

**CONSENT AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
ERIC PAUL BUCK, D.D.S.  
AND  
THE OHIO STATE DENTAL BOARD**

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into by and between ERIC PAUL BUCK, D.D.S., (DR. BUCK) and THE OHIO STATE DENTAL BOARD, (BOARD), the state agency charged with enforcing the Dental Practice Act, Chapter 4715 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC).

DR. BUCK voluntarily enters into this CONSENT AGREEMENT being fully informed of his rights under Chapter 119, ORC, including the right to representation by counsel and the right to a formal adjudication hearing on the issues considered herein.

This CONSENT AGREEMENT is entered into on the basis of the following stipulations, admissions and understandings:

- A. The OHIO STATE DENTAL BOARD is empowered by Section 4715.30, ORC, to limit, revoke, suspend a certificate or license, refuse to register or reinstate an applicant, or reprimand or place on probation the holder of a certificate or license. Section 4715.30(A)(15), ORC, authorizes the Board to discipline a licensee for any of the following actions taken by an agency responsible for authorizing, certifying, or regulating an individual to practice a health care occupation or provide health care services in this state or another jurisdiction, for any reason other than the nonpayment of fees: the limitation, revocation, or suspension of an individual's license to practice; acceptance of an individual's license surrender; denial of a license; refusal to renew or reinstate a license; imposition of probation; or issuance of an order of censure or other reprimand. Section 4715.30(A)(1), ORC, authorizes the Board to discipline a licensee for employing or cooperating in fraud or material deception in applying for or obtaining a license or certificate.
- B. DR. BUCK is currently licensed to practice dentistry in the State of Ohio, License No. 30.021908.
- C. DR. BUCK knowingly and voluntarily admits to the following:
  1. In his Ohio State Dental Board renewal application dated October 2, 2023 (Renewal Application), he answered "yes" to the following question: "Have you been notified of any formal charges, allegations, or complaints filed against you by any board, bureau, department, agency, or other body, including those in Ohio, other than this Board, with respect to a professional license, certificate, or registration since your last renewal, or if this is your first renewal, since your initial application?"

Despite this, he failed to disclose that on September 8, 2023, the State of Montana's Board of Dentistry, issued a final order approving, adopting, and incorporating all terms and conditions of the fully executed Stipulation which he signed on August 29, 2023, relating to Smile Direct Club.

- D. The OHIO STATE DENTAL BOARD enters into this CONSENT AGREEMENT in lieu of formal proceedings based upon any alleged violations of Section 4715.30(A)(1). The BOARD expressly reserves the right to institute formal proceedings based upon any other violations of Chapter 4715, ORC, whether occurring before or after the effective date of this CONSENT AGREEMENT.

### **AGREED CONDITIONS**

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and mutual promises hereinafter set forth, and in lieu of any further formal proceedings at this time, DR. BUCK's license is hereby CENSURED.

1. DR. BUCK shall successfully complete ten (10) hours of continuing education in the area of ethics. The education must be taken through a BOARD approved provider and must be approved in advance by the BOARD's Supervisory Investigative Panel (PANEL). Proof of successful completion of courses required in this paragraph shall be submitted to the PANEL within one hundred eighty (180) days from the date this CONSENT AGREEMENT is ratified by the BOARD. The continuing education hours shall not count towards the continuing education requirements set forth in section 4715.141, ORC.
2. DR. BUCK agrees that he shall not be released from this CONSENT AGREEMENT until he completes all of the above continuing education requirements.

### **FAILURE TO COMPLY**

3. Subject to the provisions of Chapter 119, as set forth below, DR. BUCK agrees that his license to practice dentistry may be automatically suspended if DR. BUCK has violated or breached any terms or conditions of this CONSENT AGREEMENT. Following the automatic suspension, the Board shall notify DR. BUCK via certified mail of the specific nature of the charges and automatic suspension of DR. BUCK's license. If, in the discretion of the Board, DR. BUCK appears to have violated or breached any terms or restrictions of this CONSENT AGREEMENT, the Board reserves the right to institute formal disciplinary proceedings for any and all possible violations or breaches, including, but not limited to, alleged violations of the laws of Ohio occurring before the effective date of this Consent Agreement.
4. In the event that DR. BUCK's license to practice dentistry is automatically suspended, during the period of suspension, DR. BUCK **may not**: 1) employ a licensed operator, e.g., dentists, and dental hygienists, and dental x-ray machine operators to perform dentistry or

dental hygiene duties or otherwise treat patients during the period of suspension, nor may any corporation, business, partnership or business entity owned in part or whole by DR. BUCK employ or enter into a legal contract with a licensed operator to perform dental or dental hygiene duties during the period of this suspension; or 2) derive income from a legal or beneficial interest in a dental practice.

