UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

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COMPLAINT COUNSEL'S RESPONSE TO RESPONDENT'S MOTION TO STAY THE PROCEEDINGS AND [PROPOSED] ORDER

Complaint Counsel does not oppose Respondent's Motion for a Stay of the Proceedings pending a ruling by the Commission on Complaint Counsel's Motion for Partial Summary Decision and Respondent's Motion to Dismiss for the reasons set forth below. Complaint Counsel has attached a Proposed Order incorporating reference to this Response for use in the event the Commission grants Respondent's Motion for a Stay.

- 1. On November 2, 2010, Complaint Counsel filed a Motion for Partial Summary Decision to dismiss Respondent North Carolina State of Dental Examiners' affirmative defense under the "State Action Doctrine" so that the proceeding may focus efficiently on those issues as to which there is a bona fide factual controversy.
- 2. On November 3, 2010, Respondent filed a Motion to Dismiss and a Motion to Stay in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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I certify that the electronic copy sent to the Secretary of the Commission is a true and correct copy of the paper original and that I possess a paper original of the signed document that is available for review by the parties and the adjudicator.

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