

March 3, 2006

Office of the Premier "Registry"	
<b>RECEIVED</b>	
MAR 09 2006	
Doc #:	2006-15055
File #:	53 409 005 007

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Another breast cancer patient! My journey began in November 2003. I found "the lump" and if I would not have insisted, it would not have been dealt with. The diagnosis – *breast cancer, negative for estrogen, poorly differentiated tumor (9/17 lymph nodes affected)*.

Surgery, by a brilliant doctor, was a total right mastectomy. I endured eight cycles of chemo, 25 of radiation, and no hormone therapy. I did it! The support – medical, personal, community, family – was unbelievable. I am a wife with [REDACTED] gorgeous children (including [REDACTED]). My dream was to make it five years and see my youngest graduate Grade [REDACTED] and feel they will ALL be okay!!!

The nightmare (retesting of tissue), the wait, the mental anguish. I returned to teaching full time [REDACTED] in September 2005 – love them sooo much!

- Christmas 2005 I received a call that testing was not completed. I was told in September 2005 that if I didn't hear in three weeks I remained the same – negative. Christmas – HELL!!
- January 2006, no results yet.
- February 10, 2006 – oncology appointment, results remained the same (negative). Testing results were in and I felt relief that at least I wasn't in the "small" percentage I was told would be reversed.
- February [REDACTED], 2006 – a letter arrives stating that I am reversed to positive for estrogen. Treatment is tamoxifen.

WHERE AM I NOW??? My confidence is destroyed, and I have no answers. I should have had tamofixin since June 2004. Should I have had the other breast removed? Should I have a hysterectomy? I have to pursue calcium in my blood, related to the parathyroid glands. Has "it" moved into these glands? If yes, and I would have been on tamoxifin, would the cancer cells have been blocked?

ACCOUNTABILITY?? This is my life!!! Who is responsible? Will I at least receive a letter of apology? Is my life not worth that? Or am I really just a number in a long line of terrified women?

CONSEQUENCES?? If you abuse a dog, or kill a moose, you are punished? What about if you **destroy** a person's mind and belief in all that is good?

Respectfully,

[REDACTED]