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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS FOR DENTAL LICENSURE

Please read the following instructions and requirements carefully. Most of your questions regarding application and examination should be answered in these instructions. However, if you have further questions, you may contact the Board office at the above address and phone number. Please keep these instructions in your possession during the examination.

The examination will be held May 30 - June 2, 1995, at the University of Mississippi School of Dentistry located on the campus of the University Medical Center, 2500 North State Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

The Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners grants licenses to practice general dentistry by two methods: (a) examination; and (b) licensure by credentials, and meeting the criteria thereof. Mississippi does not engage in reciprocity agreements with other states, and no temporary licenses or permits are issued or special examinations given. Those individuals who wish to be licensed in a specialty field must first obtain a general dental license. Specialty licensure may then be requested by making application and submitting the proper credentials to the Board.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION:

An applicant for examination for dental licensure shall: (a) Be a citizen of the United States except as otherwise provided in Section 73-9-23, Mississippi Laws pertaining to the State Board of Dental Examiners (copy enclosed), be of good moral character, be possessed of a high school education, have attained the age of twenty-one (21) years; and (b) hold a degree from a dental school accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Dental and Dental Auxiliary Education Programs of the American Dental Association except as otherwise provided in Section 73-9-23, Mississippi Laws pertaining to the State Board of Dental Examiners.

Application should be made to the Secretary of the Board by **certified mail with return receipt requested**. Application, fees, and all required supporting documentation must be received in the Board office at least thirty (30) days (4/28/95) prior to the announced date of the examination.

Board fee and clinic fee must be paid in two separate amounts by certified check or money order. No personal checks will be accepted for fees. Examination fee is refunded only if the candidate's application is not accepted by the Board. In the event of illness or emergency, fees will be applied to the next scheduled Mississippi Board providing the Board office is notified no later than three (3) days prior to the examination.

Applicants who are unsuccessful on the examination may apply for a future examination and be considered as new applicants.

Your application will be complete upon receipt of the following:

1. Typed application form filled out completely and properly signed and notarized.
2. Certified check or money order in the amount of \$300.00 made payable to the Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners. This amount is your Board application fee.
3. Certified check or money order in the amount of \$300.00 made payable to the University of Mississippi School of Dentistry to be mailed with your application. This amount covers your clinic fees for instruments and materials listed in the University of Mississippi School of Dentistry Information for Board Candidates (blue packet enclosed.) This fee does not cover casting gold.
4. Notarized signatures of two (2) reputable citizens of the state in which the applicant is a resident. (See application form, Item #15, for further information.)
5. Copy of National Board Examination Grade Card. Contact the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations, telephone number 1-800-621-8099, to have a copy of your grade card mailed to our office. You may take the Mississippi State Boards without having passed the National Boards, but you will not be issued a Mississippi license until a copy of your passing National Board Dental examination scores have been received by the Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiner's office. **(For this purpose, passing scores on the Mississippi State Board Exam are valid through December 31, 1995.)**
6. Copies of official transcripts from each college and dental school attended. These transcripts must be mailed directly to the Board office by the schools. Transcripts will not be accepted from the candidate. Final dental school transcript must show the degree awarded.
7. Candidates who are still in dental school at the time application is submitted must have Form A (enclosed) - an

Affidavit signed by dental dean -- completed and returned with application. Candidates who have not graduated prior to the examination for licensure **will not be allowed to take the Board.**

8. Certified statement from the Secretary of the Board of Dental Examiners in each state in which applicant is currently licensed certifying license status and good standing. In states where the applicant has been previously licensed, the Secretary of the Board must notify this office as to the reason for license expiration or revocation.
9. Proof of having liability insurance coverage while the clinical examination is in progress. (An insurance application form is enclosed for your convenience. However, please feel free to use the insurance company of your choice. If you are currently in practice and have malpractice insurance, your insurance company must submit a certificate of insurance stating you are covered for the Mississippi Dental Board and will be current through June 2, 1995 (Please make certain the effective dates are listed on the certificate of insurance.) A photocopy of your office malpractice insurance policy is **NOT** acceptable.
10. Proof of having completed the Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Course, (adult, one man). This C.P.R. course is renewable annually and must be current at the time of the examination.
11. Registration form for candidate's chairside assistant. (See Form attached.) Each candidate is allowed to bring one dental assistant. This is optional with the candidate. Dental school graduates may not serve as chairside assistants for this examination.

APPLICANTS MUST FURNISH THEIR OWN PATIENTS AND ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR APPEARANCE ON SCHEDULE. All patient records, x-rays, models, etc. become the property of the Board and will not be released to candidates or patients under any circumstances.

PATIENT SELECTION IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTORS IN PREPARATION FOR THE EXAMINATION. IT IS ADVISABLE FOR CANDIDATES TO OBTAIN A BACK-UP PATIENT FOR EACH PROCEDURE. UNACCEPTABLE PATIENTS WILL BE DISMISSED AND ANOTHER PATIENT MUST BE PROVIDED IF THE CANDIDATE IS TO CONTINUE THE EXAMINATION.

No name plates or monograms denoting the name of the candidate or the school attended may be worn. Each applicant will be assigned a candidate number at the orientation session. This number must be worn by the candidate on his/her right lapel. The candidate number will also be displayed on the assigned operatory.

CANDIDATES WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING WRITTEN EXAMINATIONS AND CLINICAL PROCEDURES. Jurisprudence and orientation will be given Tuesday, May 30th, at 1:30 pm. Clinical procedures will begin at 8:00 am on Wednesday, May 31st.

1. Jurisprudence written examination. All candidates are required to PASS a written examination based on "The Mississippi Laws Pertaining to the State Board of Dental Examiners" and Regulations of the Board. Candidates who fail the Jurisprudence examination will not be allowed to continue the testing.
2. One M.O.D., D.O., or M.O. Amalgam Restoration. This restoration must be on a molar or bicuspid with virgin carious lesions and no prior restorations. There must be opposing teeth in normal occlusion and an adjacent tooth or teeth in contact to protect and restore.

The following criteria will be weighed equally in grading the amalgam preparation: outline form; depth; retention; and mutilation of adjacent or opposing hard or soft tissues. A mandatory zero (0) grade will be given on the amalgam preparation for: remaining caries; gross over-preparation; pulp exposure; and/or failure to complete procedure on same day starting check is given.

The following criteria will be weighed equally in grading the amalgam finished restoration: occlusal anatomy; proximal anatomy (contour & contact); occlusion (hypo or hyper); and gingival margin (overhang or sulcus debris). A mandatory zero (0) grade will be given on the amalgam finished restoration for: total lack of contact; gross overhang; and/or failure to complete procedure on same day starting check is given.

The floor examiner must check the amalgam prep for a base whether or not a base is needed. **If a restoration is applied without a base check, the candidate will be required to remove the restoration.** This restoration must be completed and final checked by 5:00 pm the same day the starting check is given.

3. One Complex Amalgam Restoration requiring a minimum of one pin and restoring at least one cusp. (MODB, MODL, MOB, MOL, DOB OR DOL). This restoration must be on a molar. There must be opposing teeth in normal occlusion and an adjacent tooth or teeth in contact to protect and restore. An endodontically treated tooth is not acceptable.

The following criteria will be weighed equally in grading the complex amalgam preparation: outline form; depth; retention; pin placement; and mutilation of adjacent or opposing hard or soft tissues. A mandatory zero (0) grade will be given on the complex amalgam preparation for: remaining caries; gross

over-preparation; pulp exposure; and/or failure to complete procedure on same day starting check is given.

The following criteria will be weighed equally in grading the complex amalgam finished restoration: occlusal anatomy; proximal anatomy (contour & contact); occlusion (hypo or hyper); and gingival margin (overhang or sulcus debris). A mandatory zero (0) grade will be given on the complex amalgam finished restoration for: total lack of contact; gross overhang; and/or failure to complete procedure on the same day starting check is given.

The floor examiner must check the complex amalgam prep for a base whether or not a base is needed. **If a restoration is applied without a base check, the candidate will be required to remove the restoration.** This restoration must be completed and final checked by 5:00 pm the same day the starting check is given.

