

Dr. Ron Melton | OD, FAAO

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Dr. Ron Melton and Dr. Randall Thomas are both North Carolina natives. They completed their training at the Pennsylvania College of Optometry in 1981. They have attended the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology Course in "Ophthalmic Pathology for Ophthalmologists." Both were members of the Student Optometric Service to Haiti team in 1981. They have successfully completed the National Board Examination in Optometry and the International Association of Boards of Examiners in Optometry Examination on "Treatment and Management of Ocular Disease."

They have been honoured as the "Glaucoma Educators of the Year" by the American Academy of Optometry. The William C. Ezell Award "For the Best Article Based upon a Lecture Given at the Southern Congress of Optometry" was presented to them by the Southern Council of Optometrists. They are Fellows in the American Academy of Optometry. Both served as consultants to the Council on Clinical Optometric Care and the Council on Optometric Education of the American Optometric Association. They have been consultants in the areas of pathology and ocular pharmacology to the International Board of Examiners in Optometry. Both Drs. Melton and Thomas are members of the adjunct faculty at the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, Pacific University College of Optometry and State University of New York College of Optometry.

They have lectured throughout Canada, the United States and internationally on the topics of ocular differential diagnosis and medical management of the eye diseases. Together they have authored many articles in the optometric literature, including the annual "Clinical Guide to Ophthalmic Drugs" in Review of Optometry. Drs. Melton and Thomas are full-time clinicians delivering primary and secondary eye care.



Dr. Ron Melton served as a Captain in the U.S. Army as a clinical Optometrist at Hawley Army Hospital in Indianapolis, Indiana from 1981 to 1984.

He is currently in a group practice in Charlotte, North Carolina where he has staff privileges at Presbyterian Hospital. He is an adjunct faculty member of the Indiana University School of Optometry.

Dr. Melton is married with two daughters and one son.



Dr. Randall Thomas served as a Captain in the U.S. Air Force as a clinical Optometrist at Bolling Air Force Base in Washington, D.C. from 1981 to 1984. Dr. Thomas is in a group practice in Concord, North Carolina and serves as the Ophthalmic Drug Consultant for the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee of North Carolina Blue Cross and Blue Shield. He is on the hospital staff at Northeast Medical Center, where he serves as the Ophthalmic Consultant to the Diabetes Management Committee, and actively teaches on the Cabarrus Family Medicine Residency Faculty.

Dr. Thomas is married with two daughters.