

GENERAL DENTAL COUNCIL

AND

BULLARD, Clifford

[Registration number: 67016]

NOTICE OF INQUIRY

SUBSTANTIVE HEARING

Notice that an inquiry will be conducted by a Practice Committee of the General Dental Council, to be held at:

**The General Dental Council
37 Wimpole Street
London
W1G 8DQ**

Commencing at **10:00am** on **28 July 2025**.

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Committee members

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CHARGE

Clifford BULLARD, a dentist, BDS University of Birmingham 1991, is summoned to appear before the Professional Conduct Committee on 28 July 2025 for an inquiry into the following charge:

“That being a registered dentist:

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Witness LS

1. During the course of Witness LS's employment at Practice 1 you:
 - a) told Witness LS to mix alginate like she was masturbating someone, or words to that effect;
 - b) on one or more occasions, whilst with Witness LS at Practice 1 you:
 - i. compared your penis to the size of a filling tray;
 - ii. said to Witness LS *“It would never go all the way in”* or words to that effect;
 - c) pulled Witness LS onto your lap and bounced her up and down;
 - d) said to Witness LS, during an appointment in which a patient had a seizure, *“I bet you wished you were sat on top of him”* or words to this effect;
 - e) said to Witness LS, during an appointment in which you provided Witness LS with braces, *“I bet you'd be good at oral sex”* or words to that effect;
 - f) on one or more occasions, whilst at Practice 1, held onto your genitals in the presence of witness LS and said *“Stop looking at me”* or words to that effect;
 - g) called Witness LS a *“fucking idiot”*, or words to that effect, after she had made you a hot drink;
 - h) threw a patient's extracted teeth across a treatment room, whilst the Patient was still being treated.
2. Your conduct in respect to charge 1.a) and/or 1.b)i. and/or 1.b)ii. and/or 1.c) and/or 1.d) and/or 1.e) and/or 1.f) was:
 - a) inappropriate;
 - b) unprofessional;
 - c) sexually motivated;
 - d) harassing.
3. Your conduct in respect to charge 1.g) and/or 1.h) was:
 - a) inappropriate;

- b) unprofessional.

Witness MH

4. During the course of Witness MH's employment at Practice 1 you:
 - a) on one or more occasions, whilst at Practice 1, used your arm to indicate to Witness MH the size of your penis;
 - b) on one or more occasions, whilst at Practice 1, said to Witness MH "*I was dreaming about you last night*" or words to that effect;
 - c) pulled Witness MH towards you by her tunic, whilst she was providing you with chair side assistance and in doing so pinched her skin;
 - d) on one occasion threw cotton wool rolls across a treatment room and said to Witness MH "*I don't want you to do it like this*", or words to that effect.
5. Your conduct in respect to charge 4.a) and/or 4.b) was:
 - a) inappropriate;
 - b) unprofessional;
 - c) sexually motivated;
 - d) harassing.
6. Your conduct in respect to charge 4.c) and/or 4.d) was:
 - a) inappropriate;
 - b) unprofessional;

Witness CL

7. During the course of Witness CL's employment at Practice 1 you:
 - a) whilst at practice 1, threw cotton wool rolls at Witness CL;
 - b) whilst inside of a car during a domiciliary visit with Witness CL, grabbed her hand and put it on the top of your leg;
 - c) on one or more occasions (other than specified in Charge 7.b)) whilst inside of a car during a domiciliary visit with Witness CL, put your hand on top of Witness CL's hand, whilst rubbing the steering wheel of the car with your other hand;
 - d) on one or more occasions, said to Witness CL:
 - i. "*I've got a big cock*" or words to that effect;
 - ii. "*I can have any woman I want*" or words to that effect;
 - e) on one occasion, whilst at Practice 1, kissed Witness CL on her lips;

- f) on one or more occasions, whilst at Practice 1, asked Witness CL to go to a house with you so that you could be alone together, or words to that effect;
- g) on one occasion, whilst in the stock room at Practice 1 with Witness CL:
 - i. Showed her your penis;
 - ii. Compared your penis to the size of a filing tray.
- 8. Your conduct in respect to charge 7.b) and/or 7.c) and/or 7.d)i. and/or 7.d)ii. and/or 7.e) and/or 7.f) and/or 7.g)i. and/or 7.g)ii. Was:
 - a) inappropriate;
 - b) unprofessional;
 - c) sexually motivated;
 - d) harassing.
- 9. Your conduct in respect to charge 7.a) was:
 - a) inappropriate;
 - b) unprofessional.

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Witness SC

- 10. During the course of Witness SC's employment at Practice 1, you:
 - a) told Witness SC that if you were ever stressed that she should "*rub you on your legs*", or words to that effect;
 - b) asked Witness SC "*do you feel like hanging yourself*", or words to that effect;
 - c) During an appointment that took place at some stage during the Covid pandemic:
 - i. grabbed a light from Witness SC's hand;
 - ii. threw an instrument across the surgery;
 - iii. grabbed Witness SC's hand and pulled it towards you;
 - d) told Nurse RW that Witness SC was an awful nurse and did not have a clue what she was doing, or words to that effect;
 - e) made comments, along the lines of:
 - i. football coaches mess with young boys;
 - ii. Catholic priests mess around with young boys;
 - iii. Muslim men sexually assault members of their family;
 - f) said to Nurse RW "*look at this*", or words to that effect, whilst your hand was touching your penis.

11. Your conduct in respect to charge 10.a) and/or 10.b) and/or 10.c) i. and/or 10.c) ii. and/or 10.c) iii. and/or 10.d) and/or 10.e) i. and/or 10.e) ii. and/or 10.e) iii. was:

- a) inappropriate;
- b) unprofessional.

12. Your conduct in respect to charge 10.f) was:

- c) inappropriate;
- d) unprofessional;
- e) sexually motivated.

AND that by reason of the matters alleged above, your fitness to practise is impaired by reason of misconduct.”