4. One Class III Composite Restoration. Each candidate must complete one Class III Composite restoration. The tooth to be restored must be vital and have a virgin Class III carious lesion. **NOTE:** For the purposes of this examination, mechanical retention, in addition to the etching, is expected (either retention points or retention grooves.) A glaze should not be applied to the finished restoration before grading.

The following criteria will be weighed equally in grading the composite preparation: outline form; depth; retention; and mutilation of adjacent or opposing hard or soft tissues. A mandatory zero (0) grade will be given on the composite preparation for: remaining caries; gross over-preparation; pulp exposure; and/or failure to complete procedure on same day starting check is given.

The following criteria will be weighed equally in grading the composite finished restoration: proximal anatomy (contour & contact); margins (over or underfill); cosmetics; and occlusion (hypo or hyper). A mandatory zero (0) grade will be given on the composite finished restoration for: gross overhang; loose restoration; and/or failure to complete procedure on the same day starting check is given.

The floor examiner must check the composite prep for a base whether or not a base is needed. **If a restoration is applied without a base check, the candidate will be required to remove the restoration.** This restoration must be completed and final checked by 5:00 pm the same day the starting check is given.

5. One Full Gold Crown. Each candidate must complete one cast full gold crown on a molar or bicuspid. There must be

opposing teeth in normal occlusion and at least one adjacent tooth in contact to protect and restore. All caries, bases and filling materials must be completely removed from the crown preparation. **Caries removal on the crown preparation must be checked by the floor examiner before going to grading.** All teeth used for the crown preparation must be vital. Teeth having previous endodontic treatment are not permitted. At the discretion of the floor examiner, an acceptable buildup may be required.

The following criteria will be weighed equally in grading the crown preparation: occlusal reduction; axial reduction; absence of undercuts; and mutilation of adjacent or opposing hard or soft tissues. A mandatory zero (0) grade will be given on the crown preparation for: gross over-preparation; and/or pulp exposure.

The following criteria will be weighed equally in grading the crown seated casting: seating of casting; occlusal anatomy and finish; proximal anatomy (contour & contact); occlusion (hypo or hyper); and retention. A mandatory zero (0) grade will be given on the crown seated casting for: total lack of contact; and/or overhanging or open gingival margin.

If you have contracted with a private lab to do the lab work on the gold crown, notify the floor examiner. He will sign the lab prescription for you.

This restoration may be started on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday. The crown must be cemented and final checked by 5:00 pm on Friday.

6. Prosthetics. Each candidate will be required to make an upper and a lower final or master impression on a totally edentulous patient (overlay denture patients are acceptable). These impressions must be completed and final checked by 5:00 pm the same day the starting check is given. The impressions are to be poured with stone that is provided by the Board on the same day the starting check is given. Candidates will construct base plates and wax bite rims and establish vertical and centric relations. Previously prepared custom trays may be used upon request at the time of the starting check.

The following criteria will be weighed equally in grading the upper and lower impressions: extension (over or under); retention and stability; surface detail; and presence of voids.

The following criteria will be weighed equally in grading the occlusal registration: vertical dimension and centric relation.

Prosthetics does not have to be completed the same day as started, unless it is started the last day of the exam.

7. Periodontics. Each candidate must complete periodontal probing and diagnosis, and hand scaling and polishing. The term "scaling" includes complete removal of explorer-detectable calculus, soft deposits and plaque, and smoothing of unattached tooth surfaces. Unattached tooth surfaces are the portion of the crown and root surface to which no tissue is attached. Scaling shall be accomplished with hand instruments only. ULTRASONIC OR OTHER MECHANICAL SCALING DEVICES MAY NOT BE USED. The periodontal probing, diagnosis, and scaling and polishing must be completed and final checked by 5:00 pm on the same day the starting check is given.

The candidate shall provide full-mouth x-rays of the patient, at least four (4) of which must be bitewings (eighteen-film series.) Panographic films are not acceptable. X-rays must be of diagnostic quality depicting the current conditions of the patient's mouth. (These x-rays should be prepared no more than sixty (60) days prior to the examination.) Only original radiographs are acceptable. X-rays will be retained by the Board.

