12, 2020, on the beach at Santa Rosa Beach, Florida, followed by a toast and further celebration at Shunk Gulley Oyster Bar. She

is survived by her son Robert; daughter, Shea; one grandson and one granddaughter.



Thank you for the information. I do remember Pam Sears (the name we called her at the time she was working at the State Office) and I am sorry to hear the unfortunate news. I wish her family well during this time of sorrow.

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Dana Stone
Forest Health Coordinator
Alabama Forestry Commission

Pam was always helpful, never failed to return a call. Condolences to her family and friends.
Alex Boldog, RF1562
Consultant

While I did not know Pam that well, I was always impressed by her professionalism and helpfulness. During the time that her career and mine overlapped, I was a county forester for the Alabama Forestry Commission. Therefore, as a field forester for the commission I didn't have the opportunity to know her closely but I can tell you that anytime you had a question or weren't sure about your continuing education status, she would always get back in touch with you and help you through your concern.

She was a true foundation to the Alabama State Board of Registration for Foresters for her thirty-seven years there!

Dan Jackson
Retired Assistant State Forester
Alabama Forestry Commission

Although I didn't have a lot of direct contact with Pam over the years, I will always have a fond feeling in my heart for her because of a kindness she showed me at the beginning of my career. Many foresters probably remember the days when you took the registration exam AFTER you'd gotten those 2 years of experience and thus after you had been out of college for long enough to have forgotten how to take tests. It was a nerve-racking experience and the wait for scores was agonizing.

I was working as a waitress after a stint in the Peace Corps when I took the exam. I clearly recall opening the test booklet, looking through all the questions and feeling like an idiot when I didn't know a single answer off the top of my head. While I did end up answering all the questions and passing the exam, it was a humbling experience. Shortly after that, I was at a meeting to network (look for a job) and met Pam. She recognized my name and her words of encouragement to me boosted my confidence at a time when I really needed it. I will always be thankful for her taking the time to speak those kind words that launched this career of now 34-years-and-counting in a field I love.

You just never know the impact your words can have, do you?

Katie Wiswall, RF
Urban & Community Forestry Partnership Coordinator
Alabama Forestry Commission

I remember Pam in many ways. First, she was a close friend. When I list my inner circle, she was always a member. She always brought a positive attitude to work and was a friend to everyone. She knew how to interact with peers and be accepted as an equal. There were no worries about modern day concerns of personnel fears. She could enjoy a "blonde joke", give as well as take

and blend in with all friends. She could hold her own and still be treated with respect. There was a period when she was single and living on the lake. While I was fishing, I went into that slew and placed a sign on her pier. It read, "please don't fish here on Thursday afternoons because I sunbathe nude." I went back on Thursday and the fish were not biting but the slew was full of boats. I never told Pam I placed the sign.

There was a period when she worked for the AFC, was also secretary for Asst. State Forester Charles Pigg and served as Office Manager for the ASBREF. For several years during that period, Mr. Pigg also served on the "Board". She had status for her positions and earned respect for each. Each responsibility would have been a full-time job for most people. She not only managed but excelled. Funding eventually allowed her to become the full-time office manager for the "Board". Having her physically present in the AFC building was of great value because of her extensive knowledge of the *Board*, the regulations and testing procedures. She was the "go to person!" While I was on the *Board*, it came time to elect a Chairman for the next year. There were others much more qualified than I and I wanted one of them to serve. Each of them described a busy schedule and wanted someone physically close to the Board Hdqrs. Since I met that criteria, they asked me to serve. I would not have accepted except for one reason. I knew Pam would tell me what to do, do it for me and give me the credit. She did and I called her the shadow Chairman.

If she was having a problem in life, she did not bring it to work. If it came up, it was because concerned friends wanted to help. Likewise, Pam was always there with a kind word or helping hand without a request.

One of my favorite stories about Pam, I also described in my comments in a tribute to Mr. Pigg. Mr. Pigg was an Officer in the AL Army National Guard. You guessed it; she also did a few administrative tasks to help him with his military career. He and some other officers were going to a convention and Mr. Pigg asked Pam to arrange hotel accommodations. Upon receiving the names, she knew there would be a delicate challenge. She called the hotel and stated she needed to make reservations for three individuals who were attending the ARNG conference. She followed by stating, "this is not a prank call so please do not hang up on me." The reservations are for **Pigg, Bugg** and **Turnipseed**. She loved to tell that story.

During Pam's illness, there was a friend who didn't just visit but literal spent nights with her. Others kept watch on an empty house, including minor maintenance, when she was no longer able to live there. The care, effort and love were never requested. It was always there and still existing.

