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STATE OF MARYLAND

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CIVIL DIVISION

Raymona Smith-Wilson, M.D.
Aurelius K. Wilson
10800 Forestgate Place
Glendale, MD 20769

Plaintiffs

v.

Metropolitan OB GYN & Associates, LLC
920 940 W. North Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21217
c/o Resident Agent:
Cyrus Lawyer, III, M.D.
Suite 501
301 St. Paul Place
Baltimore, MD 21202

and

Cyrus Lawyer, III, M.D.
301 St. Paul Place, Suite 501
Baltimore, MD 21202

and

James Lawrence Fitzpatrick, M.D.
301 St. Paul Place, Suite 304
Baltimore, MD 21202

and

Mercy Medical Center, Inc.
301 Saint Paul Place
Baltimore, MD 21202
c/o Resident Agent, Linda H. Jones
218 N. Charles Street, Suite 400
Baltimore, MD 21201

and

Civil Action No.

24-C-06-004915

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TOTAL	\$245.00

COMMENT:
RAYMONA SMITH-WILSON VS
METROPOLITAN OB GYN &
ASSOC, ETAL

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University of Maryland Surgical)
 Associates, P.A.)
 University of Maryland Hospital)
 22 South Greene Street)
 Baltimore, MD 21201)
 c/o Resident Agent, Debra D. Carey)
 22 South Street, Room N4E35)
 Baltimore, MD 21201)
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)
 Defendants.)

**COMPLAINT
 (COUNT I)**

(Medical Negligence Claim of Raymona Smith-Wilson)

1. The amount of this claim exceeds \$25,000.00. The venue of this claim is proper in Baltimore City, Maryland.

2. Plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson is of full age, a resident of Prince George's County, Maryland, and a citizen of the United States.

3. Plaintiff Aurelius Wilson is of full age, a resident of Prince George's County, Maryland, and a citizen of the United States.

4. At all times mentioned herein plaintiffs Raymona Smith-Wilson and Aurelius Wilson exercised due care.

5. At all times mentioned herein plaintiffs Raymona Smith-Wilson and Aurelius Wilson were and are husband and wife.

6. At all times relevant hereto, defendant Metropolitan OB GYN & Associates, LLC was a health care facility located in Baltimore City, Maryland, duly

licensed and accredited, and providing health care services to those persons in need thereof, including the plaintiff, Raymona Smith-Wilson.

7. At all times relevant hereto, defendant Cyrus Lawyer, III, M.D. was a duly licensed physician in the State of Maryland, practicing in the field of obstetrics and gynecology, who provided medical services to patients in need thereof, including the plaintiff, Raymona Smith-Wilson.

8. At all times relevant hereto, defendant Cyrus Lawyer, III, M.D., was an agent, servant, and/or employee, real or ostensible, of defendant Metropolitan OB GYN and Associates, L.L.C.

9. At all times relevant hereto, defendant J. Lawrence Fitzpatrick, M.D., was a duly licensed medical professional in the State of Maryland, practicing in the field of general surgery and providing care to patients in need thereof, including plaintiff, Raymona Smith-Wilson.

10. At all times relevant hereto, defendant Mercy Medical Center, Inc. was a duly licensed corporation, incorporated in the State of Maryland, which provided medical services, through its agents, servants and/or employees, real or ostensible, to patients at Mercy Medical Center, including plaintiff, Raymona Smith-Wilson.

11. At all times relevant hereto, Cyrus Lawyer, III, M.D. and J. Lawrence Fitzpatrick, M.D., were agents, servants and/or employees, real or ostensible, of defendant Mercy Medical Center.

12. At all times relevant hereto, defendant University of Maryland Surgical Associates, PA, was a duly licensed PA in the State of Maryland, which provided

medical and/or surgical services, through its employees, servants, and/or agents, real or apparent, including James Lawrence Fitzpatrick, M.D. to patients, including plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson.

13. Plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson was a long-time patient of defendant Cyrus Lawyer, III, M.D.

14. Plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson was admitted to Mercy Medical Center on July 8, 2003 under the care of Dr. Lawyer who performed a total abdominal hysterectomy (TAH) and bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy (BSO) for uterine fibroids on this date.

15. While performing the TAH and BSO, Dr. Lawyer injured the bowel by cutting a hole in the anterior wall of the rectum.

16. Upon discovery of this injury to the bowel/colon, Dr. Lawyer called defendant J. Lawrence Fitzpatrick, M.D., a general surgeon for help repairing the hole in the bowel.