Patient acceptability will be evaluated on the basis of : (1) health condition; (2) dentition requirements; and (3) adequate deposits. Specific patient requirements for the clinical periodontics examination are: (1) patient must have a minimum of twenty (20) natural teeth, at least ten (10) of which are posterior teeth; (2) patient must have least one quadrant with the following: (a) interproximal probing depths of three (3) to six (6) millimeters, some of which must exceed three (3) mm [deviation of one (1) mm from the three (3) to six (6) mm range is acceptable]; and (b) heavy, generalized subgingival deposits continuing through the interproximal and line angles. Calculus must be radiographically evident.

The medical history form provided in this packet should be completed by the patient. It is advisable to complete this form prior to the examination. If the patient's health condition indicates an alteration in treatment procedures or a need to consult the patient's physician, the candidate must obtain written clearance from the patient's physician before the patient is accepted. Patients with medical contraindications will not be accepted.

The floor examiner assigns a patient number and reviews the medical history form. The floor examiner will note information concerning the patient's health history which should be considered by the grading examiners in determining the patient's acceptability for this procedure. The floor examiner must initial the Request for Starting Check. Upon

completion of this step, the patient is sent to the grading area for a starting check. **Note: THIS IS THE ONLY TIME THE STARTING CHECK IS GIVEN IN THE GRADING AREA.** The following should be sent with the patient to grading: complete binder, candidate check card and notations from the floor examiner; pre-op x-rays; front surface mouth mirror; #5 and #2A explorers; and color-coded perio probe. (Instruments provided in perio examination kit. See enclosed blue information packet.) The grading examiner will make assignments for completion of scaling and polishing. Your assignment may consist of one, two, three or four quadrants depending on the difficulty of your patient. If the patient is unacceptable, he/she will be returned to the clinic with instructions to the candidate to acquire another patient.

When the patient returns with the starting check, a complete periodontal examination should be completed and charted on the form provided. (If necessary, anesthesia may be administered at any time after the starting check is given.) In charting for this exam, black ink will represent any restoration that is present and serviceable whereas red ink will represent procedures to be done. **Pencil should not be used.**

When probing and charting is complete, the assigned root-planing and/or scaling and polishing should be completed and post-op bitewing x-rays taken. **Please note:** Each candidate will be allowed only one set of post-op bitewings. If a second set of x-rays is required by the grading examiner, the candidate will be notified. Upon completion, the patient returns to grading with complete binder, candidate check card and grade sheet; notations from floor examiner; pre-op and post-op x-rays; and above-listed perio examination kit instruments.

The following criteria will be weighed equally in grading the Charting and Diagnosis: diagnostic quality of x-rays; selection of patient; and ability to accurately diagnose periodontal disease and abnormalities.

The following criteria will be weighed equally in grading the scaling and/or root planing and polishing: thoroughness of scaling and/or root planing and polishing; appropriate patient management in controlling pain and bleeding; and ability to perform therapy without tissue mutilation.

