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§30-8-17. Optometric business entities.

(a) Only licensees may own a business entity that practices optometry.

(b) A licensee may be employed by the business entity.

(c) A business entity shall cease to engage in the practice of optometry when it is not wholly owned by licensees: Provided, That the personal representative of a deceased shareholder shall have a period, not to exceed eighteen months from the date of such shareholder's death, to dispose of such shares.