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## **Governor Musgrove Appoints Dr. Thurmond Beasley To Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners**

Jackson, MS – Governor Ronnie Musgrove appointed Thurmond Beasley, DDS, of Tupelo to the Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners for a term ending June 30, 2006.

“Dr. Beasley has demonstrated his commitment to quality health care in Mississippi, and that commitment will continue with his service on this board,” Musgrove said. “I appreciate his willingness to serve and the experience he brings to the table.”

Beasley has been on staff of the North Mississippi Medical Center and the Baptist Memorial Hospital for over 20 years. He received his B.S. degree in chemistry from Jackson State University and completed his D.D.S. at Meharry Medical Center in Nashville, Tennessee. Beasley has worked in a Tupelo dentistry practice since 1974. He is a member of the American Dental Association, Mississippi Dental Association, and National Dental Society. He serves on the advisory board of the Headstart, the State Economic Development Council, and the Three Rivers Planning and Development District. Beasley has three children.

The function of the State Board of Dental Examiners includes determining qualifications and issuing licenses to dentist and dental hygienists, regulating the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene within the state, promulgating rules and regulations governing the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene within the State, and keeping current records on all licensed dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants.