

# New York State Association of Endodontics



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The New York State Association of Endodontists was conceived in 1975. Instrumental in the formation of the NYSAE were Drs. Ralph Vescio, Ted Lerner, Eugene Schlagel, Ernest Cinotti and Robert Rubel. Questions, important to the interest of specialty groups, were being asked by the profession, and by city, state and federal agencies. The dream was to form an organization, unlike others in Dentistry, to care for the interests of the endodontists in New York State and so, the organization become a reality. Dr. Robert Rubel, President of the Tri-State Association of Endodontists and Dr. Ernest Cinotti, President of the Upstate Endodontic Society, along with Vescio and Lerner were instrumental in writing the Constitution and By-Laws. The preamble specifically identified the Association as a special interest organization, limited to identifiable endodontists, whose sole goal was the advancement of the political and economical interests of practicing endodontists of New York State and not to provide an educational forum.

The concept was carried to fruition with the incorporation of the organization and the issuance of charter member certificates to Drs. Ralph Vescio, Gene Schlagel, Ted Lerner, Morris Auerbach, Howard Fine, Roger Czarnecki, Bruce Seidberg, Ben Alibrandi, Bob Rubel and Ernest Cinotti, Norman Roland, Stanley Kaplan, ~~and~~ Robert Gianuzzi, *and Joseph Panebianco.*

Dr. Ralph Vescio was elected the first President and Dr. Ted Lerner the first Secretary-Treasurer, and both served from 1975 through 1978. In 1978 Dr. Rubel was elected President and Norman Roland, Secretary-Treasurer. Roland continued in that office through 1987, and during that time started a Newsletter to communicate to the membership. The President changed hands every two years. Rubel was followed by Drs. Ernest Cinotti ('79-'81), Morton Brenner ('81-'83), Roger Czarnecki ('83-'85), Gary Gross ('85-'87), Howard Fine ('87-'89), Gene Schlagel ('89-'91) and Bruce Seidberg ('91-'93). Dr. Stanley Einbender will be installed as the tenth President in December 1993. The executive committee was expanded in 1991 to four line officers. The Board of Directors comprises of one Endodontist representing every district of DSSNY.

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In 1982, Dr. Don Arens, President-elect of the AAE, having heard of the revolution and discontent of the endodontists in NYS, asked for and received an invitation to attend a meeting of the organization scheduled in Rochester, New York. In a free ranging discussion which did not break up until the wee hours of the morning, the executive committee of the NYSAE detailed the manner in which the membership felt let down by the AAE. To Dr. Arens's credit, an immediate and direct result of that meeting was the reorganization of the AAE into Trustee Districts and the President of the NYSAE, *Dr. Roger Garrone*, ascended to the AAE Board of Directors as a representative of the Trustee District II. In 1987, the Constitution and By-Laws were revised to meld uniformly with that of the AAE.

Communication became more important for strength of the organization, and Drs. Bruce Seidberg, Ben Alibrandi and Howard Fine accepted the challenge to become Tri-Editors and further develop a Newsletter in a format containing information pertinent to the practice of the specialty in NYS. It was controversial because it also addressed the concerns of the membership about relations with the AAE. Today, the publication is one of the mainstays of District II; Dr. Harmon Katz from New Jersey has joined the Editors.

The NYSAE addresses events that impact the economic viability of endodontic practices, meets with the endodontic educators in the State and participates in academic endeavors, investigates various claims against endodontists, possesses a seat on the Board of Governors of the Dental Society of the State of New York (currently held by Dr. Bruce Seidberg), and addresses the issues of licensure by credentials, endodontics in the hospital GPR's and post doctoral endodontic programs within the State. The Annual meeting is highlighted with a visitation of the President-elect of the AAE.

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