Arkansas

**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 Department of Labor and Licensing.

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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, Texas and Louisiana

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**Registrant Count:**

- **PGs:** 553
- **GITs:** 19

**Information Updated:** October 1, 2020