BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF:

JESSICA KURTH OATES, R.D.H.	)	**CONSENT ORDER**
	)	**TERMINATING PROBATION**
(License Number 12950)	)	
	)	

THIS MATTER is before the North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners (the "Board") as authorized by N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-41.1(b) for consideration of a Consent Order in lieu of formal administrative hearing. Petitioner, Jessica Kurth Oates, R.D.H. ("Petitioner"), submitted a request that the Board terminate her probationary status based on her compliance with the Consent Order entered by the Board on March 4, 2021. The Investigative Panel (the "IP") consents to the request. The parties freely and voluntarily consent to the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Board is a body duly organized under the laws of North Carolina and is the proper party to bring this proceeding pursuant to the authority granted to it in Chapter 90 of the North Carolina General Statutes, including the Dental Hygiene Act in Article 16, and the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners, set forth in 21 North Carolina Administrative Code Chapter 16.

2. Petitioner was conditionally granted a license to practice as a dental hygienist in North Carolina on March 4, 2021, pursuant to a Consent Order of Conditional Licensure ("2021 Consent Order"), and has held license number 12950 at all times relevant hereto.

3. Petitioner is subject to the Dental Hygiene Act and the Board's Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder.

4. On or about June 4, 2025, the Board received a letter from Ms. Lauren Haarlow, Clinical Director of NC Caring Dental Professionals ("CDP"). Ms. Haarlow described Respondent as an exemplary participant in the CDP program and confirmed that Petitioner completed all terms of her five-year CDP contract. Ms. Haarlow expressed CDP's support for removing the probationary terms and conditions from Respondent's dental hygiene license.

5. Petitioner provided credible evidence that she has satisfied the terms and conditions of the 2021 Consent Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Board has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action and over the person of Petitioner.

2. Petitioner has demonstrated that she has satisfied the terms and conditions of the 2021 Consent Order and that the probationary terms and conditions set forth in the 2021 Consent Order are no longer necessary for Petitioner to safely practice as a dental hygienist in North Carolina or to protect the public.

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and with the consent of the parties hereto, it is ORDERED as follows:

ORDER

The probationary terms and conditions of the 2021 Consent Order are hereby terminated. Respondent's dental hygiene license number 12950 is no longer subject to probationary status and is transferred to good standing without restrictions.

This the 30th day of September 2025,

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS

BY: Casie S. Goode

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Deputy Operations Officer

STATEMENT OF CONSENT

I, Jessica Oates Kurth, R.D.H., have read the foregoing Consent Order in its entirety. I assent to its terms and conditions set out herein and verify that the statements contained in it about me are true and accurate. I freely and voluntarily acknowledge that there is sufficient evidence to form a factual basis for the findings of fact, that the findings of fact support the conclusions of law, and that I will not contest the findings of fact, the conclusions of law, or the order in any future proceedings before or involving the Board. I knowingly waive any right to seek judicial review, appeal, or otherwise later challenge this Consent Order once entered. I agree to service of the Consent Order to the email or mailing address of record with the Board and waive service by any other method. I had an opportunity to consult with an attorney prior to signing this Consent Order.

This the 29th day of September, 2025.

Jessica Kurth Oates, R.D.H.