

APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATION  
BEFORE THE

Arkansas State Medical Board

1. Name JANET RILEY TERNES Age 24 Sex F Nationality U.S.A.  
(WRITE FULL NAME USE NO INITIALS)  
4301 W. MARKHAM JBSU #28  
 Postoffice Address to which I wish certificate sent LITTLE ROCK, AR 72205

2. Place of birth COLUMBIA, MISSOURI Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

3. Are you addicted to the use of intoxicants or narcotics? No

4. Were you ever refused examination by any State Medical Licensing Board? No If so, what State? \_\_\_\_\_

5. Did you ever fail in examination before a State Medical Licensing Board? No If so, what State? \_\_\_\_\_

6. Number of years in actual practice since graduation? 0

7. Preliminary education: I graduated from MTN. HOME High School date MAY 1975 I attended UNIV. OF ARK College 3 1/2 years I received B.S./2006 degree from UNIV OF ARK College

8. I received certificate No \_\_\_\_\_ from the Arkansas Healing Arts Board. Date \_\_\_\_\_

9. MEDICAL EDUCATION

First Year from AUGUST 19 78 to MAY 19 79 in UNIV ARK MED SCI College

Second Year from AUGUST 19 79 to MARCH 19 80 in " " " " College

Third Year from MAY 19 80 to MAY 19 81 in " " " " College

Fourth Year from MAY 19 81 to FEB 14 19 82 in " " " " College

Degree of Doctor of Medicine received from UNIV OF ARK College  
Little Rock on the 19th day of May 19 82

10. CERTIFICATE OF DEAN OR REGISTRAR OF MEDICAL COLLEGE

I hereby certify that the foregoing statements of Janet Riley Ternes M. D. as to his medical education are correct, according to the official records in this school; his M. D. Degree is dated 15th day of May 1982

15th day of May 1982

Dean or Registrar  
 Name of Medical School

SEAL

11. AFFIDAVIT OF APPLICANT  
 State of Arkansas )  
 County of Pulaski ) SS

JANET RILEY TERNES M. D. of \_\_\_\_\_  
 being duly sworn says that he is the person referred to in the above application for a License Certificate to practice Medicine and Surgery in the State of Arkansas, and that each of the statements herein contained is true in every respect

Sworn to before me, this 6 day of August 19 81

My commission expires 3-1 19 83

Janet Riley Ternes M. D.  
Charles Hugo Barber  
 Notary Public

# Arkansas State Medical Board

## APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATION

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Name Janet Riley Ternes  
4301 W. Harbham, JBSU #28  
 Residence Little Rock, AR 72205

Application Filed 8/19/81

Fee Paid \$125 - 8/19/81

Healing Arts Certificate No. \_\_\_\_\_

Examination Dec. 1, 2, 3 19 81

Test 1, 2, 3, 4 19 81

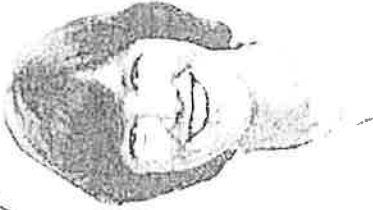
Certificate Issued \_\_\_\_\_

Certificate Sent by Janet Riley Ternes  
 (For Use of Secretary Only)

Completed application, accompanied by fee of \$125.00 must be in the hands of:

Secretary, \_\_\_\_\_ not less than ten days prior to date of examination.

*Janet Riley Ternes*



Paste a recent  
 2" x 2" photograph  
 must be part  
 of application.