#### **DURATION/MODIFICATION OF TERMS**

The terms and restrictions of this Consent Agreement may be modified or terminated, in writing, at any time upon the agreement of both DR. BUCK and the BOARD.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS/LIABILITY RELEASE**

Any action initiated by the BOARD based on alleged violations of this CONSENT AGREEMENT shall comply with the Administrative Procedure Act, Chapter 119, ORC.

DR. BUCK acknowledges and understands that this CONSENT AGREEMENT shall be considered a public record as that term is used in Section 149.43, ORC, and may be reported to any appropriate data bank or reporting agency. DR. BUCK acknowledges that his social security number will be used if the information is so reported, and DR. BUCK agrees to provide his social security number to the BOARD for such purposes.

DR. BUCK, with the intention of binding himself and his successors in interests and assigns, holds harmless from liability and forever discharges the State of Ohio, the BOARD, and any of their members, officers, attorneys, agents, and/or employees, personally or in their official capacities, from any and all claims that were raised or could have been raised in or relating to this matter, including but not limited to costs, expenses, attorney fees and/or all other damages.

DR. BUCK acknowledges that he has had adequate opportunity to ask questions concerning the terms of this CONSENT AGREEMENT and that all questions asked have been answered in a satisfactory manner.

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, and subject to the conditions and limitations stated herein, the BOARD hereby foregoes any disciplinary proceeding against DR. BUCK pending successful completion of these terms and conditions.

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

It is expressly understood that this CONSENT AGREEMENT is subject to ratification by the BOARD prior to signature by the President, Secretary and Vice Secretary and shall become effective upon the last date of signature below.

  
ERIC PAUL BUCK, D.D.S.

10/1/24  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
Counsel for DR. BUCK

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

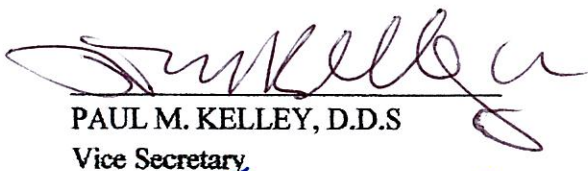
**OHIO STATE DENTAL BOARD**

  
CANISE Y. BEAN, D.M.D., M.P.H.  
President

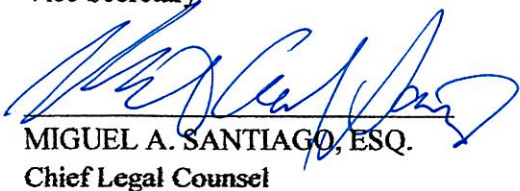
11/6/2024  
DATE

  
KATHY BRISLEY-SEDON, D.D.S.  
Secretary

11/6/2024  
DATE

  
PAUL M. KELLEY, D.D.S.  
Vice Secretary

11/6/2024  
DATE

  
MIGUEL A. SANTIAGO, ESQ.  
Chief Legal Counsel

11/6/24  
DATE

January 21, 2025

ERIC P BUCK, DDS  
5142 BLAZER PKWY  
DUBLIN, OH 43017

RE: Case # 2023-00515

Dear Dr. Buck:

On or about November 6, 2024, you entered into a Consent Agreement (Agreement) with the Ohio State Dental Board (Board), wherein your license to practice dentistry was censured. Additionally, you were required to successfully complete and submit documentation of completion of ten (10) hours of continuing education in the area of ethics, through a Board approved provider(s) and approved in advance by the Board's Supervisory Investigative Panel, within one hundred eighty (180) days from the date the Agreement was ratified by the Board.

You have complied with the conditions of the Consent Agreement and have fulfilled the terms. Your license to practice dentistry in the state of Ohio is fully restored, effective January 18, 2025.

Your cooperation in this matter has been greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

**OHIO STATE DENTAL BOARD**  
Supervisory Investigative Panel



KATHY BRISLEY-SEDON, DDS  
Secretary



PAUL M. KELLEY, DDS  
Vice Secretary

KBS/PK/hm