

# **EXHIBIT 3**

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

IN RE AMERICAN DENTAL PARTNERS, INC.  
SECURITIES LITIGATION

No. 08-cv-10119-RGS  
(Consolidated Action)

**SUMMARY NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF CLASS ACTION,  
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT, MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES  
AND EXPENSES, AND HEARING ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT**

**TO: ALL PERSONS OR ENTITIES WHO PURCHASED OR ACQUIRED  
AMERICAN DENTAL PARTNERS, INC. COMMON STOCK BETWEEN AND  
INCLUDING FEBRUARY 25, 2004 AND DECEMBER 13, 2007 (THE "CLASS")**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Lead Plaintiff in the above-captioned pending class action (the "Action") has reached a proposed settlement with the defendants, American Dental Partners, Inc. ("ADPI"), Gregory A. Serrao, Breht T. Feigh and Mark W. Vargo (collectively, the "Defendants"), whereby (1) Defendants will cause a total of \$6,000,000.00 to be paid out of insurance proceeds available to them under a Directors, Officers and Corporate Liability Insurance Policy issued to ADPI, for the benefit of the Class, and (2) the Class members will dismiss and release certain claims against the Defendants (the "Settlement").

A hearing will be held on \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, at \_\_\_\_\_, before the Honorable Richard G. Stearns in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, John Joseph Moakley United States Courthouse, 1 Courthouse Way, Boston, MA 02210, to determine (1) whether this Action should be certified as a class action for purposes of the Settlement; (2) whether the Settlement should be approved as fair, reasonable and adequate; (3) whether the Action should be dismissed with prejudice against the Defendants and the claims against the Defendants released; and (4) whether the application submitted by Lead Plaintiff's counsel for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of expenses should be granted.

IF YOU ARE A MEMBER OF THE CLASS DESCRIBED ABOVE, YOUR RIGHTS WILL BE AFFECTED AND YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO SHARE IN THE NET SETTLEMENT AMOUNT. If you have not yet received the full printed Notice of Pendency of Class Action, Proposed Settlement, Motion for Attorneys' Fees and Expenses, and Hearing on Proposed Settlement and a Proof of Claim and Release form ("Claim Form"), you may obtain copies of these documents by contacting the Claims Administrator:

American Dental Partners, Inc. Securities Litigation  
Claims Administrator  
c/o Administar Services Group  
P.O. Box 56380  
Jacksonville, FL 32241-6380  
Tel: (866) 880-8634

To participate in the Settlement, you will be required to submit a Claim Form no later than \_\_\_\_\_. If you are a Class member and do not exclude yourself from the Class, you will be bound by the Final Order and Judgment of the Court. To exclude yourself from the Class, you must submit a request for exclusion postmarked no later than \_\_\_\_\_. Any objections to the Settlement must be filed by \_\_\_\_\_. If you are a Class member and do not submit a proper Claim Form, you will not share in the Settlement but you nevertheless will be bound by the Final Order and Judgment of the Court.

Inquiries, other than requests for copies of the Notice and Claim Form or for inclusion on the mailing list for future notices, may be directed to Lead Counsel for the Class:

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BY ORDER OF THE COURT.