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THE BEAUTY IN SCIENCE

Cayla Cabelka & Wendy Rice
Cosmetic Specialty Labs, Inc.
Lawton, OK

Cosmetic Specialty Labs, Inc is a cosmetic/OTC Drug turn-key private label manufacturer. It was incorporated in 1973 by Edna Hennessee, a self-taught cosmetic chemist. Edna had originally opened a beauty salon in the 1950s that sold skincare products. However, quality skincare products were limited at the time. As a result, Edna became interested in developing her own formulations. She would go to the public library and would read different chemistry books to help her with formulations.

Today, Cosmetic Specialty Labs produces and ships custom formulations and finished products to over 40 countries worldwide. We operate in a 170,00 square foot manufacturing facility that includes our innovation and development lab, in-house analytical lab, an independent quality control team, product compounding, filling, container design, and a shipping/fulfillment warehouse.

We have been recognized for our commitment to excellence and safety throughout the years and look forward to talking more with you about what makes us unique in our field.

6:30-7:00 pm Social time *Join early to meet Oklahoma chemistry students and professionals from around the state.*

7:00-8:00 pm Presentation
The meeting will be virtual via zoom.

This meeting has a waiting room. Please wait for the host to let you in.

[ZOOM LINK](#) Meeting ID: **916 1794 5348** Passcode: **430441**



zoom meeting link

Cayla Cabelka Biographical Sketch

Cayla Cabelka is the Chief Chemist at Cosmetic Specialty Labs, Inc. In this role, she oversees the Innovation Lab. She specializes in custom formulations of various over-the-counter drug products and cosmetics. She started working at CSL in 2018 as a chemistry student intern. She developed in-house analytical methods for active ingredients that are in CSL's drug products. After graduation, she was hired on full-time and began transitioning into formulations where eventually she was promoted to Chief Chemist.

Cayla completed her undergraduate in Chemistry at Cameron University. She currently is a P1 student at the University of Oklahoma's College of Pharmacy and plans to graduate with her doctorate in 2025.

In her free time, she enjoys staying involved with her community through the organizations Young Professionals of Lawton and United Way of Southwest Oklahoma. Cayla is the wife of Jordan Cabelka, and together have three children, Harper (7), Collins (9), and Chandler (7). When she has free time, she enjoys spending it with her children usually at a ball field somewhere.

Wendy Rice Biographical Sketch

Hello! My name is Wendy Rice, and I am the Regulatory Affairs Officer at Cosmetic Specialty Labs where I joined a team of

amazing business women in Aug, 2020. In this role, I provide guidance on procedural compliance, risk-based quality assessment, and training. I also supervise all analytical testing of our manufactured drugs, oversee the in-house quality control measures, and authorize release of products to market.

Prior to Cosmetic Specialty Labs, I held a number of positions at Mylan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. such as QA Laboratory Supervisor, Manufacturing Investigations Specialist, and Senior Chemist over my tenure of 15 years in the pharmaceutical industry. During my time at Mylan Pharmaceuticals, I helped the company assure bioequivalence of generic drugs, method development and validation, manufacturing process improvement and quality control of finished goods.

I am a graduate of The University of Colorado, where I majored in Chemistry and furthered my education at Pennsylvania State University with a focus in teaching and research. I have a passion for mentoring and have enjoyed elevating young scientific professions through organizations such as the American Chemical Society, Lawton Business Woman and Young Professionals of Lawton. I currently live in Lawton with my 16-year-old daughter and have a 19-year-old daughter pursuing Psychology at WVU. When I'm not keeping busy with advancing beauty through science, you can find me in the sun, lounging by a lake, floating a river, or planning my next mountain adventure. I am a self-proclaimed travel junkie!