(FOR USE OF SECRETARY ONLY)

### GRADES

Part I  
 Anatomy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Physiology \_\_\_\_\_  
 Biochemistry \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pathology \_\_\_\_\_  
 Microbiology \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pharmacology \_\_\_\_\_  
 Basic S. Avg. \_\_\_\_\_

Part II  
 Medicine \_\_\_\_\_  
 Surgery \_\_\_\_\_  
 Obstetrics \_\_\_\_\_  
 Public Health \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pediatrics \_\_\_\_\_  
 Psychiatry \_\_\_\_\_  
 Clinical S. Avg. \_\_\_\_\_

Part III  
 Clinical Competence: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Avg. \_\_\_\_\_

Flex Weighted Average \_\_\_\_\_

### RECOMMENDATION

Being personally acquainted with JANET RILEY TERNES

and recognizing the pictures attached as the applicant's, we, the undersigned, certify that \_\_\_\_\_ she is not addicted to the use of intoxicants or narcotics and would most cordially and heartily recommend him/her to the consideration of the State Board of Medical Examiners as a person of high moral character and worthy of professional recognition.

Kenneth Jengmon MD. M.D.  
 Address UNMS Dept. of Neurosurgery Little Rock  
Robert J. Mulken M.D.  
 Address UNMS Dept. of Medicine Little Rock

UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA  
 SCHOOL OF MEDICINE  
 COLLEGE OF MEDICINE  
 COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Do all to whom these presents may come  
 know that

Grant Riley Dyer

has completed successfully the prescribed course of study, with the  
 distinction of *Scholarship Honor*, and has duly and lawfully  
 completed all the other requirements for the degree.

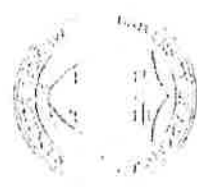
DOCTOR OF MEDICINE

Upon the recommendation of the Faculty of the College of Medicine,  
 and in pursuance of the Statute of the State of Alabama, the degree is hereby  
 conferred upon the above-named person.

February 14, 1982

Grant Riley Dyer

*John H. ...*  
*...*



*...*  
 DEAN OF THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE  
 UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

# American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology

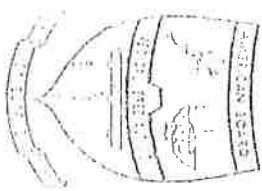


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CERTIFIES THAT

**JANET RILEY CATHEY**

HAVING PURSUED AN ACCEPTED COURSE OF GRADUATE STUDY AND CLINICAL WORK, HAS MET THE STANDARDS AND QUALIFICATIONS AND PASSED THE EXAMINATIONS REQUIRED BY THE AMERICAN BOARD OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY, INC. SHE HAS THEREBY DEMONSTRATED TO THE SATISFACTION OF THIS BOARD THAT SHE IS POSSESSED OF SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE, AND BY THE AWARD OF THIS DIPLOMA HER PROFICIENCY IN THE SPECIALTY OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY IS RECOGNIZED, AND SHE IS AN ACKNOWLEDGED DIPLOMATE OF THIS BOARD FROM DECEMBER 1988 THROUGH DECEMBER 1998.  
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## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

### Request to receive copies of all FOI materials:

### Janet R. Cathey, M.D.

Reviewer Name and Contact Information

Name: Mitchell Williams

Phone: 688-8800

Agent: Linda Clark

2/17/16

## Discussion #14-325

Physician: CATHEY, Janet R., M.D.  
Patient: Jeanne S. Spivey  
Complainant: Same

Board Meeting: October 2-3, 2014

*Note:*

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9/3/14

To Arkansas Medical Board:  
My name is Joanne A. Ajung.  
I need my records from Dr. Janet  
Cathy for twelve years of my

It called the Little Rock  
Gynecology & Obstetrics, P.H.C  
which was previously owned  
by Dr. Janet Cathy and Dr. Karen  
Kozlowski.

It was called in the past,  
Little Rock Gynecology-Associated.

I went there to Dr. Janet Cathey.  
I called, Monday, August 25, 2014.  
I was informed that they do  
not have Dr. Janet Cathey's records.

I was told to call the  
Arkansas Medical Board.

I called Arkansas Medical  
Board and they told me to call  
the number I had just called.

I told them I had just  
called that number and was  
told to call the Arkansas  
Medical Board.



