

2022 GLAO Distinguished Service Award to be presented to Dr. Phillip J. Beckwith

The GLAO Distinguished Service Award recognizes a GLAO member who has served the Association in various capacities through the years in an exemplary manner. The Great Lakes Association of Orthodontists is proud to present this year's award to **Dr. Phillip J. Beckwith** of Dublin, OH. This award is presented in recognition and grateful appreciation for his contributions - both to the GLAO as an organization, and to the orthodontic profession in general. His efforts are deeply appreciated by his GLAO friends and colleagues. **This award will be presented to Dr. Beckwith during the GLAO Member/Business Meeting at the GLAO Annual Session on Friday, September 16, 4:00-5:00pm at the Hilton Cleveland Downtown.** Please plan to join us in recognizing Dr. Beckwith and his contributions to the GLAO and the orthodontic profession!

Dr. Phil Beckwith grew up in central Ohio. He received his B.S. degree from Miami University and received his D.D.S. degree from The Ohio State University. After serving in the United States Air Force, he returned to Ohio State and received his M.S. degree and Certificate in Orthodontics. His Master's thesis was published in the Angle Orthodontist. He maintained a private orthodontic practice from 1978 until 2018. He continues to practice occasionally as locum tenens. Dr. Beckwith served on the Ohio State Dental Board, and is still active in CDCA, which administers the exam for licensure in nearly all states. He is past president of the Ohio Association of Orthodontists and the Ohio State Orthodontic Alumni Association. He is also past president of the GLAO, where he has served as Ohio Director, delegate to the AAO House of Delegates, representative to the Council on Governmental Affairs (COGA) and representative to AAOPAC and served as chair of both councils. In his spare time, he enjoys golf, riding his bike, fishing, building guitars and model ships, cooking and reading.