

## **Karen Moshoures**

Professionally, Karen has been a licensed optician in NC since 1989, obtaining the privilege to sit for the examination through the apprenticeship program. She was an active Practice Management Consultant for ten years and still lectures in the eye health industry in the Southeast. She was honored to organize and coordinate the establishment of the first American Indian Optometric Eye Clinic for the Shawnee Tribe in Oklahoma.

Karen has served as President of the Optometric Spouses of NC and Chairman of the NC Optometric Society Scholarship Board. She is a Fellow of the National Association of Opticians and a member of the NC Opticians Association.

She is the Office Manager for 3 optometric offices, 5 optometrists and 'mother' to 41 staff members. She practices opticianry and has been *in practice* with her husband 'Dr. Chris' for 40 years in Shallotte, Southport and Calabash – providing her a unique (and effective) window into both the opticianry and optometry professions.

Karen firmly believes that the profession she chose as a life-long career should be held to the very highest of standards.

In her community, she has served as President of the Long Bay Garden Club, Past Executive Director of the South Brunswick Islands Chamber of Commerce, Past President of the Calabash Merchants Association and representative for the NC Board of Travel and Tourism. Keeping a busy lifestyle, Karen currently hosts "The Coastal Kitchen", a local TV cooking show.

She was first appointed by Governor Cooper to fill an unexpired Board term, then appointed July 24, 2018 to her first full 3-year term that expires June 30, 2021.