

May 20, 2011

Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board  
525 W. Jefferson St.  
Second Floor  
Springfield, IL 62761

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HEALTH FACILITIES &  
SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

RE: **LETTERS OF OPPOSITION** - Certificate of Exemption - E-1001-11 -  
Surgery Center of Southern IL

To Whom It May Concern:

Attached are 20 Letters of Opposition

Sincerely,



Cheryl Harl

Dear Board Members,

I would like to voice my concerns about the Surgery Center at Marion being controlled by a non physician.

I have worked in healthcare for many years and have seen many changes and my concerns are that a non physician does not know the inner workings of healthcare and will not be compassionate with the needs of the patients that are served at the Center. A healthcare any healthcare facility should be run and operated on a daily basis by a physician that is aware and will be compassionate in the care. Many people are served by this facility and the need is there for the facility and a sale the the attorney will result in many people being at hardship in order to receive care that is need and will not benefit the community at large. I hope that you take these things into consideration.

I oppose the sale of the Marion Surgery Center to Ronald Osman.

Most respectfully yours,

Bonnette Fowler  
Dulm M. Ozawa

To Whomever it may concern,

I believe the sale of the Surgery Center at Marion is a mistake. A medical facility should be run by a physician and colleagues that understand the workings of the medical business. I believe this sale is wrong and will not be an asset to the communities and surrounding communities. Please do not grant the certificate of need.

Connie Lambert  
Ellsimore Mo  
63927

To Whom it May Concern,

I have learned that an attorney in the Marion Area is trying to purchase the Marion Surgery Center, We do not need ownership decisions being made by someone that does not have healthcare as their main focus. The Marion Eye Center doctors do a great job & we need to keep them doing surgery in Marion.

Sincerely,  
Melba Deal  
1801 French  
Piedmont, Mo.  
63957

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Sincerely,  
Howard Peck  
RoBox 221  
VAN BUREN

5-18-11

I oppose Mr. Osman leaving  
the facility.

Charles Pan

204 East Howard  
Malden, MA.  
02148

I OPPOSE Renald Osman getting  
Marion Surgery Center.

2108. Hayes  
Campbell, MO  
63033

Tom Proctor  
5/18/11

After learning of Dr. Ahmad's  
efforts to purchase the building  
in Marion, I oppose the selling of  
the building to Mr. Ron Osman.

Thank you,  
Samantha Brooks

Samantha Brooks  
4 Orchard Drive  
Centralia, IL 62801

I oppose the selling of the building  
to Rosi Osman.

Ian Ford

Ian Ford  
323 S. Perrine Ave.  
Centralia, IL 62801

To whom it may concern:

I oppose the sell of the Marian  
Surgery Center. I feel this won't  
be good for the community

Robert Johnson

Johrans Rd  
Marina, IL 62838

I think surgery center is needed for Marion  
and surrounding area, it should be owned and  
operated by a physician.

thank you

Stephanie  
Willis

Po Box 13  
Oran Mo 63771

Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter to oppose the Certificate of Need Exception for the Surgery Center in Marion Ill. I am originally from the St. Louis area and I have seen what happens when non-medical professional purchase medical facilities, be it a surgery center or a urgent care center. I firmly believe that Physicians should run and operate Surgery centers as they will purchase the latest technology needed to insure quality healthcare in your hometown, and in the surrounding area including patients from Southeast Missouri.

Please for the community and the economical growth of your City, this Change of Ownership should be denied and the healthcare decision be made by Physicians.

Thank-You  
Vanessa Pikey  
HC-01 BOX 480  
ZALMA, MO  
63787

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter to oppose the Certificate of Need Exemptions for the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois in Marion Il. Medical and Surgical facilities should be owned and operated by physicians with the medical knowledge for the best interest of the patients and the community.

Joseph R. McLean  
406 Red Howerton Street  
Carterville IL, 62918  
1-618-944-0247

To Whom It May Concern,

I have learned that an attorney in our area is trying to purchase the Marion Surgery Center. We do not need ownership decisions being made by someone that does not have healthcare as their main focus. The Marion Eye Center doctors do a great job and we need to keep them doing surgery in our town.

Sincerely,

Tracy D. Dyer  
1937 Dogwood Lane  
Central, Ind. 47201

Members of the Board:

I believe that it is in the best interest of the community and the patients to have the Marion Surgery Center owned and operated by medical professionals in the community.

