

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES**

In the Matter of)

The North Carolina Board of)
Dental Examiners,)
Respondent.)

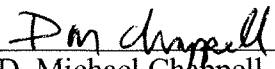
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ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

The Scheduling Order entered in this case set November 2, 2010 as the deadline for the parties to file motions to dismiss filed before the evidentiary hearing, motions to strike, and motions for summary decision pursuant to Rule 3.22(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice. On November 2, 2010, Respondent submitted a Motion for Extension of Time for Filing a Motion to Dismiss and Memorandum in Support. Respondent seeks an extension of one day, until 5:00 p.m. on November 3, 2010, to make its filing. Respondent argues that this small extension of time is appropriate to arrange for several simultaneous filings of complex and related motions. Respondent represents that Complaint Counsel does not oppose Respondent's motion for an extension of time.

Under Rule 3.21(c)(2) of the Commission's Rules of Practice, the Administrative Law Judge may, upon a showing of good cause, grant a motion to extend any deadline or time specified in the Scheduling Order other than the date of the evidentiary hearing. Given the length of the proceedings to date, the complexity of the issues, the need to conclude the evidentiary hearing and render an initial decision in a timely manner, and that no other extensions for filing a motion to dismiss have been sought or granted, good cause is found to grant Respondent's motion for an extension of time. Accordingly, Respondent's motion requesting a one-day extension of time is GRANTED. Respondent shall have until 5:00 p.m. on November 3, 2010 to file its Motion to Dismiss and Memorandum in support thereof.

ORDERED:



D. Michael Chappell
Chief Administrative Law Judge

Date: November 3, 2010