Douglas A. Smith, retired
Alabama Forestry Comm.
Previously Ch. ASBREF #504

Registered Forester Eligibility List

Logan Gregory Bailey	James Clayton Glass	Wilson Barnes Lowe	David C. West
John N. Bryan	Jack Buster Hinton	Kyle Aaron Malone	Nathan James Williams
Harold N. Cooley	Thomas Bryant Jernigan	Geoffrey Morton McGovern	Mark Anthony Woods
James A. Dressler	Caleb Killough	Grant Stearnes Ruthland	John B. Young
Zachary Shane Dunning	Truett Wood Lawrence	Justin Davenport Waters	Ryan K. Young

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Governor Ivey Appoints New Board Member:

Alan P. Bruce, R.F.
Birmingham, Alabama
Alabama Board of Registration
for Foresters
Board Member Biography
May 19, 2020

Where I grew up, six mornings per week, at 5:30 AM a ship's steam whistle atop the sawmill's boiler room would sound for five minutes to wake everyone up for a new day. A new day to cut and deliver pine logs to the sawmill in my little town of Bellamy, Alabama. A new day to saw, dry, plane and deliver lumber to customers that sustained our way of life. A new day for me to see a fully integrated forest products enterprise at work.

Evon F. Allison founded Allison Lumber Company in 1900 and built the town of Bellamy adjacent to the pine flatwoods of Sumter County, Alabama. At that time, the conservation movement and professional forestry were in their infancy. Recognized as a pioneer of forest conservation in Alabama, Allison was committed to conducting sustainable forest management and wildlife conservation on his timberlands. Allison built the first fire tower in Alabama on the advice of early professional foresters to protect the natural regeneration on company and neighbor timberlands. I experienced this conservation ethic and culture growing up in Bellamy.

My grandfather and father were professional foresters, so I grew up around the profession during my childhood. Both passed away before I came of age. I lost my personal connection with forestry and it was not until I was old enough to work summer jobs in the woods that I started feeling the call to pursue forestry as a career. After graduating from Auburn in 1978, I was recruited back to Butler, Alabama by American Can Company, the pulp and paper company that had acquired the sawmill and timberlands where I grew up. I started my career working with private landowners interested in doing modern forest management on their properties.

At American Can Company professional forester mentors helped me learn about forestry and professional practitioner responsibilities. American Can promoted professionalism and rewarded young foresters with a pay increase for becoming a Registered Forester. I pursued registration in Alabama and Mississippi as soon as I was eligible. It was a great time to be a young forester learning from experienced peers.

American Can sold its Naheola pulp and paper mill to James River Corporation in 1982. I began a wood procurement career at James River along with five other

foresters from American Can. In 1987, James River purchased the remaining timberlands once owned by American Can Company, and I was promoted to Timberlands



Manager, with oversight of 300,000 acres of company and private timberlands. I worked with a team of great professional foresters, many of whom went on to become leaders in our profession.

Managing timberland that I was connected to growing up brought a passion for the forestry heritage I knew existed with the properties. It deepened my convictions to promote and educate people on sustainable forestry and wildlife conservation. We carved out a demonstration forest near Bellamy where E.F. Allison had successfully conducted his first tree planting 50 years earlier. Our professional foresters conducted tours with schools, universities, landowners and other groups wanting to learn about forestry.

In 1997, James River sold its remaining timberlands to the Hancock Natural Resource Group. Afterwards I became the Procurement Manager for the Naheola pulp and paper mill operations. In 2000, I ended my 22-year career in my home environs. I moved to Birmingham to work for the Hancock Natural Resource Group, in a property management subsidiary called Cahaba Forest Management. Cahaba started by managing 400,000 acres of the former Kimberly Clark Corporation near Childersburg. Within a few years Cahaba Forest Management changed to Hancock Forest Management, managing timberland across North America and New Zealand.

Since 2016 I have served as Atlantic Division General Manager for Hancock Forest Management. This job encompasses roughly 1.1 million forest acres from Mississippi to Virginia to the Great Lakes region. The forest management is diverse ranging from southern pine in the South to black cherry stands of the Allegheny Plateau to the hard maples and northern hardwoods in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and the red pine and jack pine stands in Northwestern Wisconsin. The thing that remains the same are the 22 foresters that manage these properties and their passion for professionally managing them to the best of their skills.

This year will mark 39 years of marriage to my lovely wife, Virginia. My son and daughter are both well into their young

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New Registered Foresters

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<p>Cook, William Thomas #2329 <i>Utility Arborist</i> Bus.: ArborMetrics Solutions 505 Park Dunn Rd. Lot 7 Parrish, AL 35580 Phone: 205-388-5615 Email: wcook5@arbormetrics.com</p>	<p>Dennis, Eric Michael #2332 <i>General Mgr.</i> Bus.: Straight Fork Forest Mgt. PO Box 502 Huntsville, TN 37756 Phone: 423-663-9776 Email: edennis@straightfork.com</p>	<p>Campbell, Bert McNair IV #2335 <i>Forester I</i> Bus.: American Forest Mgt. 4962 Old Spanish Trail Rd Marianna, FL 32446 Phone: 850-526-5110 Email: mac.campbell@afmforest.com</p>	
<p>Chilcutt, Roger Goodloe #2330 <i>Forester</i> Bus.: Resource Mgt. Service, LLC 1834 Glywood Dr. Prattville, Al 36066 Phone: 334-380-5107 Email: gchilcutt@resourcemgt.com</p>	<p>McGovern, Geoffrey Morton #2333 <i>Procurement Forester</i> Bus.: Cooper Marine and Timberlands Corp. PO Box 669 Creola, Al 36525 Phone: 251-442-0980 Email: mac.mcgovern@coopertsmith.com</p>	<p>Milstead, James Aaron #2336 <i>Forester</i> Bus.: Rayonier 6830 Floyd James Rd. Manor, GA 31550 Phone: 912-722-3170 Email: aaron.milstead@rayonier.com</p>	

