

## **Dr. Wintner is *Board Certified*.** **What does this mean?**

To become "*Board Certified*," also referred to as becoming a "*Diplomate*" of the American Board of Orthodontics, is an honor shared by approximately twenty five percent of the orthodontists in the United States and by a distinguished small group of foreign orthodontists. Board certification is not a professional or academic degree. It is a certificate of attainment.

Board certification is a voluntary process which involves an extensive review of an orthodontist's basic education, as well as an intense assessment of the orthodontist's expertise. To become Board Certified, the orthodontist must successfully complete a rigorous evaluation that includes a written examination, an oral examination before the prestigious Board and case presentations.

To prepare for the case presentations, the orthodontist needs to gather numerous records of patients he or she has treated. These records need to include certain types of orthodontic conditions that are required to be reviewed by the Board. The Board reviews the candidate's treatment plans and methods presented in extensively detailed journal formats for each case. The Board also evaluates the results of the treatments and assesses the long-term stability of various treated cases.

A Diplomate of the American Board of Orthodontics has pledged himself to the highest ethical standards and is committed to maintain the highest professional integrity as well as impeccable ethical and moral standards.

Dr. Wintner has been Board Certified by the American Board of Orthodontics since 1988 and is a member of the College of Diplomates of the American Board of Orthodontics.



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