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Dear Assemblyman Richman;

We first spoke with you at a Christmas parade in Granada Hills a few years back, where you handed out sports water bottles with your name tattooed to them, as you intended to run for some other office, possibly. You seemed very pleasant back then, and my opinion hasn't changed.

We have since moved to Chatsworth, we love it, redneck and conservative!

Maps from a state level to determine who my assembly member might be really suck though! Searching by my zipcode, I come up with 3 possibilities, your "map" shows you the closest to our home location, and you're republican, sooo, **tag**, you're it!

I have a bone to pick with all of California's Assembly Members – **YOU SLIPPED!** You let legislation get written by defective doctors, and get passed on 17 August 1998. The legislation I refer to is AB2719, sponsored by DemoRAT Gallegos, that adds section 2030.5 to our Business and Professions Code/Medical Practice Act.

In essence, I registered a complaint against a Dr. Timothy Sprague, Holy Cross Hospital, and Trinity Health for improper medical practice, with the California Medical Board. My Holy Cross mis-adventure occurred in 1991 and 1992 – and is quite well defined at: <http://borderline.gotdns.org/myhepchistory.html> - for reference only, I have no real intent to steer you towards my web pages... A doctor on alcohol/drugs ('dr on drugs' for short) nearly killed me back in 1991. Thanks to some other **good** medical work, I was saved from his bad work, and survived that much of the experience.

However, unbeknownst to me at time of release from Holy Cross, was that he managed to take a second stab at my life. Last year, 26 July, 2002 I received phone call from a GP at Kaiser Permanente informing me based on blood test results it looked like I had the hepatitis C disease.

It sure did back then, and still does now. Only I know much more about this disease now, than I did back then. I put myself on an INFORMATION OVERLOAD education mission. And in all honesty, could well qualify for an 'honorary' hep C PhD.

Back to my filed complaint. I will quote the pertinent section of the letter I received from them yesterday:

Effective August 17, 1998 Section 2230.5 was added to the Business and Professions Code/Medical Practice Act. This section of the law prohibits the Medical Board of California from pursuing any complaint based upon an incident which took place more than seven (7) years prior to the date the complaint was filed.

As the incident referred to in your complaint took place more than seven years ago, we have closed your complaint without taking further action. We will, however, maintain this information on file.

Gee, I feel honored they are going to maintain a file of my complaint!

**Excuse me!** I know how I got my hepatitis! Due to a 'Dr. on Drugs' mis-performing a "minor procedure" on me, and almost **killing me** in the process, I was the recipient of 70+ pints of blood and 1+ month daily dialysis. Either could have caused my hepatitis C.

But with this wonderful California legislation pushed through by Assemblyman Gallegos, I am now beyond the seven year limitation of the California Medical Board looking into, or taking action on, my complaint!

Excuse me, but this is **TOTAL BS!!!**

The disease hepatitis C happens from blood transfer, period. It is a liver disease, and it can take a long time to show! Blood that was transfused to me **could** have been tested with the ELISA II process for contamination prior to transfusion, but Holy Cross didn't feel that was an important thing to do!

I am at about the point of being beyond filing any med-mal suit. I didn't want to in the first place. Though back in '93 I did look into filing one against Dr. Sprague (Dr. on Drugs). But I had no will to file against the hospital. When the med-mal specialist law firm I consulted looked into my claims and spent 3 weeks reviewing 2 Bekin's boxes of medical records I had obtained from Holy Cross, nothing was documented that would support my claims. I would need witnesses.

Med-mal suits are very complex to begin with. Even with things documented in my medical records, it then would have taken much luck and legal skill for me to score. I then dropped all suit contentions.

But this 'Dr. on Drugs' still should be a dark spot on the front bumper of my truck! He tried to give me an immediate **death sentence**, fortunately for me, that failed. Bu he was safe to assume back then, as a result of his MIS-deeds, a second one would be passed along to me.

It's there, I know about it, I know where it came from, and California has the nerve to tell me I have no recourse, just 'die a happy man'... I call **BS** on this!

Is my only current **recourse** to assault all parties in the media? For God sakes, I can't believe this!

I'm on a mission to warn the public! And I will. For me now, it only consists of Dr. Timothy Sprague, Providence Holy Cross hospital, and Trinity Health. Though California legislators will be included if I find you all 'asleep on the job' and I have no further recourse through any state agency!

Asleep at the wheel, cell phoning while driving... All the same as letting bad legislation authored by defective doctors, get passed by the California Assembly.

Yes sir, I am **pissed**... And will do whatever I can to defame all parties involved! Please do show me how I don't need to include California's Assembly Members – please do point me to an agency that will help me resolve my complaint.

Emotionally, it is not an easy thing to go from a competitive off-road motorcycle racer, proud husband, proud father of a LA County Lifeguard and high-end triathlon competitor, to nothing more than a diseased patient! And then my wonderful state has the nerve to inform me they will take no action, but will keep my information on file.

And not intended as a threat or anything like that, but you really have the nerve to **wonder** why

someone in their final days can go nut-case and perform a bunch of physical violence to others? I have to pull a self-check several times a day to ensure I don't go off hog-wild at Dr. on Drugs and Holt Cross!

Back to my hepatitis for a moment. Kaiser Permanente did put me on a prescription medication routine of PegIntron/Rebetol for 24 weeks, at which point I was declared a NON RESPONDER. They have no alternative medications for this disease. So I stepped up my herbal/natural program, and am doing it in a rather scientific fashion. As well, I am just a week or two away from being notified of formal acceptance into a medication trial for my disease at USC Medical Center, called the REPEAT trial, sponsored by Roche – they make medications for my disease similar to what I took for 24 weeks.

There is no magic solution to this disease I have. Yet. Though there is much study being done.

But for California to tell me I have no further recourse due to time constraints is **wrong, wrong, wrong!**

I **know** how I arrived with this **eViL** disease, and I **will** take action of some sorts. Being the conservative I am, I definitely prefer to take action legally. I could possibly fudge the statute of limitations on a med-mal suit until Feb. 7, 2004. But I have no will or want to pursue it in this fashion. All I want is Holy Cross and Dr. Sprague to accept some responsibility, make a financial disbursement to me (to cover my expenses – herbal/natural meds and perhaps burial) and make a financial disbursement to Kaiser Permanente for the expense of the medication program they had me on – not counting doctor visits, the best estimate I can arrive at is \$24,000 for the 48 week program. And it is also my duty to warn the public as best I can.

I'm easy, my needs/wants are simple. But there is a total failure for anybody to accept responsibility! And stinking California Medical Board to tell me I have no recourse!

Best regards,

-Pat

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