17. Upon inspection of the open abdominal cavity, Dr. Fitzpatrick noted that plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson had endometriosis, that the left colon and sigmoid colon was full of formed stool, and the hole in the rectum. He observed no other associated injuries and documented no other abnormalities in the pelvis and abdominal cavity.

18. On July 8, 2003, both Dr. Fitzpatrick and Dr. Lawyer were aware that plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson had a history of prior abdominal/pelvic surgeries.

19. Despite the foregoing, the defendants performed a primary repair and stitched the hole in the rectum rather than perform a diverting colostomy, to assure safe healing and prevention of leaking fecal contents from the colon into the pelvis and abdomen.

20. On July 12, 2003, plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson noticed and reported to her healthcare providers that she was passing a lot of gas and brownish colored foul smelling discharge from her vagina.

21. On July 13, 2003, plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson noticed and reported to her healthcare providers that she was passing stool through her vagina.

22. On or about July 14, 2003, a CT scan of the abdomen and pelvis with contrast was performed.

23. The CT scan revealed the presence of a rectovaginal/ colovaginal fistula, which is an abnormal passage between the rectum/colon and the vagina which permitted feces to pass into and through the vagina. It also revealed fecal debris between the colon and the vagina, peritonitis and abnormal amounts of free intraperitoneal air for a patient who was six (6) days post operation like plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson.

24. On or about July 14, 2003, Dr. Fitzpatrick rushed Mrs. Smith-Wilson back to surgery to undergo an emergency exploratory laparotomy and a colostomy.

25. Plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson was discharged on July 25, 2003 after a long and prolonged hospitalization due to wound infection and peritonitis. She was

discharged to home with a colostomy covered by a colostomy bag for collection of fecal material and home health care for her wound infection.

26. Between July 25, 2003 and July 12, 2004, plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson was under the care of Dr. Lawyer and Dr. Fitzpatrick. During this period of time plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson experienced symptoms which suggested she still had some colon drainage into her vagina which could not be ruled out with a Barium enema study.

27. On or about July 12, 2004, she was readmitted to Mercy Medical Center by Dr. Fitzpatrick for surgery to check for drainage into the vagina, resection of the rectovaginal fistula and to undo and close the colostomy. Upon opening the abdominal cavity, Dr. Fitzpatrick discovered that a small hole was still present and that extensive adhesions had formed throughout her pelvis and abdominal cavity.

28. Plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson was forced to undergo more surgery to create an ileostomy to divert liquid stool out of the body and away from the area of the colostomy repair so that it could heal safely and prevent further leaking of fecal contents into the vagina, pelvis or abdomen.

29. Plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson was discharged to home with the ileostomy and the attached ileostomy bag for collection of fecal material on or about July 20, 2004.

30. Between July 20, 2004 and November 1, 2004, plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson was under the care of Dr. Lawyer and Dr. Fitzpatrick.

31. On or about November 1, 2004 plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson was readmitted to Mercy Medical Center by Dr. Fitzpatrick for take down/closure of the ileostomy. She was discharged on November 7, 2004.

32. From July 8, 2003 through the present, plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson has endured pain, discomfort, infection, unnecessary surgery, scarring, disfigurement, embarrassment, humiliation, diminished sense of womanhood, and sexual dysfunction, among other injuries and damages. All of her injuries and damages are permanent.

33. Plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson's injuries and damages are a direct and proximate result of the negligence of defendants Cyrus Lawyer, III, M.D., Metropolitan OB GYN & Associates, LLC, its agents, real or apparent, and/or its employees, including Cyrus Lawyer, III, M.D., J. Lawrence Fitzpatrick, M.D., Mercy Medical Center, Inc., its agents, real or apparent, and/or its employees including but not limited to Cyrus Lawyer, III, M.D., and J. Lawrence Fitzpatrick, M.D. and University of Maryland Surgical Associates, P.A. its agents, real or apparent, and/or its employees including but not limited to J. Lawrence Fitzpatrick, M.D., including, but not limited to, the following particulars:

a. failure to order or direct plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson to undergo any bowel/gastrointestinal tract preparation or cleansing prior to the July 8, 2003 surgery given her known preexisting medical and surgical history;

b. failure to direct, order or perform a colostomy on July 8, 2003 given plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson's known preexisting medical and surgical history and surgical findings;

