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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
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IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF	:	
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Howard Pittel, D.D.S.	:	Administrative Action
License No. 22DI01193300	:	
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TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY	:	ORDER OF SUMMARY
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	SUSPENSION
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry (Board) upon receipt of information revealing the following:

1. Howard Pittel, D.D.S. ("respondent"), is the holder of License No. 22DI01193300 and was licensed to practice dentistry in the State of New Jersey from November 8, 1978 until October 31, 2005 at which time respondent permitted that license to lapse.

2. On or about February 4, 2005, respondent signed an application for consent order with the New York State Board of Dentistry ("New York Board"). Respondent chose not to contest two counts of professional misconduct. The first count charged that

respondent allowed an unlicensed person to perform activities requiring a license. The second count charged that respondent failed to write the name of the correct user on a schedule II prescription. Respondent agreed to a suspension of his New York dental license until such time as a psychiatrist, psychologist, certified social worker or nurse practitioner certified that he was fit to practice. Respondent also consented to a \$5,000 civil penalty and two years of probation upon his return to practice.

3. On May 17, 2005, the New York Board voted to accept respondent's application for a consent order. Respondent's license to practice dentistry in New York was suspended consistent with the provisions of the application.

4. Respondent's failure to submit his biennial renewal application in 2005, resulting in a lapsed license status, provides grounds to automatically suspend respondent's license to practice dentistry in the State of New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-7.1(b).

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 12 day of December, 2008,  
ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent's license to practice dentistry in the State of New Jersey shall be and hereby is suspended by operation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-7.1, without a hearing.

2. In the event that respondent seeks reinstatement of a New Jersey license at any time in the future, this Order shall require

respondent to appear before the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry to discuss the facts underlying the New York action and to establish he is fit to practice dentistry in New Jersey.

3. This order does not preclude the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry from taking additional action against Respondent's license, including but not limited to suspension, revocation and/or the imposition of a civil penalty, based on the action taken against respondent's New York Dental license.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF  
DENTISTRY

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