Would you please contact Dr. Janet  
Cathy for me.

I really do need my medical  
records.

Thank you and

Sincerely,

Jeanne D. Hawley

Jeanne D. Hawley

7/10/06

*Janet Riley Cathey, MD*

Little Rock, AR 72211

Dear Dr. Beck and Members of the Board:

I was notified of a complaint received from a former patient, Jeanne Spivey. Ms., Spivey's complaint stems from the fact she has not been able to get a copy of her medical records.

In August of 2009 I sustained \_\_\_\_\_ in a car accident. I was initially hopeful about my level of function however, it was soon apparent I would not be able to continue private practice gynecology. Within the first month of the injury, I sent letters to every active patient (those seen within the previous 2 years) that my recovery could be prolonged and they could make appointments with my partner as well as giving them the option to pick up their records or have them sent to another physician. A similar letter was sent to patients four months later.

In April of 2010 I sold my practice to Dr. Christie Beck and Dr. Jenny Gregory, Little Rock Gynecology and Obstetrics, PLLC. Included in that sale were all active patient charts. Letters were sent to all my patients announcing this and reassuring them Dr. Beck and Gregory would have their records and continue their care or again, they were given the option to have their records sent to them or to another physician. This information was also in the newspaper as well as other local publications.

Drs. Beck and Gregory converted all active charts to EMR over their first 3 years of practice. In early 2014 Dr. Beck turned all hard copy patient charts over to me and I had them destroyed.

I refer you to the attached statements from the ASMB and the AMA websites.

I believe I gave patients reasonable notice and a reasonable amount of time to obtain their medical records. If I had seen Ms. Spivey in the 2 years prior to my accident, the letters would have been sent to her last address on file. If she had seen Dr. Beck or Gregory in the last 3 years, her records would be in their EMR. This means it has likely been at least 5 years since Ms. Spivey has been seen in the office of LR Gynecology. The statute of limitations in Arkansas is 2 years. This is well beyond the time expected to maintain a patient chart. Based on information normally obtained in a general gynecology practice chart, I can assure you, there is little to be gained from her chart that would have any bearing on her current healthcare.

In summary, I am sorry Ms. Spivey, for whatever reason did not obtain her chart in a timely manner. I remember her well and know I took good care of her, as evidenced by her letter, she returned to see me for at least 12 years. Unfortunately, her records are not available.

Sincerely,

*Janet Riley Cathey, MD*  
Janet Riley Cathey, MD  
10-4-2014

From the Arkansas State Medical Board Website:

How long does a physician have to keep medical records?

There is not a law related to the ASMB - it is up to the physician and their specific business office procedures. However; physicians may not abandon patients. Accordingly a physician should give written notice to patients preceding the date of closure or moving to enable the patient to arrange for care with another provider and/or obtain copies of their medical records. The notice should be sent to the last known address of the patient before closing or moving the practice. The notice should specify who to contact for a copy of the record or to request transfer of records and the cost of copying or transferring records.

From the AMA:

Opinion 7.05 - Retention of Medical Records

Physicians have an obligation to retain patient records which may reasonably be of value to a patient. The following guidelines are offered to assist physicians in meeting their ethical and legal obligations:

(1) Medical considerations are the primary basis for deciding how long to retain medical records. For example, operative notes and chemotherapy records should always be part of the patient's chart. In deciding whether to keep certain parts of the record, an appropriate criterion is whether a physician would want the information if he or she were seeing the patient for the first time.

(2) If a particular record no longer needs to be kept for medical reasons, the physician should check state laws to see if there is a requirement that records be kept for a minimum length of time. Most states will not have such a provision. If they do, it will be part of the statutory code or state licensing board.

(3) In all cases, medical records should be kept for at least as long as the length of time of the statute of limitations for medical malpractice claims. The statute of limitations may be three or more years, depending on the state law. State medical associations and insurance carriers are the best resources for this information.

(4) Whatever the statute of limitations, a physician should measure time from the last professional contact with the patient.

