

RETIREMENT LETTER

To all my patients:

It is with a mixture of sadness, regret, joy and mostly gratefulness that I write to announce that my last day in the office will be July 31, 2021.

It has been a long journey that started in 1978, when I started my practice in Pompton Lakes. Many of you began seeing me back then, either as children or as young adults. I take it as a compliment that so many of you have followed me to our Wayne office. Over the years we have developed close and unforgettable relationships that transcend my being your Ophthalmologist. I will always cherish this.

Recently I had an elderly couple with whom I had a brief exchange as they arose unsteadily from their seats. They proceeded to thank me profusely for the care I had given them over the years; and asked me whether I would be here next year for them, but were gracious enough to concede that we all have to retire at some time, and they wouldn't blame me for that. I honestly felt humbled.

Many of you know some of the long serving staff who will continue to work in the office- this will at least give a sense of familiarity and continuity when you return to the office. Also, the doctors in the office will have access to all your records to aid in your ongoing care. I know that you will be in good hands with the present doctors in our office: Drs Stephen Gollance, Scott Silodor and Linda Hogan. They all are excellent physicians. The doctor who will be taking over for me is Dr Joel Pakett. Though I do not know him personally, his training is outstanding and comes with more than the usual amount of surgical experience; I'm sure he will be an asset to our practice and our community.

I wish you all the best in the upcoming years.

Ken M