- c. failure to promptly obtain tests in response to plaintiff's complaints;
- d. failure to recognize that the plaintiff would suffer undue and unnecessary injury and harm if a colostomy was not performed on July 8, 2003;
- e. failure to recognize, evaluate, protect and preserve the plaintiff's gynecological and gastrointestinal function;
- f. failure to appreciate the significance of, and act in the face of plaintiff's previous history and physical findings;
- j. plaintiff also relies upon *res ipsa loquitur* and lack of informed consent;
- k. the defendants were otherwise negligent;
- l. plaintiff was not negligent and did not contribute to her own injuries.

34. As a direct and proximate result of the aforesaid negligence of the defendants, plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson has suffered serious, permanent and disabling damage to her mind and body, including, but not limited to pain, discomfort, infection, unnecessary surgery, scarring, disfigurement, embarrassment, humiliation, diminished sense of womanhood, and sexual dysfunction. As a further proximate result of the negligence of said defendants, plaintiff has suffered a loss of earnings and earning capacity in the past and will suffer a loss of future earnings and earning capacity, and the ability to lead a normal life. As a further proximate result of the negligence of said defendants, plaintiff has in the past, and will in the future, experience pain, suffering, mental anguish, emotional and psychological distress, depression, embarrassment and humiliation. All of her injuries and damages are permanent.

Plaintiffs pray for all relief allowed in this jurisdiction.

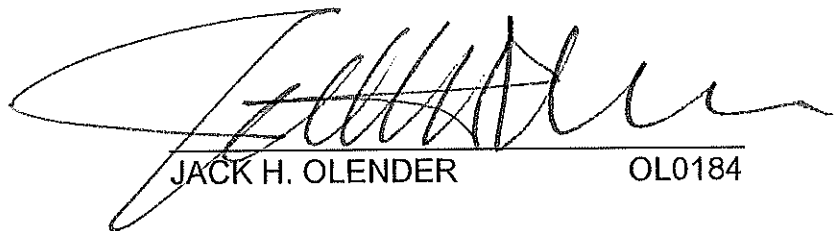
COUNT II
(Joint Loss of Consortium)

1-34. Plaintiffs Raymona Smith-Wilson and Aurelius Wilson incorporate herein paragraphs numbered 1 through 34 of Count I as paragraphs numbered 1 through 34 of Count II.

35. At time of the injury to plaintiff Raymona Smith-Wilson, as well as at the present time, plaintiffs Aurelius Wilson and Raymona Smith-Wilson were and are now husband and wife.

36. As a direct and proximate result of the failure of the defendants to meet the applicable standard of care as set forth herein, plaintiffs Aurelius Wilson and Raymona Smith-Wilson, jointly suffered a loss of consortium to the detriment of their marital relationship, suffered a loss of companionship and society, damage to their family, social and sexual relationships, and suffered damage to and an impairment of their social and recreational activities, all of which is permanent.

Plaintiffs pray for all relief allowed in this jurisdiction.



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REQUEST FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiffs request a trial by jury as to all issues so triable.

Jack H. Olander

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(OL0184)

Circuit Court for Baltimore City

City or County

CIVIL-NON-DOMESTIC CASE INFORMATION REPORT

Directions:

Plaintiff: This Information Report must be completed and attached to the complaint filed with the Clerk of Court unless your case is exempted from the requirement by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals pursuant to Rule 2-111(a). A copy must be included for each defendant to be served.

Defendant: You must file an Information Report as required by Rule 2-323(h).

THIS INFORMATION REPORT CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AS AN ANSWER OR RESPONSE.

FORM FILED BY: PLAINTIFF DEFENDANT CASE NUMBER: _____ (Click to insert)

CASE NAME: Raymona Smith Wilson, M.D., et al. v Metropolitan OB GYN & Associates, LLC, et al.