(5) If a patient is a minor, the statute of limitations for medical malpractice claims may not apply until the patient reaches the age of majority.

(6) Immunization records always must be kept.

(7) The records of any patient covered by Medicare or Medicaid must be kept at least five years.

(8) In order to preserve confidentiality when discarding old records, all documents should be destroyed.

(9) Before discarding old records, patients should be given an opportunity to claim the records or have them sent to another physician, if it is feasible to give them the opportunity. (IV, V) 6/1994



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December 10, 2014

Janet R. Cathey, M.D.

Little Rock, AR 72211

Re: Jeanne S. Spivey

Dear Dr. Cathey:

The Arkansas State Medical Board addressed the complaint registered against you by the above-referenced individual at their December 4-5, 2014 meeting.

After examining the information, it was the vote of the Board that there was no evidence of a violation of the Arkansas Medical Practices Act. Therefore, no disciplinary hearing was scheduled.

For your records, we have enclosed a copy of our correspondence notifying the complainant of the Board's decision. Unless new information is received, this case is considered closed. However, it is important that you retain a copy of this complaint file for future use.

Sincerely,

Peggy Pryor Cryer  
Executive Secretary

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Enclosure

## Discussion #10-299

Physician: CATHEY, Janet Riley, M.D.  
Patient: Teryl Lee Littlejohn  
Complainant: Same

Board Meeting: October 7-8, 2010

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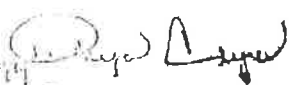
This letter is to notify you of the outcome of the complaint you registered against the above referenced physician. The Arkansas State Medical Board addressed your complaint at the December 4-5, 2014 meeting.

By law, the Board only has authority to take action against a physician's license if the physician has violated the Rules and Regulations of the Board, or if the medical care rendered is determined to be gross negligence or ignorant malpractice.

After careful review of your complaint, available records and the physician's response letter, the Board determined that this case did not meet the definition of a probable violation of the Medical Practices Act. Again, the Board does not have the authority to determine who is right and who is wrong, only whether or not the law, as outlined in the Medical Practices Act, was followed.

We do take every complaint seriously, and appreciate very much you bringing this matter to our attention. Your complaint letter will be retained in the physician's file. At this point, the case would be considered closed.

Sincerely,

  
Peggy Pryor Cryer  
Executive Secretary

PPC/ble

August 3, 2010

Arkansas State Medical Board  
2100 Riverfront Drive  
Little Rock AR 72202

Required information:

1. Practitioner's full name: Janet R. Cathey, M.D. 9501 Lile Dr. Ste 770 MT 11 LR, AR 72205
2. Patient's full name: Teryl Lee Littlejohn [REDACTED] LR, AR 72212
3. Complainant's full name: Teryl Lee Littlejohn
4. Specific nature of complaint: Failure to disclose accurate information and perform agreed upon actions.

Narrative:

Scheduled an appointment with Dr. Cathey for April 21, 2009 @ 10:45 AM. I was very specific that the appointment be with Dr. Cathey and NOT a nurse practitioner. After the time and date were established I reaffirmed that the appointment was with Dr. Cathey and NOT a nurse practitioner. I requested at this time a r..... mine had tipped over and gotten wet. I only needed enough (approx. 14) until my appointment date. I gave them my pharmacy name (USA drugs) and their phone number. I was asked to have them fax in the order. The pharmacist did so on two separate occasions. There was no response from Dr. Cathey's office.

I arrived at Dr. Cathy's office on April 21, 2009 @ 10:45AM. I complied with the instruction to sign in and fill out paperwork.

I submitted the paperwork and asked how much everything was going to cost. I was told \$285.00. I also asked why they had not filled and was told they had a lot of new people on staff and it was an oversight.

