

To My Dearest Colleagues and Friends,

I want to start by thanking each and every one of you for putting trust and allowing me to serve you and your families for the last 40 years with your dental needs. It has been my extreme pleasure to be able to build such amazing relationships on a personal and professional level. Along my way I was fortunate enough to be able to work for generations of your family and friends. We all knew that at some point my work journey would come to an end. This letter is to let you all know that as of October 1, 2024, I will be formally retired and passing the torch onto The Smilist.

As many of you are aware, I sold my practice to The Smilist two years ago and became the first Pennsylvania office to join them.

I would like to ceremoniously introduce Dr. Jerry Choi and Dr. Jiffry Kolonda.

Most of you have had the opportunity to meet Dr. Jerry Choi over the last couple of years and have experienced his wonderful work. He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine in 2019 with honors in Community Health and completed his residency at the Northport VAMC in Long Island, NY. He was given the amazing opportunity to work on American Heroes and has fond memories of helping veterans with their dental needs. His favorite part of his job is seeing instant relief and/or results in his patients and likes to tell his patients that there are always choices they can make to better their health and their smile. While not in the office, he spends time with his wife, son Jayce and their two dogs. He has many hobbies which include cooking, gardening and video gaming. But most of his time (as a first time homeowner and dad) is dedicated to bettering his home and being with his growing family.



A new face I'd like to introduce is Dr. Jiffry Kolonda. He grew up in St. Louis after his parents immigrated to the United States from Sri Lanka about 45 years ago. He lived in Chicago, Boston and New York before coming to Pennsylvania. He graduated from Boston University in 2018 and recently received his Master's degree for Public Health in May. His favorite part of the job is meeting so many different individuals and easing their worries of visiting the dentist by making them as comfortable as possible in his care. His philosophy is to truly be a restorative dentist and fixing teeth to be as similar to their original anatomy as possible, so the patient feels like nothing has really changed. He prides himself on having his work appear as natural as possible. In his spare time away from the dental chair; Dr. Kolonda can be found on the basketball court, working out (training for the NYC marathon), cooking, volunteering, visiting museums, reading, and going to concerts or live shows.



As I go and am looking forward to what the Lord has in store for me in my next phase in life; I wish all the best for you and your family!

Warmest Regards,

Dr. Robert Daschbach