



# MINUTES

## ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

Date | Time 4/20/2020 at 9:00 AM | Meeting called to order by Dr. L. Frederick Church, Jr.

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### In Attendance

#### **Board Members**

Dr. L. Frederick Church, Jr.

Ms. Marcia Cook

Dr. Dwight Duckworth

Ms. Karrie Jamison

Dr. Cara Jones

Dr. Matthew McDonough

Dr. Carl Plyler

Dr. Charles Garrett Taylor

Ms. Erika Thomas

#### **Board Staff**

Meredith Rogers (Executive Director), Kevin O'Dwyer (Attorney), and Corneshia Harrison (Administrative Analyst)

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The Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners (ASBDE) met to discuss licensure issues that could potentially affect 2020 graduating dental and dental hygiene candidates because of the current Coronavirus pandemic, more specifically, clinical examinations. Given the definitions and requirements put forth in the Arkansas Dental Practice Act, it was wholly agreed that clinical testing was required for an Arkansas license.

After some discussion, a motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the satisfactory completion of a clinical dental examination administered by SRTA, WREB, CDCA, CITA, or CRDTS that is conducted via live patient or manikin, and to waive the periodontal portion of the clinical examination.

A motion was also made, seconded and passed to accept the manikin dental hygiene exam given by SRTA that will allow candidates to test without a live patient and should include the use of ultrasonics or piezo scalers.

All other requirements for licensure remain unchanged.

Respectfully submitted

**Meredith Rogers**

Meredith Rogers, Executive Director