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR
COMPLETING CLINICAL PORTION OF THE EXAMINATION

1. Patient Information: All patients must wait in the first floor lounge until you are ready to begin treatment. No eating or drinking by candidates or patients is allowed in the clinics, labs, hallways or upstairs waiting rooms. These functions are permitted in the first floor lounge only. No smoking is allowed anywhere in the School of Dentistry Building. You may advise your patient to bring reading material, radio with earphones, sweater and a sack lunch.
2. Parking. There is parking for PATIENTS ONLY in the lot north of the School of Dentistry. This is a pay lot and you should advise your patients that the rate is \$.50 per hour or \$5.00 per day. Board candidates should park in the Mississippi Veterans Memorial Stadium parking lot which is directly across North State Street from the Medical Center. A shuttle bus operates every 15 minutes from 6:30 - 9:30 am, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm and 1:30 - 6:00 pm. It is permissible for you to unload your equipment at the front entrance of the School of Dentistry. Patient parking is limited and if Board candidates use the north lot your patient may not be able to find a parking space.
3. Grade sheet packets containing all of the grade sheets you will need for this examination will be distributed at orientation Tuesday, May 30th. It is critical that you do not lose your candidate check card or any of the grade cards -- these are your responsibility.
4. Infection Control: The Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners mandates candidates to follow the current recommended infection control procedures as published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. It is required that all patient care activities be with gloves, masks, protective eyewear, and scrub tops (without sleeves or undershirts showing). Gloves and masks will be provided. The School of Dentistry does not furnish protective eyewear or scrub tops.
5. Each candidate is allowed to bring one chairside assistant. The candidate is responsible for obtaining his/her own assistant, making any monetary arrangements, and for the conduct of his/her assistant during the examination. Assistants must complete the enclosed registration form, attach a recent photograph, and sign the form. This sheet must be returned with the candidate's Board application. Assistants will be given lapel pins with corresponding numbers of the candidates they are assisting. Assistants must stay at the assigned operatory or in the lounge on the first floor.

Dental school graduates may not serve as dental assistants for this examination.

6. Candidates may wish to furnish their own instruments, handpieces, and local anesthetic syringe. Instruments, equipment, and supplies available from the School of Dentistry are listed in the enclosed blue information packet. Candidates must furnish their own casting gold. It may be to the candidate's advantage to furnish his/her own impression material so he/she will be using material to which he/she is accustomed.
7. Candidates may do their own lab work or may contract with the independent laboratory of their choice--the floor examiner will sign the written work authorization. Candidates who contract with private labs are advised to make arrangements with the lab well in advance of the exam. The lab should be notified of the specific gold requirements and time constraints. CANDIDATES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR COMPLETION OF LAB WORK WITHIN THE TIMEFRAME REQUIREMENTS OF THIS EXAMINATION. Candidates doing their own lab work using the dental school lab facilities may request that a technician operate the thermotrol/centrifugal casting machine. Type III Crown and bridge gold with not less than 46% yellow gold is recommended. Candidates may do their own wax patterns, investing, and clean up.
8. Record-Keeping System for Patients: Proper record-keeping is deemed by the Board to be part of the testing procedure. File patient histories with the Dental School Records Desk, second floor, main entrance hall to Dental School. Hours: 7:00 am to 5:30 pm. Fee: \$5.00 per patient. A special form will be provided by the school. Each patient must be filed with the school. You may complete this step at any time during the day you are working on the patient. PATIENT RECORDS MUST BE TURNED IN TO THE RECORDS DESK AT THE END OF THE DAY. If you are completing further work on the same patient, you may pick up the records when you need them again. A slot is provided for returning records after 5:30 pm. On the last day of the examination, record room personnel will report to the floor examiner any candidates with delinquent records, i.e. missing or incomplete records. A candidate's file is considered INCOMPLETE until all record requirements have been met. Candidates must meet all record requirements before they are considered for licensure. (See blue instruction packet for complete details.)
9. All teeth will be numbered 1 through 32 starting with the upper right third molar and ending with the lower right third molar.

10. Patients should be seated and ready for a starting check at your assigned unit by 8:00 am. Starting checks will be given for all procedures, except perio, by the floor examiner. The Request for Starting Check for perio must be signed by the floor examiner. Remain in your assigned operatory until the floor examiner gets to you. Please have your patient seated in an upright position, with a mouth mirror, explorer, pre-op x-rays, pre-op model, patient record, appropriate grade cards, and candidate check card available. At this time, the floor examiner will fill in the following candidate check card blanks: tooth number, date, difficulty, and examiner initial. You may begin your procedure at this time. After all requests for starting checks have been honored, the floor examiner will return to each candidate's operatory to assign patient numbers to your candidate check card and your appropriate grade cards and distribute patient lapel pins. **Each procedure requires a separate patient number.** This patient number must be worn by the patient while being treated or graded. **Keep your patient number lapel pin if your patient is to return at a later time or day for the same procedure.** At the completion of a procedure, please place the lapel pin in the collection box located on the clinic floor.