The surgeons of the Marion Eye Center have kept that surgery center operating for years. Why should this be changed now? I don't believe there will be many patients going there which will eventually mean the surgery center will close. We do not need to lose another business in this area.

Respectfully,

*Ando Heera*

1403 Chenny

Centralia, IL 62801

Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board

RE: Surgery Center of Southern Illinois

Dear Members of the Board

This letter is in regard to the Certificate of Need Exemption that the surgery center in Marion IL has filed with your Board. I oppose this Certificate of Need Exemption because I feel that a surgery center should be operated by medical professionals and not a lawyer. I also understand that Dr Ahmad will not be doing surgeries at that center should you approve the Certificate of Need Exemption and let Mr. Osman purchase the surgery center.

Please think of the older patients in the Marion area that will have to travel many miles just to have the best care when it comes to their eyes. This will be a hardship for many patients.

Thank you for your time.

*Larry G. Jones*

*P O Box 122*

*Centralia IL 62801*

Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board  
RE: Surgery Center of Southern Illinois

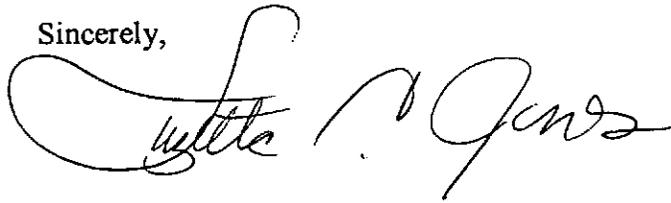
Dear Members of the Board,

It has come to my attention that the surgery center in Marion, IL, has filed for a Certificate of Need Exemption. It is my understanding that an attorney has filed this application. I believe a facility where surgery is performed should be owned and operated by medical professionals located in the area, not a non-physician attorney. It is not in the best interest of the patients and the community for an attorney to own this facility.

I oppose this certificate of need.

Please take all into consideration when making your decision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Willie R. Jones". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

PO Box 122

Centralia IL 62801

May 18, 2011

Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board

RE: Surgery Center of Southern Illinois

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

It has come to my attention that the surgery center in Marion IL has filed for a Certificate of Need Exemption. It is my understanding that an attorney has filed this application. I believe a facility where surgery is performed should be owned and operated by medical professionals located in the area, not an attorney.

For the best interests of the patients and Marion IL, I oppose the Certificate of Need. Please consider the older patients when making your decision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amanda Erskine".

Amanda Erskine

PO Box 19

NASHVILLE TN 62263

Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board  
RE: Surgery Center of Southern Illinois

To Whom It May Concern,

I oppose the Certificate of Need Exemption for the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois located in Marion, IL. I do not believe this facility should be owned and operated by a non-physician. It is not in the best interest for patients and the community. A surgery center should be operated by a physician with medical knowledge and who does the surgeries at this facility. It is my understanding that Dr. Ahmad was in the process of purchasing this facility when an attorney became interested in this property.

Please consider this when making your decision.

Sincerely,

*Sue Brammeier*  
*8315 Lebanon*  
*Nashville, IL 62263*

May 18, 2011

Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board

RE: Surgery Center of Southern Illinois

TO WHOM IT MAY CONERN

I understand that an attorney is trying to buy the Marion Surgery Center in Marion IL and that a Certificate of Need Exemption has been filed by the Surgery Center. I am writing to oppose that Certificate of Need Exemption because I feel that a surgery center should be run by medical professionals and not a lawyer.

When making your decision, please consider the welfare of the patients and what will be good for the City of Marion.

Thank You.

*Lyle Leble*  
16909 Plum Hill Church Rd  
ADDIEVILLE IL 62214

**Ref: Marion Surgery Center**

**Dear Sir:**

**I oppose the certificate of need exemption that this attorney is requesting.**

**The care of this surgery center should be left in the hand of physicians not an attorney.**

**Sincerely,**

*Marilyn K. Lutho*  
*410 W. Third*  
*Beckersville, OH 42219*

Rep. Marion Surgery Center

To whom it May concern:

I oppose the certificate of need exemption that this attorney is requesting.

The care of this surgery center should be left in the hands of physicians.

Sincerely,  
Kuphal Puden

6305 Basin Rd  
Salem, IL 62881

Ref: Marion Surgery Center

Dear Sir,

I oppose the certificate of need exemption that this attorney is requesting.