After the usual wait I was called back into the office for a urine sample, height and weight. Then I was shown to a room, given a gown and asked to change. A young woman came in with a clip board and began asking questions which I answered. I was beginning to be annoyed as Dr. Cathy usually gets right to the exam and this woman was chit-chatting. Finally she suggested we get started. I said at what. She said your exam. I said I was told my appointment was with Dr. Cathy. She said Dr. Cathy was not even in the office that day, she was a nurse practitioner and was going to perform the exam. "Because you have not been here for so long you are being treated as a new patient and all new patients see me first". It must have taken us 30 minutes to get to this point. Given my time invested I complied.

When checking out I was told to go downstairs to a lab to have blood drawn and that it would cost \$100.00 I told her I had been told everything was to cost \$285.00. She said no, it doesn't work that way but you can pay the additional \$185 over time. I paid her \$100, went to the lab and paid another \$100 for lab work.

Later I received three lab bills; \$29, \$200 and \$75 for a total of \$304 and an additional bill from Dr. Cathey for \$185.

My point is nothing was disclosed accurately or even close to accurately including that my appointment was not with Dr. Cathey. Had I not asked the cost of everything and specifically for an appointment with Dr. Cathey I would be at fault. However I did everything to ascertain the expense and the physician and was not given any correct information. Not being a medical professional I performed my due diligence and consider their lack of full disclosure reprehensible. This lack of full disclosure when I was asking for full disclosure additionally took away my right to a CHOICE in whom I choose for health care.

I am requesting that you reprimand Dr. Cathey's practice for this non-disclosure and at a minimum provide me with financial reimbursement for all undisclosed lab fees as well as the fee for the office visit where I did not see Dr. Cathy.

I appreciate your time and the fact that you take the time to review and address issues relating to the medical community. I realize this is not a 'big deal' to most but it is to me.

Thank you for your prompt response and resolution,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Teryl L. Littlejohn".

Teryl L. Littlejohn



Janet Riley Cathey, MD, FACOG

August 25, 2010

Arkansas State Medical Board  
Attn: Peggy Cryer, Executive Secretary  
2100 Riverfront Drive  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72202

Re: Teryl Littlejohn

Respected Members of the Medical Board:

I am very sorry that Ms. Littlejohn was not satisfied with the care rendered to her on April 21, 2009. I am enclosing a check for the \$285 paid for medical services and ask it be forwarded to the patient with my apologies. Because I do not have access to the financial records I am not altogether certain the full fees were paid thus I am erring on the side of the patient.

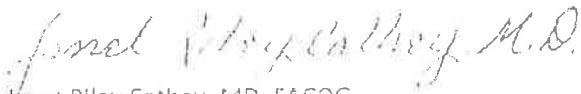
As the members of the board are probably aware, due to an automobile accident and a resulting injury in August of 2009 I have been unable to practice and have been forced into an early retirement. I fully believe had I been in the office, and had known of Ms. Littlejohn's dissatisfaction, this problem could have been resolved to her satisfaction and therefore, she would not have needed to choose such a drastic venue to express her complaints.

In review of her office visit, I feel Ms. Littlejohn received excellent care and the medical decisions and tests ordered were all indicated and done in her best interest. Again, I'm sorry she did not understand this.

On July 19, 2010 my practice, office location, and all active charts were entrusted to Drs. Christie Beck and Jenny Gregory under the management of Baptist Health Practice Plus. None of the original office or medical staff in place at the time of Ms. Littlejohn's visit is still employed at LR Gynecology. I have enclosed all of Ms. Littlejohn's medical records available to me at this time.

In my 27 years of practicing medicine it is ironic that only now after my disability and retirement have I found myself preparing a response to the Medical Board regarding my patient care. It is my hope that Ms. Littlejohn is satisfied with this resolution. If not, and further explanation is requested I would be happy to appear before the board and am confident I can answer each of her many complaints to the board's full satisfaction.

