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To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to officially protest the nomination and potential/subsequent election of Dr. Kenneth Sadler and Dr. Clifford Feingold to the NC Board of Dental Examiners. Neither of these dentists currently, or in the past year or more, are or have been 'actually engaged in the practice of dentistry'. I was informed by Dr. Sadler's receptionist that he 'hasn't seen or treated patients in over two years', and he apparently has recently sold his dental office. Additionally, I spoke with a receptionist at the most recent business address of Dr. Feingold, and was informed that he has 'retired' and no longer treats patients.

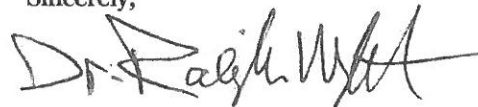
Article 2: 90-22 of the Dental Practice Act states:

"No dentist shall be nominated for or elected to membership on said Board, unless, at the time of such nomination and election such person is licensed to practice dentistry in North Carolina and actually engaged in the practice of dentistry."

I realize that an extraneous 'interpretation' of 'practicing dentistry' will probably be proposed. However, I have spoken to administrators at several other State Dental Boards with similar laws - and they all have interpreted their laws to imply that their Board members should be actually **treating patients on a regular basis**. It seems obvious to me that the purpose of this designation in our Dental Practice Act is so that the members of the Dental Board - who approve, investigate, evaluate and ultimately judge the other dentists in the state - should be actively 'engaged' in 'wet-fingered' dentistry. My honest opinion is that the other dentists of North Carolina would agree with upholding this statute, and I request that both applicants' names be removed from consideration for this year's election.

Please let me know of your final determination and if I need to submit this official protest to a higher authority.

Sincerely,



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