

BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE  
BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF MISSISSIPPI:  
DENTAL LICENSE NO. 2759-93

TOD A. BIGELOW, D.D.S.	*	DOCKET NOS.	2020-070
115 CARRIE ROAD	*		2025-072
HATTIESBURG, MS 39402	*		2025-073
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<b>RESPONDENT</b>	*		

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CONSENT ORDER - SURRENDER

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WHEREAS, **RESPONDENT, TOD A. BIGELOW, D.D.S.**, has been vested with the right and privilege to practice dentistry in the State of Mississippi by virtue of License No. 2759-93, issued by the Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners (hereinafter referred to as “Board”).

WHEREAS, **RESPONDENT, TOD A. BIGELOW, D.D.S.**, has agreed to enter into a **CONSENT ORDER – SURRENDER OF LICENSE** which would, upon approval and execution by the Board, avoid initiation of formal disciplinary proceedings.

**FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

FoF 1. On or about June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025, the Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners held a formal disciplinary hearing in the above styled matter regarding the Mississippi Dental License (No. 2759-93) issued to **RESPONDENT, TOD A. BIGELOW, D.D.S.** As a result of the hearing, the Board issued a Final Order dated July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025, to **RESPONDENT**, wherein the Board required **RESPONDENT** to comply with and complete specific terms. Among those terms, **RESPONDENT** was ordered to:

- Pay a fine of \$5,000 in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 73-9-61(8);

- Complete the PROBE: Ethics and Boundaries Program within one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of receipt of the Final Order; and
- Complete the PROBE Plus Program within one (1) year from the date of receipt of the Final Order.

FoF 2. **RESPONDENT** received the Board's Final Order dated July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025, on or about July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025. As of January 01<sup>st</sup>, 2026, the Board has not received payment for the \$5,000 fine, nor has the Board received any evidence indicating **RESPONDENT'S** enrollment in or completion of the PROBE: Ethics and Boundaries Program.

CHARGE 1. **RESPONDENT** agrees that sufficient evidence exists to constitute violation(s) of: Miss. Code Ann. § 73-9-61 (1)(o), in that **RESPONDENT** violated a lawful order of the Board previously entered in a disciplinary or licensure hearing.

**IT IS, THEREFORE, STIPULATED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That this **CONSENT ORDER** is entered into freely, willingly and voluntarily by all the parties without threats or promises, and further, such **CONSENT ORDER** is entered into in lieu of having a full administrative hearing before the Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners.
2. That **RESPONDENT** hereby voluntarily, willingly, and freely waives all **RESPONDENT'S** due process rights, including but not limited to, the right to a hearing whereby **RESPONDENT** could:
  - a. Appear either personally or by counsel or both,
  - b. Cross-examine any witnesses who may testify against **RESPONDENT**,
  - c. Present testimony, evidence, and witnesses on **RESPONDENT'S** behalf, and
  - d. Have subpoenas issued by the Board on **RESPONDENT'S** behalf.
3. The Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners is established pursuant to Title 73, Chapter 9 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, and is charged with the duty of

licensing and regulating the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene in the State of Mississippi. The **RESPONDENT** is the holder and/or applicant of a license issued by the Board and is, therefore, subject to Miss. Code Ann. § 73-9-1, et seq.

4. Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 73-9-61 (1), upon satisfactory proof of the violation(s) enumerated herein, and in accordance with statutory provisions elsewhere set out for such hearings and protecting the rights of the accused as well as the public, the Board may deny the issuance or renewal of a license, may revoke or suspend the license of any licensee practicing in the State of Mississippi, or take any other action in relation to the license as the Board may deem proper under the circumstances.
5. That it is understood and agreed that the purpose of this **CONSENT ORDER** is to avoid a formal disciplinary proceeding, including a full administrative hearing before the Board. As such, **RESPONDENT** authorizes the Board to review and examine any documentary evidence or information concerning **RESPONDENT** prior to or in conjunction with its consideration of the **CONSENT ORDER**.
6. That this **CONSENT ORDER** shall be subject to approval by the Board. If the Board fails to approve the **CONSENT ORDER**, it shall have no force or effect on the parties.
7. That should this **CONSENT ORDER** not be approved by the Board, it is agreed that the presentation and consideration of the **CONSENT ORDER**, including any documentary evidence and information related thereto, shall not unfairly or illegally prejudice the Board or any of its members from participation in hearings or other proceedings pertaining to these or other matters regarding **RESPONDENT**.
8. **PENALTIES.** That upon approval and execution of this **CONSENT ORDER** by the Board, **RESPONDENT** agrees to the following penalties which are authorized by Miss. Code Ann. § 73-9-61.
  - a. **SURRENDER** of Mississippi Dental License no. **2759-93**. The **SURRENDER** of licensure shall have the same effect as license revocation. Immediately upon

Board approval and execution of this **CONSENT ORDER, RESPONDENT'S** license status with the Board, including for purposes of license verification by the public, shall indicate "REVOKE." Immediately upon Board approval and execution of this **CONSENT ORDER, RESPONDENT** shall no longer be authorized to practice dentistry in the state of Mississippi, and **RESPONDENT** shall NOT practice dentistry in the state of Mississippi.

- b. Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 73-9-65, the Board may, for good cause shown, reinstate any license revoked or suspended.
  - i. **RESPONDENT** shall have the right, but not the obligation, to petition for reinstatement of the license after expiration of one (1) year from the date the Board approves this **CONSENT ORDER**.
  - ii. In order to seek reinstatement pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 73-9-65, **RESPONDENT** must also comply with 30 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2301, R. 1.23 – Board Regulation 23 – Reinstatement of Voided Licenses.
  - iii. **RESPONDENT** shall be responsible for any costs associated with seeking reinstatement of the license.
  - iv. Should **RESPONDENT** seek to have the surrendered license reinstated in the future, **RESPONDENT** shall petition the Board, and **RESPONDENT** shall carry the burden of showing good cause why the license should be reinstated.
  - v. In determining whether to reinstate the license, the Board may consider all activities of **RESPONDENT** since the surrender of the license, the charges now pending, **RESPONDENT'S** activity during the time the license was in good standing, and **RESPONDENT'S** reputation for truth, professional ability, and good character.
  - vi. As a result of a proceeding seeking to reinstate the surrendered license, the Board may take any action in relation to the license as it may deem proper under the circumstances.

9. That **RESPONDENT** accepts the above penalties and acknowledges that **RESPONDENT'S** license is conditioned on full compliance with these terms. Failure to adhere to any of the terms of this **CONSENT ORDER** may result in further disciplinary action against **RESPONDENT'S** license.
10. That the **RESPONDENT** does hereby fully, completely and finally release the Board, its agents, servants or employees from any and all claims, charges, demands, damages, costs, expenses, actions and causes of action of every kind and nature which the **RESPONDENT** may now or hereafter have related to this **CONSENT ORDER** between the **RESPONDENT** and the Board. The Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners admits no liability in any way related to this **CONSENT ORDER**.
11. That this **CONSENT ORDER** is considered a settlement agreement under Mississippi Rule of Evidence 408; therefore, this **CONSENT ORDER** does not constitute an admission of guilt or liability.
12. That upon approval and execution of this **CONSENT ORDER** by the Board, this document will be a public record and will be entered as a **FINAL ORDER** of the Board. Further, the **FINAL ORDER** will be reported as disciplinary action to the American Association of Dental Boards (AADB) and to all federally mandated data banks.

AGREED TO, on this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

  
Tod A Bigelow (Jan 12, 2026 15:36:42 CST)

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Approved as to Form & Substance:

Mr. Fletcher Mottigian

W. Westley Mutziger  
Prosecutorial Counsel, MSBDE

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**SO APPROVED & ORDERED**, on this day, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024.

**MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS**

BY: 

MARION LEWIS GRUBBS, D.M.D.

PRESIDENT