Respectfully,

  
Janet Riley Cathey, MD, FACOG

April 8, 2010

Patient, Teryl Littlejohn, called and stated that she did not think she should have to pay this bill because of the following reasons:

1. She saw the Becca Mehlin instead of Dr. Cathey
2. She received literature that said if she was not on \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ that an \_\_\_\_\_ would not be appropriate for her
3. Her prescription request from the pharmacy had been denied prior to her appointment
4. Becca gave her a prescription for the medication she was on 7 years ago

I pulled the patients chart and had Teresa go over it with me so I would be correct in information given to patient. I told Ms. Littlejohn the reason she had seen Becca Mehlin is because it had been so long since she had been here she was a new patient again. Per our office policy all new patients must see the nurse practitioner on their first visit. She said she was never told that. I then told her on her intake form she had written that she was currently taking \_\_\_\_\_. She said she couldn't take both of them because we denied her prescription. I told her we did deny her prescription 4/14/09 because it had been 6 years since we had seen her and could not fill it. She asked why we did not call her and tell her we denied it. I told her the pharmacy would have known her prescription was denied. She said they told her they never received a response. I then went on to tell her that Becca prescribed her the same medication she said she was currently taking except she changed the dosage on the \_\_\_\_\_ due to her break through bleeding. I also told her per her request on 4/28/09 the dosage was changed back to her old dosage on \_\_\_\_\_. I then explained that she had appointments scheduled with Dr. Cathey on 5/12/09 & 6/09/09 that she did not keep. She said nobody ever told her she had those appointments. I told her that due to her receiving appropriate care then she is financially responsible for the visit. She stated she will not pay for the visit.

*Patty Thompson*

September 28, 2010

Arkansas State Medical Board  
2100 Riverfront Drive  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72202

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2. Patient's full name: Teryl Lee Littlejohn
3. Complainant's full name: Teryl Lee Littlejohn
4. Specific nature of complaint: **Failure to provide full disclosure** ( two major issues-please review last two paragraphs of original complaint addressing due diligence, full disclosure, right to choice and remedy).

Summary of Compliant

1. Appointment with Dr. Cathey. I was very specific that appointment be with Dr. Cathey and NOT a nurse practitioner ; was **repeatedly** assured appointment was with Dr. Cathey and Not a nurse practitioner. Appointment was with nurse practitioner.

2. When submitting 'in-take' form on appointment date inquired as to **total cost** and was told \$285.00. Attached are bills totaling an additional \$375.00.

Response to Dr. Cathey's letter to the Medical board dated August 25, 2010

I was notified of Dr. Cathey's accident by a letter dated August 24, 2009 stating she was "receiving intensive medical treatment and is expected to recover"; "However, due to the nature and extent of the injuries, Dr. Cathey will be unable to see her patients for an extended period of time". My sympathy, concern and prayers for Dr. Cathey are heartfelt. Needless to say I would not have requested an appointment with Dr. Cathey if I did not have the utmost respect and belief in her abilities as a physician. My insistence upon seeing her and not a nurse practitioner are testament.

My complaint is failure to provide full disclosure which resulted in my not seeing Dr. Cathey, incurring financial obligations I was not made aware of, and taking away my right to choice of a practitioner. Had I known the policy was for "all new patients to see a nurse practitioner" and I was considered a 'new' patient as I had been living out of state for a number of years I would have chosen a different Gynecologist. Had I know the office visit plus lab fees would be \$660 as opposed to the \$285 Dr. Cathey's staff quoted me (with the understanding I would see Dr. Cathey) I would have chosen a different Gynecologist.

I am providing the financial records to afford Dr. Cathey access. She is correct in that I only paid \$100 to her office (as noted on the incorrect bill I received at a later date). Hence I am returning her check.

You can see on the copy of Dr. Cathey's bill where I changed the incorrect amount to the correct amount due and begin to write a 'note' on the bill. My intention at this point was to pay the bill but my frustration was so immense I did nothing. I am still frustrated.

I am sincerely sorry for Dr. Cathey's situation but the facts stand and it is simply not right. My automobile dealership informs me upfront of the cost of required maintenance and service. They call and apprise me of problems and costs associated with my car over and above the usual required maintenance and service for my approval. I know what to expect and I have a choice.

