TO: All Applicants for Alabama Licensure  
SUBJECT: Verification of Citizenship or Legal Presence  
FROM: Board of Dental Examiners of Alabama

The Board of Dental Examiners is required by both federal and state laws to verify the citizenship or legal presence of every licensee/permittee of the Board. Title IV of the federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1621 provides that, with certain exceptions, only citizens of the United States, non-citizen nationals, non-exempt “qualified aliens”, nonimmigrants, and certain aliens paroled into the U.S. are eligible to receive covered public state and/or local benefits. Pursuant to ALA. CODE (1975) §§ 31-13-1 et seq., aliens unlawfully present in the U.S. are prohibited from receiving state or local benefits. Every person applying for a local or state benefit such as a professional license and/or permit must sign a declaration of citizenship and a resident alien’s lawful presence must be verified. Further, citizenship or lawful presence must be demonstrated by providing appropriate documents for review.

When applying for a license, you must complete the following affidavit and include a LEGIBLE, FRONT AND BACK copy of the appropriate supporting document. Please note that, if you are providing the supporting document with your application, you do not need to include an additional copy. If you are being required to obtain a BACKGROUND REPORT you do not need to include a supporting document with your license application.

If you have any questions regarding the citizenship verification, please contact the Board Office at (205) 985-7267.
Declaration of Citizenship and Lawful Presence of an Alien Resident

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Alabama Dental/Dental Hygiene License/Permit Number: __________________________
(Leave this blank; staff will enter your license # when issued)

Name: ______________________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________ _____________________________
Signature Date

SECTION I

Are you a citizen of the United States? _____Yes _____No

If you answered YES:
1. Provide a legible copy of any document from the attached List A;
2. Complete the declaration found in Section III below; and
3. Return this form and the document from List A to the Board at the address above.

If you answered NO:
1. Complete Section II and Section III below.

SECTION II

Are you a lawfully present alien in the United States? _____Yes _____No

If you answered YES:
1. Provide a legible copy (front and back) of any documents from attached List B (provided documentation will be used to verify lawful presence via the U.S. Government);
2. Complete the declaration found in Section III below; and
3. Return this form and the document from List B to the Board at the address above.

If you answered NO:
1. Complete the declaration found in Section III below; and
2. Return this form to the Board at the address above.

SECTION III

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Alabama that the answers and documentation I provided are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature Date
List A

Documents Demonstrating U.S. Citizenship

1. Driver’s License or Non-driver’s License identification card issued by the Alabama Department of Public Safety

2. Driver’s License or Non-driver’s License identification card issued by an equivalent governmental agency of another state within the U.S. if the identification specifies that the person provided satisfactory proof of U.S. citizenship.

3. Birth Certificate which satisfactorily verifies U.S. citizenship by indicating birth in the U.S. or one of its territories.

4. Pages of a U.S. Passport identifying the individual and their passport number.

5. U.S. Naturalization documents or Certificate of Naturalization or Certificate of Naturalization number.

6. Any document, method, or proof of U.S. citizenship issued by the federal government pursuant to the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 and subsequent amendments thereto.

7. Bureau of Indian Affairs card number, tribal treaty card number, or tribal enrollment number.

8. Certification of birth issued by the U.S. Department of State or consular report of birth abroad by a citizen of the U.S.


12. Final Adoption Decree showing name and U.S. birthplace.

13. Valid Uniformed Services Privileges and Identification Card.


15. Extract from a U.S. hospital record of birth created at the time of the individual’s birth indicating U.S. birthplace.

16. Any other form of identification authorized pursuant to the Alabama Administrative Procedure Act by the Alabama Department of Revenue to be used to demonstrate an individual’s U.S. citizenship or legal presence. Said identification must require proof of legal presence in the U.S. as a prerequisite of issuance.

(See other Side for “List B”)
List B

Documents Indicating Status of Qualified Aliens, Nonimmigrants, and Aliens Paroled into the U.S. (for Less than One Year)

Qualified Alien  *Registration Documents
Evidence of “Qualified Alien Status” includes:
- Alien Lawfully Admitted for Permanent Residence;
- Form I-551 (Alien Registration Receipt Card, also known as a “Green Card”); or
- Unexpired Temporary I-551 stamp in foreign passport or on Form I-94

Alien Declared a Battered Alien Subject to Extreme Cruelty
- U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service Petition and supporting documentation.

Alien Granted Conditional Entry
- Form I-94* annotated with stamp showing grant of asylum under Section 203(a)(7) of the I.N.A.;
- Form I-688B* (Employment Authorization Card) annotated “274.a12(a)(3)”; or
- Form I-766* (Employment Authorization Document) annotated “A3”;

Alien Paroled into the U.S. for at least One Year
- Form I-94* with stamp showing admission for at least one year under Section 212(d)(5) of the I.N.A. (Individual may not aggregate periods of admission for less than one year to meet the one year requirement).

Alien Whose Deportation was Withheld
- Form I-688B* (Employment Authorization Card) annotated “274.a12(a)(10)”;
- Form I-766* (Employment Authorization Document) annotated “A10”; or
- Order of an immigration judge showing deportation was withheld under Section 243(h) of the I.N.A. as in effect prior to April 1, 1997, or removal withheld under Section 241(b)(3) of the I.N.A.

Asylee
- Form I-94* annotated with stamp showing grant of asylum under Section 208 of the I.N.A.;
- Form I-688B* (Employment Authorization Card) annotated “274.a12(a)(50)”;
- Form I-766* (Employment Authorization Document) annotated “A5”; or
- Grant Letter from the Asylum Office of the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service; or
- Order of an immigration judge granting asylum.

Refugee
- Form I-94* annotated with stamp showing admission under Section 207 of the I.N.A.;
- Form I-688B* (Employment Authorization Card) annotated “274.a12(a)(3)”;

Cuban / Haitian Entrant
- Form I-551 (Alien Registration Receipt Card, also known as a “Green Card”) with the code CU6, CU7, or CH6;
- Unexpired Temporary I-551 stamp in foreign passport or on Form I-94* with the code CU6 or CU7; or
- Form I-94 with stamp showing parole as “Cuban/Haitian Entrant” under Section 212(d)(5) of the I.N.A.

(See other Side for “List A”)