

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT RULE TO THE GEORGIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY RULES
CHAPTER 150-16, RULE 150-16-.01 INITIAL PLEADING. AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC
HEARING**

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia Board of Dentistry (hereinafter "Board") proposes a new Rule to Georgia Board of Dentistry Rules: Rule 150-16-.01 INITIAL PLEADING (hereinafter "proposed rule").

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed rule and a synopsis of the rule, is being forwarded to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on an interested parties list. A copy of this notice, an exact copy of the proposed rule, and a synopsis of the proposed rule may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Department of Community Health at 2 Peachtree Street, NW., Atlanta, Georgia, 30303. These documents will also be available for review on the Georgia Board of Dentistry's web page at <http://gbd.georgia.gov/>.

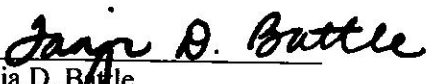
A public hearing is scheduled to begin at 12:00 PM on July 18, 2014 at the Department of Community Health at 2 Peachtree Street, NW., Atlanta, Georgia, 30303 to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed rule. At the public hearing, anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for the official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to 5 minutes per person. Additional comments should be presented in writing. Written comments are welcome. To ensure their consideration, written comments may be received prior to July 11, 2014. Written comments should be addressed to Executive Director of the Georgia Board of Dentistry at 2 Peachtree Street NW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303 FAX:678-717-6435. You may email your comments to tbattle@dch.ga.gov.

The proposed rule will be considered by the Georgia Board of Dentistry at its meeting scheduled to begin at 12:05 PM on July 18, 2014 at the Department of Community Health at 2 Peachtree Street, NW., Atlanta, Georgia, 30303. According to the Department of Law, State of Georgia, the Georgia State Board of Dentistry has the authority to adopt the proposed rule pursuant to authority contained in O.C.G.A §§ 43-1-3, 43-11-7, 43-11-47, 50-13-3, and 50-13-13.

At its meeting on March 14, 2014, the Board voted that the formulation and adoption of this rule does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A §§ 43-11-7, 43-11-9. The formulation and adoption of this rule will impact every licensee in the same manner, and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated and dominant in the field of dentistry.

For further information, contact the Board office at 404-651-8000. This notice is given in compliance with O.C.G.A. §50-13-4.

This 17th day of June, 2014



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**SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED RULE OF THE GEORGIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY RULES
CHAPTER 150-16, RULE 150-16-.01 INITIAL PLEADING**

Purpose of Rule: The purpose of this rule is to state how the hearing of a contested case is initiated.

Main Features: The main features of this rule are a statement of the information required for a pleading submitted for filing in a contested case and a statement of the information contained in a notice of hearing.

**PROPOSED RULE FOR THE GEORGIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY RULES
RULE 150-16-.01 INITIAL PLEADING**

NOTE: Struck through text is proposed to be deleted. Underlined text is proposed to be added.

150-16-.01 Initial Pleading

(1) The hearing in a contested case shall be commenced by the Board's filing of a notice of hearing directed to the respondent or respondents.

(2) Every pleading or other paper submitted for filing in a contested case, to the extent possible, shall contain the following:

(a) A title which indicates the nature of the proceeding and the parties involved therein;

(b) The name of the Board;

(c) A short and plain statement of the nature of the pleading (e.g. Answer, Motion for Continuance, etc.);

(d) In addition, the notice of hearing shall, to the extent possible, contain the following:

1. A short and plain statement of the matters asserted or the issues involved;

2. A clear and concise statement of the laws involved;

3. A notice of the rights of the person to whom the notice of hearing is directed;

4. A statement that an answer to the matters asserted is required; and

5. Any other information required by law or deemed appropriate by the Board.

Authority: O.C.G.A §§ 43-1-3, 43-11-7, 43-11-47, 50-13-3, and 50-13-13.