JURY DEMAND: Yes No Anticipated length of trial: _____ hours or 8 days

RELATED CASE PENDING? Yes No If yes, Case #(s), if known: _____

Special Requirements? Interpreter/communication impairment Which language _____
(Attach Form 1-332 if Accommodation or Interpreter Needed) Which dialect _____
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NATURE OF ACTION
(CHECK ONE BOX)

DAMAGES/RELIEF

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ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION INFORMATION

Is this case appropriate for referral to an ADR process under Md. Rule 17-101? (Check all that apply)

A. Mediation Yes No C. Settlement Conference Yes No
B. Arbitration Yes No D. Neutral Evaluation Yes No

TRACK REQUEST

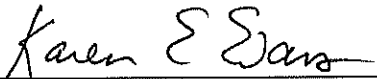
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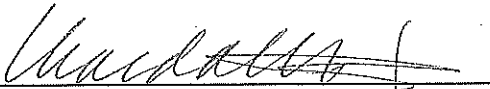
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PLEASE SEE PAGE TWO OF THIS FORM FOR INSTRUCTIONS PERTAINING TO THE BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS IF YOU ARE FILING YOUR COMPLAINT IN BALTIMORE COUNTY, BALTIMORE CITY, OR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY.

Date _____ Signature _____

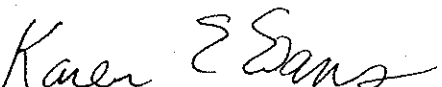

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing will be served on each defendant on the same date and in the same manner as the Summons and Complaint.


KAREN E. EVANS

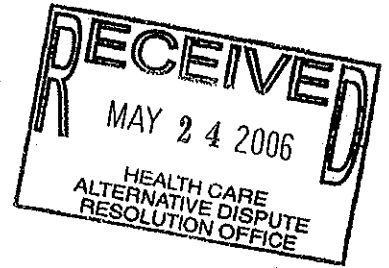
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Karen E Evans

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IN THE HEALTH CARE ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE
RESOLUTION OFFICE



Raymona Smith-Wilson,
Aureleus Wilson

Plaintiffs,

v.

Metropolitan OB GYN & Associates, LLC,
et al.,

Defendants

HCR No. _____

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT AND REPORT¹

I, Robert J. Baker, M.D., do certify and affirm that:

1. I am a licensed health care provider in the State of Illinois.
2. I devote less than 20 percent of my professional activities annually to activities that directly involve testimony in medical malpractice claims.
3. I have reviewed the medical records concerning this case.
4. Based on my review of the medical records, it is my opinion to a reasonable degree of medical probability that the care and treatment rendered by Healthcare providers/Defendants Metropolitan OB GYN and Associates, LLC, Cyrus Lawyer, III, M.D., J. Lawrence Fitzpatrick, M.D., Mercy Medical Center, Inc. and University of Maryland Surgical Associates, P.A. to Raymona Smith-Wilson, M.D., deviated from the standard of care.
5. It is also my opinion to a reasonable degree of medical probability that the

¹ Attached as Exhibit 1.

injuries suffered by Raymona Smith Wilson, M.D., were caused by the breaches in the standard of care by Healthcare providers/Defendants J. Lawrence Fitzpatrick, M.D., and Mercy Medical Center, Inc. and University of Maryland Surgical Associates, PA acting through their employees, servants, and agents, real or apparent, including but not limited to J. Lawrence Fitzpatrick, MD.


6 I further certify that I have had clinical experience, provided consultation relating to clinical practice, and/or taught medicine in the fields of surgery and gynecology and/or related fields of health care, within five (5) years of the date of the above-identified acts or omissions giving rise to this claim.

I further certify that I am board-certified in general surgery that I have taught medicine in this specialty or a related field of health care.



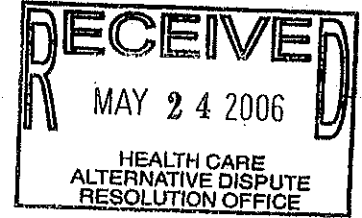
ROBERT J. BAKER, M.D.

I hereby certify that the above Certificate of Merit and Report is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.



ROBERT J. BAKER, M.D.

Robert J. Baker, M.D.
University of Chicago Hospitals
Department of Surgery
5841 S. Maryland Avenue
MC 5093
Chicago, IL 60637



RE: Smith-Wilson v. Metropolitan OB GYN & Associates, LLC

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I have reviewed the medical records regarding care rendered to Raymona Smith-Wilson, and I am of the opinion that there was a violation of the standard of care by the Defendants/Health Care providers J. Lawrence Fitzpatrick, M.D., Mercy Medical Center, Inc., and University of Maryland Surgical Associates, PA acting through their employees, servants, and agents, real or apparent, including but not limited to J. Lawrence Fitzpatrick, MD.