New Reciprocity Foresters

<p>Dismukes, Garrett Clark MS2637 <i>Appraiser</i> Bus.: Mississippi Land Bank 972 Hwy. 12E Starkville, MS 39759 Phone: 662-323-8150 Email: Garrett.Dismukes@msslndbank.com</p>	<p>South, Benjamin Sean MS2049 <i>Forester</i> Bus.: F&W Forestry Services 3100 Hwy 72 W. Corinth, MS 38834 Phone: 662-415-5035 Email: bsouth@fwforestry.com</p>	<p>Stone, William Doug MS2125 <i>Owner</i> Bus.: Tombigbee Forestry MGT. 4954 Crawfird Rd Starkville, MS 39759 Phone: 662-361-8733 Email: tombigbeeoforestry@services@gmail.com</p>	
<p>Walley, James A. MS0218 <i>President</i> Bus.: Walley Forestry Consultants, Inc. PO Box 621 Ellisville, MS 39437 Phone: 601-477-3014 Email: jim@walleyforestry.com</p>			

professional and young family lives. We have a grandson, Campbell, who just turned 4 this year and keeps us all busy. We also are excited to welcome a granddaughter, Lucy Elizabeth, in the fall of this year.

While I am nearing retirement from my job, I look forward to spending more time with family and friends. I also plan to stay active in forestry. Serving on the Alabama Board of Registration for Foresters is an opportunity to continue to live my passion for our profession.

Alan P. Bruce, R.F.

Board Fees for 2021

Application Fee	\$60.00
Reinstatement Application Fee <small>(Paid in addition to the applicable renewal fee)</small>	\$150.00
Reciprocity Application Fees <small>(Initial Application)</small>	Same as charged for Alabama Applicants in the reciprocal state
Re-Examination Fee	\$100.00
Renewal Fees	
All Licensees	\$130.00
Late Penalty <small>(Paid in addition to the applicable renewal fee)</small>	\$100.00
License Replacement Fee (Certificate)	\$50.00
Printed Roster	\$10.00
Registered Forester Window Decal (Auto)	\$1.00
Returned Check Fee	\$30.00

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renewal is due shall have his or her license revoked.
(b) The state board shall adopt a program of continuing education for its licensees not later than October 1, 1991, and after that date no licensee shall have his or her active license renewed unless, in addition to any other requirements of this chapter, the minimum continuing annual education requirements are met. It is further provided that the continuing education program herein required shall not apply to any licensee who is 65 years of age or older and shall not include testing or examination of the licensees in any manner.

(Acts 1957, No. 533, p. 750, Â§16; Acts 1969, No. 1051, p. 1965, Â§8; Acts 1977, No. 756, p. 1294, Â§1; Acts 1986, No. 86-117, p. 138, Â§3; Acts 1990, No. 90-105, p. 124, Â§3; Acts 1994, No. 94-130, p. 163, Â§3; Act 98-145, p. 223, Â§3; Act 2006-150, p.221, Â§3.)

However, there are several on-line opportunities to obtain forestry CFE's.

Southern Regional Extension Forestry (SREF): has on demand and upcoming webinars. <http://www.forestrywebinars.net/>

http://www.forestrywebinars.net/previous-webinars/webinarSearch?SearchableText=&branding=&Subject=&getListOfCEUsNotExpired3=Georgia+Master+Timber+Harvester++Continuing+Logger+Ed.+%28GaMTH+CLE%29&getWebHost=portal_type=Webinar&sort_on=title_or_id&sort_order=ascending&formSubmitted=1&review_state=published

Alabama Cooperative Extension Service:

<https://www.facebook.com/AcesForestryWildlifeNaturalResources>

The Alabama Forestry Association:

<https://www.alaforestry.org/page/ContinuingEducationOnline>

Southern Fire Exchange

<https://southernfireexchange.org/calendars/category/webinars/>

(Note: no CFE's are available for archived webinars.)

The Society of American Foresters:

<https://learn.eforester.org/>

The Alabama Cooperative Extension Services has said as soon as they are able, they will hold as many workshops as they can, with the possibility of beginning the first of July.

Please take a minute to review your previous renewal to see if you may have carry-over hours.

Please be proactive in searching and watching available on-line webinars.

We are aware of this issue and are working with our partners to get you as much information as is available. On-line webinars are currently all we have to offer.

If you know of other on-line opportunities or upcoming workshops, please let us know. We are not always made aware of workshops, nor are we asked to award CFE's.

Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.