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# Arkansas

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**Registration Status:** Practice Regulation

Effective Date: July 1, 1988

Exemptions: Teaching and non-public research, state and federal geologists. However, all government entities must contract with a registered geologist or an Arkansas firm with a registered geologist.

ASBOG® Membership: Member Board

Update: The Board is now part of the Arkansas Geological Survey.

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**Board Composition:** State Geologist (permanent member) and five geologists each representing one of the following areas of government, academic, company, consultant and at-large, and one public member

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**Requirements:**

Education: Have graduated from an accredited college or university with either a major in geology, engineering geology, geological engineering or an earth science-related major that has been approved by the State Board of Registration for Professional Geologists. Such a degree will have to consist of the appropriate number of hours of geologic courses that would normally constitute a geology degree and will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Experience: At least seven years, three of which include responsible charge, under professional geologist, supervision. A maximum of two years undergraduate and two years for graduate study can be substituted to a maximum of four years.

Examination: ASBOG®

First ASBOG® Exam: April 1997

Continuing Education: None

Grandfathering: Ended May 1, 1989

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**Cooperative Licensure - (Comity/Reciprocity):** Agreement with Mississippi and Texas

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**Registrant Count:** PGs: 700

GITs: 9

**Information Updated:** November 1, 2015

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