It is also my opinion that, as a direct cause of the violations of the standard of care by the Defendants/Health Care Providers, Claimant, Raymona Smith-Wilson, was injured.

I further certify that I have had clinical experience, provided consultation relating to clinical practice, and/or taught medicine in the fields of surgery and general surgery or related fields of health care, within five (5) years of the date of the above-identified acts or omissions giving rise to this claim.

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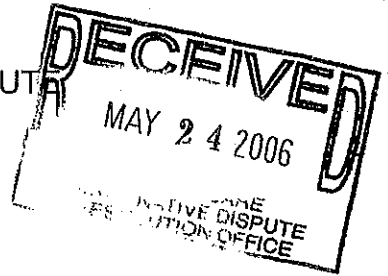
Further, I do not spend more than 20% of my professional time involving testimony in personal injury cases.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert J. Baker". The signature is written in a cursive style.

ROBERT J. BAKER, M.D.

IN THE HEALTH CARE ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE
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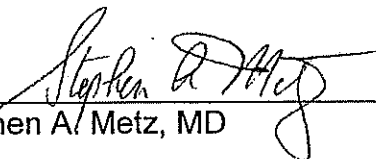
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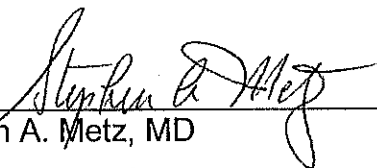
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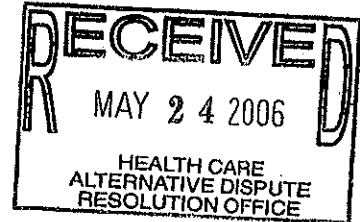
Stephen A. Metz, MD

I hereby certify that the above Certificate of Merit and Report is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.



Stephen A. Metz, MD

Stephen A. Metz, M.D., Ph.D.
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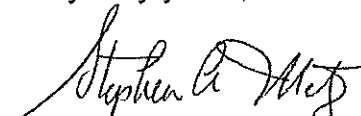
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Stephen A. Metz, MD

IN THE HEALTH CARE ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION OFFICE

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HCA No. 2006-196

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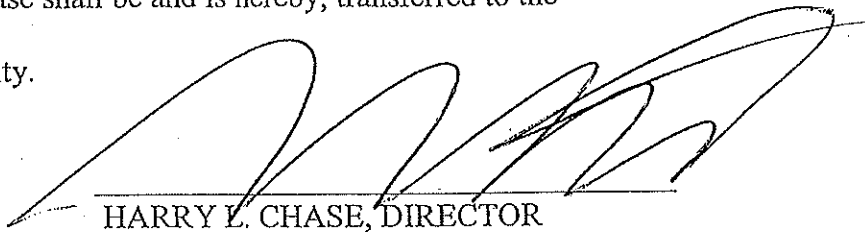
Health Care Providers

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ORDER OF TRANSFER

The Claimant, having elected a Waiver of Arbitration under the provisions of the Annotated Code of Maryland, Courts and Judicial Proceedings Article, Section 3-2A-06B it is this 25th Day of May, 2006, by the Health Care Alternative Dispute Resolution Office,

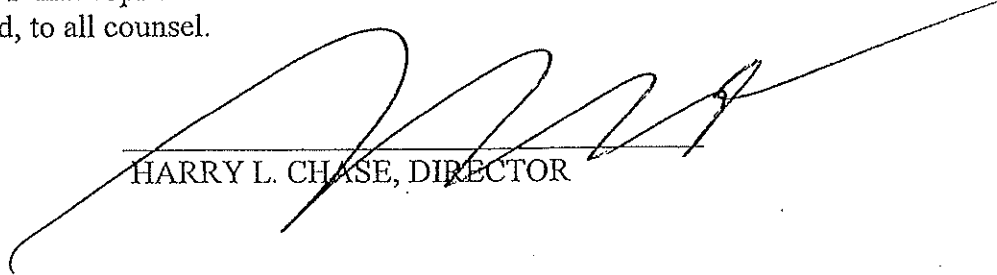
ORDERED that this case shall be and is hereby, transferred to the Circuit Court for Baltimore City.



HARRY L. CHASE, DIRECTOR
Health Care Alternative Dispute Resolution Office

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that copies of the above ORDER OF TRANSFER have been mailed, postage prepaid, to all counsel.



HARRY L. CHASE, DIRECTOR