Two starting checks may be given on the same patient. However, it is the candidate's responsibility to abide by the time requirements presented in your instructions. **EACH PROCEDURE REQUIRES A PATIENT NUMBER.** Only one procedure at a time may be presented to the grading clinic for grading.

Careful consideration will be given to the difficulty determination. If circumstances exist that may adversely affect the satisfactory completion of a procedure according to our grading criteria, necessary comments will be made in the remarks section of your grade card.

Each candidate must be prepared to discuss a Diagnosis and Treatment Plan for any of his/her patients.

11. Do not polish adjacent teeth or old adjacent restorations without written consent of the floor examiner. If you have a rough surface on an existing restoration and/or a rough surface on a tooth adjacent to the tooth you are planning to prepare, you must get permission from the floor examiner to polish the proximal surface of the adjacent tooth. At the time of the starting check, the floor examiner must document and initial his consent in the "Remarks" section of the grade sheet. If you scratch or cut an adjacent tooth while cutting the preparation, do not polish or smooth the tooth before grading. If you polish an adjacent tooth without written permission from the floor examiner, points will be deducted from your grade.

12. In the event of a pulp exposure, consult a floor examiner immediately. The patient will be escorted to the grading clinic for instructions. If a rubber dam is not in place, apply one immediately. **PLEASE NOTE: This is the only time a patient should go to Grading with a rubber dam in place. The grading examiners will return your patient with treatment instructions.**
13. **Irregularities:** It is the candidate's responsibility to bring possible irregularities to the attention of the floor examiner. If you feel that an error has been made in any aspect of your examination, confer with your floor examiner immediately. He will notify a second examiner to witness and document the circumstances.
14. When you are ready for a grade at any point in the examination, escort your patient to the entrance of the grading clinic reception room with the items listed in the lower right hand corner of your grade card. It is **YOUR responsibility to make sure the floor examiner has marked the correct patient number and tooth number on the grade card.** Send only one grade card to grading at a time.
15. Patients will be graded in the order in which they arrive in the grading clinic.
16. The following x-rays will be required:
 - A. Recent periapical of any anterior tooth to be prepared.
 - B. Recent periapical and bitewing of any posterior tooth to be prepared.
 - C. Bitewing x-ray of complex amalgam preparation with pin in place.
 - D. Bitewing x-ray of seated full gold crown.
 - E. Bitewing x-ray of each finished amalgam restoration.
 - F. Periapical x-ray of finished composite restoration.
 - G. Mounted, complete series of periapical and bitewing x-rays of clinical periodontal patient. [Eighteen (18) radiographs at least four (4) of which are bitewings.] Panographic x-rays ARE NOT acceptable. Radiographs for this section of the examination must be of diagnostic quality and depict the current condition of the patient's mouth. These x-rays shall have been prepared no more than sixty (60) days prior to the examination.
 - H. Post-op bitewing x-rays of the perio patient after root planing and/or scaling and polishing is completed.

With the exception of the x-rays required in Section G (above), all x-rays are to be mounted in 4-hole x-ray mounts. X-ray mounts will be available on your clinic floor. Candidates will be limited to one set of post-op bitewings for each procedure. If a 2nd set of x-rays is required by the grading examiner, a note will be sent back to the candidate authorizing the 2nd set. Pre-op x-rays

should be of diagnostic quality. Patient Number and tooth number only should be written on the x-ray mount. No patient names, candidate names, or candidate numbers should be written on x-ray mounts. PLEASE NOTE: All x-rays are to be placed in the patient record at the completion of each procedure or at the completion of the exam.

17. The following alginate impressions or models will be required:
 - A. Pre-op quadrant or full mouth models of tooth to be restored. This model must accompany patient to the grading clinic for each graded procedure.
 - B. Alginate impressions of all finished restorations and seated gold crown must accompany patient to the grading clinic.

Pre-op models must be made by the candidate. The impression should be poured and trimmed in your assigned laboratory.

18. Grading. This Board has adopted a "blind" grading system. Under this system, at least one examiner will be assigned to each clinic as a "floor examiner." The floor examiner will assign patient and tooth numbers, give starting checks, determine the degree of difficulty and be available for emergency situations. All procedures will be graded in a grading clinic which will be set up entirely separate from the candidate clinics. Each procedure will be graded by three examiners. Patients will be escorted to the entrance of the grading clinic by the candidate or his assistant; they should take with them models, x-rays, candidate check card and grade card--**do not send more than one grade card at a time**. The patient will be returned to the appropriate clinic by an escort provided by the Board. Under no circumstances will candidates or their assistants be allowed in the grading clinic. Further details and directions will be given in the orientation session.

TO BE SUCCESSFUL ON THIS EXAMINATION, A CANDIDATE MUST MAKE PASSING GRADES ON AT LEAST THREE (3) OF THE CLINICAL PROCEDURES AND MUST MAKE A GRADE OF 70% OR ABOVE AS AN OVERALL AVERAGE. SO THAT THERE IS NO MISUNDERSTANDING--IF YOU FAIL FOUR (4) CLINICAL PROCEDURES, YOU DO NOT GET A LICENSE--REGARDLESS OF YOUR OVERALL AVERAGE. (A breakdown on the grading for each procedure is enclosed.) See pages 3-8 of this packet for grading criteria.

DECEIT, FRAUD, OR PATIENT MISMANAGEMENT WILL RESULT IN AUTOMATIC DISMISSAL.

19. All grade cards will be retained by the grading examiners in the grading clinic. **Each candidate should check the candidate check card for examiner initials when the patient is returned to the clinic**. If discrepancies exist, consult the floor examiner at once.

20. Each candidate is responsible for his or her own cleanup.

THE FOLLOWING MUST BE DONE WHEN ALL CLINICAL PROCEDURES ARE COMPLETED:

1. Write your candidate number on your candidate check card and give it to the floor examiner.
2. Place pre-op models in a plastic bag: Indicate the tooth number, patient number, and candidate number, and deliver to the grading clinic. (Bags are available in the clinics.)
3. Place your denture impressions, final models, and base plates with bite rims in a plastic bag. Indicate your patient number, candidate number, and deliver to the grading clinic.
4. Return of dental school equipment and instruments: Equipment and instruments issued by the University of Mississippi School of Dentistry to Board candidates must be returned before the candidate leaves the facility at the end of testing on Friday. Return of equipment and instruments to the School of Dentistry is deemed by the Board to be a part of the testing procedure, and a candidate's file is considered INCOMPLETE until all equipment and instruments are returned and any losses settled. Board results will not be released to candidates whose account has not been cleared with the School of Dentistry.

COMPLETION OF JURISPRUDENCE AND CLINICAL PROCEDURES IS REQUIRED BEFORE A CANDIDATE IS CONSIDERED FOR LICENSURE. Requirements concerning record-keeping and return of dental school equipment and instruments are deemed by the Board to be part of the examination procedure and must be satisfactorily fulfilled before a candidate is considered for licensure.

EXAMINATION RESULTS: You will be notified by mail of the examination results within four (4) weeks. Results will not be released by telephone. Please do not call members of the Board or the Board office for your examination results. You must receive your license and record it in the Circuit Clerk's office before you practice dentistry in the State of Mississippi -- this should be done in the county in which you reside. You may not apply for prescribing privileges with the Drug Enforcement Administration until you receive your license and establish a permanent office address.

EXAMINATION SCHEDULE

Tuesday, May 30, 1995

1:30 pm Orientation Session - Room D-113 - First
Floor (Dental School)

Wednesday, May 31, 1995

8:00 am Clinical Examinations - Fourth Floor -
Dental School

Thursday, June 1, 1995

8:00 am Clinical Examinations - Fourth Floor -
Dental School

Friday, June 2, 1995

8:00 am Clinical Examinations - Fourth Floor -
Dental School

GRADING AREA: Fourth Floor - Dental School

PATIENT WAITING AREAS: Fourth Floor - Dental School

LABORATORIES: Room D-408 (Fourth Floor) and
Rooms 513-516 (Fifth Floor)

LOCKER ROOMS: Female Candidates - Room D-408
Male Candidates - Room D-115