I am not equating myself with an automobile or Dr. Cathey with a dealership. There are many similar examples. This is not in anyway a personal complaint against Dr. Cathey. However Dr. Cathey is the only visible person responsible for her practice, polices and enforcement thereof. She is the expert and ultimate

authority. I relied on the information given to me by her staff.

I am sorry Dr. Cathey views my writing the Arkansas State Medical board as 'a drastic venue to express her(my) complaints'. I am restating my request that the board reprimand Dr. Cathey's **practice** for this non-disclosure and at a minimum provide me with financial reimbursement for all undisclosed lab fees as well as the fee for the office visit where I did not see Dr. Cathey.

My belief is the Arkansas State Medical Board is a regulatory agency of the medical community serving both the physician and the consumer. I further believe the medical community must be held to a standard of full disclosure in order to provide adequate and equitable patient care and patient CHOICE. If I am not correct in this belief please apprise me of the appropriate authority to address.

Again I appreciate your time and the fact that you take the time to review and address issues relating to the medical community. Hopefully this issue will make practitioners aware of the consumers right to choice and full disclosure in health care.

Sincerely,



Teryl Littlejohn



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October 19, 2010

**Janet Riley Cathey, M.D.**  
38 Chenal Circle  
Little Rock, AR 72223

**Re: Teryl Lee Littlejohn**

**Dear Dr. Cathey:**

The Arkansas State Medical Board addressed the complaint registered against you by the above-referenced individual at their October 7-9, 2010 meeting.

After examining the information, it was the vote of the Board that there was no evidence of a violation of the Arkansas Medical Practices Act. Therefore, no disciplinary action was scheduled.

The Board previously forwarded your check to Ms. Littlejohn. She returned the check, along with the enclosed letter. We are returning the check to you.

For your records, we have enclosed a copy of our correspondence notifying the complainant of the Board's decision. Unless new information is received, this case is considered closed.

Sincerely,

**Peggy Pryor Cryer**  
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Enclosure



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**October 19, 2010**

**Teryl Lee Littlejohn**

**Little Rock, AR 72212**

**Re: Janet R. Catley, M.D.**

**Dear Ms. Littlejohn:**

**The Arkansas State Medical Board addressed the complaint you registered against the above-referenced physician at their October 7-9, 2010 Board meeting.**

**The Board has the authority and can only take action against a physician's license if the medical care rendered by the physician rises to the level of gross negligence or ignorant malpractice as defined: "It is carelessness or recklessness to a degree that shows utter indifference to the consequences that may result."**

**After careful review, the Board determined there was not probable cause to bring charges against this physician; for the Board did not feel it could meet its statutory requirement of proving gross negligence.**

**We realize this is not the outcome you wished for and the Board does appreciate you bringing your concerns to the Board. Without this interaction, the Board would not be as effective in protecting the health and safety of the public.**

**Your complaint will be retained in the physician's file and unless new information is received, this case is considered closed.**

Sincerely,

**Peggy Pryor Cryer  
Executive Secretary**

**PPC/ble**

**Enclosure**

August 18, 2010

Peggy Pryor Cryer, Executive Secretary  
Arkansas State Medical Board  
2100 Riverfront Drive  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72202

RE: Sale of Practice

Dear Ms. Cryer,

Please accept this letter as formal notification of sale of my practice (Janet R. Cathey M.D., P.A) as of July 31, 2010 to Drs. Christle Beck and Jenny Gregory.

Drs. Beck and Gregory will practice in the same building (9501 Life Drive, Suite 770) and have retained all patient charts at that location.

In addition, please update my information to reflect the following changes:

Dr. Janet Riley Cathey  
38 Chenal Circle  
Little Rock, AR 72223

Should you require additional information please feel free to contact me. Thank you for your assistance with this request.

Sincerely,

  
Dr. Janet Riley Cathey

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