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RE: E/O Robert N. Brown v. Summa Health Systems, et al.
Summit County Court of Common Pleas (Judge Unruh)
Case No.: 2000-05-2409
Our File No.: 5957-02-1087A-00

Dear Ms. Healy Petrello:

At your request, I have agreed to review the above matter on behalf of your clients
Ellet Family Medical Center, including Dr. Leonard and Mr. Fox, P.A.

Specifically, I have received and carefully reviewed the following records:

1. 02/23/96 Doppler Study
2. 02/29/96 - 03/03/96
Femoral artery bypass, right to left
Arteriogram
3. Ellet Family Medical Center
4. 02/25/98 - 02/26/98
Arteriography of femoral & LE
Aortography
5. 03/03/98 - 03/08/98
Arterial embolism or thrombus of LE
6. 12/05/98 - death
Summa Health

7. Coroner's information
8. Plaintiff's expert report of Dennis Olivates, PA-C
9. Plaintiff's expert report of Richard Weinberger, M.D.
10. Plaintiff's expert report (addendum) of Richard Weinberger, M.D.

After critical review of the above listed documents, I feel comfortable offering the following opinions with a reasonable degree of medical certainty:

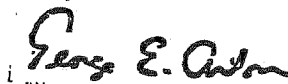
1. The care rendered by Dr. Leonard Ellet Family Medical Center was both timely and appropriate and complied with the standard of care expected of a family care physician in that community.
2. The care rendered by Mr. Fox, P.A. was both timely and appropriate and met with the standard of care of a physicians assistant.
3. The unavoidable tragic patient outcome was not directly caused by any action or inaction by the above named defendants.

In summary, I see no evidence of negligence or medical malpractice on behalf of Mr. Ellet Family Medical Center, including Dr. Leonard and Mr. Fox, P.A.

I have formulated these opinions and summarized my conclusions in an unbiased fashion, with a reasonable degree of medical certainty and I am willing to testify as such under oath.

Should you require further amplification or further record review, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



George E. Anton, M.D.

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