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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
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STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

IN THE MATTER OF RONALD BIGONZI, D. D. S. LICENCED TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY	Administrative Action CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry (hereinafter referred to as "Board") upon the receipt of a Report of Investigation ("Report") from the Enforcement Bureau, Division of Consumer Affairs, which disclosed that dirty and unsanitary conditions existed in the dental office of Ronald Bigonzi, D.D.S. Additionally, the Report revealed that Dr. Bigonzi does not perform any testing of the accuracy of the autoclave machine which is located in one of the operatory rooms within his dental office. The Board finds that maintaining a dental office in such an unsanitary state constitutes professional or occupational misconduct pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e). Further, the Report disclosed that Dr. Bigonzi engaged in professional or occupational misconduct in that he failed

to display his current dental license, and his New Jersey Controlled Dangerous Substance and Drug Enforcement Administration renewal certificates as required by N.J.S.A. 45:6-11.

In order to resolve this matter without recourse to formal proceedings and for good cause shown;

IT IS ON THIS 22nd DAY OF ~~FEBRUARY~~ March 1995,

HEREBY ORDERED and AGREED upon by the parties that:

1. Dr. Bigonzi shall take immediate corrective action to cause his dental office to be cleaned and maintained in a sanitary condition and he shall comply with all infection control procedures for the dental office, including, but not limited to, the following:

a. United States Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommendations for universal precautions for the prevention of transmission of human immuno-deficiency virus, hepatitis B virus and other bloodborne pathogens in health care settings;

b. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations for occupational exposure to bloodborne pathogens (29 C.F.R. Part 1910.1030); and

c. The New Jersey Comprehensive Regulated Waste Management Act (N.J.S.A. 13:1E-48.1 et seq.) and the rules for regulated medical waste (N.J.A.C. 7:26-3A.1 et seq.)

2. Dr. Bigonzi is hereby assessed a civil penalty in the amount of Two Thousand-Five Hundred ($2,500) dollars for his failure to maintain his dental office according to acceptable sanitary standards in this State. Payment shall be made by certified check or money order made payable to the State of New Jersey. The payment shall be submitted to Agnes Clarke, Executive Director of the Board of

Dentistry, at 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, Newark, New Jersey 07102, within thirty (30) days of the entry date of this Order.

3. Dr. Bigonzi shall at all times display his dentistry registration certificate, and his New Jersey Controlled Dangerous Substance and Drug Enforcement Administration renewal certificates, for the current year in a conspicuous place in his main operating room in plain view of patients.

4. Dr. Bigonzi shall have his Chemiclave autoclave tested by an independent company and submit written proof to the Board, within thirty (30) days of the entry date of this Order, that the autoclave has tested satisfactorily. All costs and expenses incurred in the testing of the autoclave shall be borne by Dr. Bigonzi.

5. Dr. Bigonzi shall afford access to his dental office and shall submit to periodic and unannounced inspections by the Enforcement Bureau for the purpose of assuring the Board that he continues to maintain his office in sanitary condition and follows acceptable infection control procedures. Dr. Bigonzi shall be responsible for the costs of such inspections. An Affidavit of Costs from the Enforcement Bureau shall be submitted to Dr. Bigonzi subsequent to any such inspection and Dr. Bigonzi shall submit payment in the amount of such costs no later than fifteen (15) days subsequent to his receipt of the Affidavit of Costs.

6. Dr. Bigonzi shall forward to Agnes Clarke, Executive Director of the Board of Dentistry, at the address listed above, the sum of $1,273.69, by certified check or money order, within thirty (30) days of the entry of this Order, which represents the costs of the investigation of this matter.

Stephen Candio, D.D.S.
President, State Board
of Dentistry

I have read and understand the within Order and agree to be bound by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Board of Dentistry to enter this Order.

Ronald Bigonzi, D.D.S.

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