Honor Code for Initial Certification

I understand that I am entering into a binding, legal contract with the ABOMP and that to complete my application, I must affirmatively indicate my agreement to comply with the following terms. By signing, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and agree to be bound by the contract terms. I understand that if I do not agree to these terms, I will not be allowed to register.

I understand and agree that as an applicant:

I have the responsibility for supplying to the ABOMP information adequate for a proper evaluation of my credentials.

I have the responsibility to update any information required in connection with my application, including providing the ABOMP complete information relating to any restrictions on, or the suspension or revocation of, my professional license(s) within 60 days of any such restriction, suspension, or revocation.

I may be disqualified from sitting for an examination or from issuance of a certificate in the event that any of the statements hereinafter made on this application, or hereafter supplied by me to the ABOMP, are false or if I have failed to provide material information or in the event that any of the rules governing such examination are violated by me.

I request and authorize the evaluation and validation of my credentials in accordance with, and subject to, the rules and regulations of the ABOMP.

ABOMP may release the results of my examination(s) to the director of my oral pathology training program.

ABOMP may provide information to appropriate parties concerning my status as Board certified or not certified, dates and bases for action(s) related to my certification, and/or other appropriate information; all disclosures will be in compliance with the law.

All decisions as to my credentials and qualification for admission to the examination and for certification rest solely and exclusively in the ABOMP, that its decision is final, and my exclusive appeal from any adverse decision is pursuant to the ABOMP's rules and procedures.

I hereby release, discharge, covenant not to sue, and hold harmless the ABOMP, its Directors, officers, members, examiners, representatives, agents, and any person who supplies information regarding my credentials from any actions, suits, claims, demands, or damages arising out of, or in connection with any action taken by any of them regarding this application, the gathering, collecting, and use of information about my practice or education, the results given with respect to any examination, the failure of the ABOMP to certify me, or the revocation of any certificate.

I understand and agree that in order to maintain a fair and secure testing process that:

The examination and all test questions are the exclusive property of the ABOMP and are protected by copyright law. Because of the confidential and proprietary nature of these copyrighted materials, I agree not to retain, copy, disclose, discuss, share, reveal, distribute, or use for exam preparation any part of these examination materials, including memorized, reconstructed, and recalled items.

The following actions may be sufficient cause for ABOMP, in its sole discretion, to terminate my participation in an examination, to invalidate the results of my examination, to withhold or revoke my scores or certificate, to bar me from future examination, or to take other appropriate action.

The giving or receiving of aid in an examination, as evidenced either by observation or by statistical analysis of incorrect answers of one or more participants in the examination, including, but not limited to:

Referring to books, notes, or other devices at any time after the start of the examination, including breaks. This prohibited material includes written information or information transferred by electronic, acoustical, or other means.

Any transfer of information or signals between candidates during the administration of the examination, including breaks.

Any appearance of looking at the computer screen of another candidate during the examination.

Allowing another candidate to view one's answers or otherwise assisting another candidate in the examination.

Recording, replicating, recalling, or discussing examination questions, and taking any information on examination questions, such as notes or diagrams outside the examination room.

The unauthorized possession, reproduction, disclosure, discussion, or distribution of any examination materials, including, but not limited to, examination questions, answers, reconstructed and recalled items at any time before, during, or after the examination.

The offering of any benefit to any agent of the ABOMP in return for any right, privilege, or benefit which is not usually granted by the ABOMP to other similarly situated candidates or persons.

The ABOMP may require me to retake one or more portions of an examination if presented with sufficient evidence that the security of the examination has been compromised, notwithstanding the absence of any evidence of my personal involvement in such compromise.

I understand and agree that:

If I meet all of the qualifications for certification, my certificate will be valid for as long as I stay current will all requirements of the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology Certification Maintenance program.

I understand that the ABOMP will release the results of my examination anonymously, in a quartile comparison, to the director of my oral and maxillofacial pathology residency training program. Further, I understand that the ABOMP will reply to requests concerning my diplomate status as either Board certified, or not Board certified. All disclosures will be in compliance with the law

I agree to be legally bound by the foregoing.