The care of this Surgery Center should be left in the hands of physicians.

Sincerely,  
Linda Werner  
2140 Lakeshore Rd  
Centralia, IL 62801

Ref: Maria's Surgery Center

Dear Sir,

I oppose the certificate of need exemption that this attorney is requesting.

The care of this surgery center should be left in the hands of physicians.

Sincerely,

Larry Bernot

2160 Lakeshore Rd

Centralia, FL 32801

Ref - Macon Surgery Center

Dear Sir:

I oppose the certificate of need exemption  
that this attorney is requesting.

The care of this surgery center should be  
left in the hands of physicians.

Sincerely,

Maggie M. Miles  
3718 Chacker Hollow  
Junction, Ill 62954

Ref: Marion Surgery Center

Dear Sir,

I oppose the certificate of need exemption that this attorney is requesting.

The care of this surgery center should be left in the hands of physicians.

Sincerely,

Janet Butler

18665 N. Tolle Ln  
Mt Vernon, IL 62864

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Sincerely,



Cheryl Harl

5-19-2011

I believe Dr. Alamed should  
continue to provide services  
to our Pt,

K. K.

Kathrine Kosark  
317 Bernie Housing  
Bernie, MO 63822

317 Bernie Housing  
Bernie, MO.

63822

5-19-11

To whom it may concern:

I don't believe it would be in the best  
interest for Mr. Osman to own this surgery  
center. I believe like the Dr. An  
attorney doesn't know what a Doctor  
does. So I believe Dr. Magbool Ahmad should  
own the center. Daisy Speer & Sherry Grimm  
301 Reed St.  
Bloomfield, MO. 63825

5-12-11

I would not trust Ronald Osman either!

Ruth Burgess  
16920 Co. Rd. 537  
Bloomfield, Mo. 63825

5-19-11

I am very satisfied with the service I have  
received at this facility - I see no reason for  
change -

Bonnie Truett

P.O. Box 44

Risco, Mo.

63874

In my opinion a change of ownership of Marion Surgery Center would impair access to healthcare in all the facilities in Marion and surrounding communities.

Why would an attorney think he would be more capable to operate the Center than a surgeon?

I have been well pleased with services rendered by everyone in the Centers where I've been - Cape, Poplar Bluff and Dexter.

Hopefully Dr. Ahmad will have the opportunity to purchase Marion Surgery Center and patients will be able to receive his services.

Bonnie Jensen  
1901 Preston  
Kennett, Mo 63857  
5-19-11

5-19-11

I would like for Dr. Ahmad to have Center

Florence Robinson

PO Box 261  
Bloomfield MO  
63825

5-19-11

I don't want any changes.  
I would like Dr. Ahmad to  
have SV center

Wilma Glenn

631 East Crumb  
Puxico, Mo.  
63960

5-19-11

I want Dr. Ahmad to have  
center

Ethel Beulah Perry

21373 State Highway Y  
Bloomfield, MO.

63825

I Like The way The Eye Center is Run now I  
do not want any changes I am Happy The way  
FTIS

Bennie Chitty  
5-19-11

408 Dawn Ave  
Lot 33

Dexter, MO.  
63841

51911

I thank Dr. Ahmad should have first chance  
to buy the center. We don't Dr. to leave  
center

Wilton & Winford Cato  
PO Box 546  
Bloomfield MO 63825

5-19-11

I would like to support the  
Doctor at Marion Eye Care Center,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robert D. Ober Jr.", with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the left.

P.O. Box 342

Parma, MO. 63870

I think the change in ownership  
would not benefit anyone. The center  
should be allowed to stay with Dr. Ahmad.  
The lawyer seems to be crooked.

A. Broggins  
5/19/11

27605 B mill street  
Essex mo. 63846

5-19-11

I oppose Mr. Osmer purchasing  
this property. I am happy with  
the present location.

Thank you.

Sherry Bupp  
18501 Northwest St.  
Bloomfield, Mo. 63825

5-19-2011

I won't have an Attorney in charge of  
my eyesight. I wish to continue with Mason  
but I can't trust someone like this -

James P. Fuller

908 S. Douglas  
Malden, MO.

63863

5-19-11

I agree that Osman did the  
wrong thing. Good Luck to Dr. Ahmad  
Freddie Robinson

4555 C.R. 649

Burnie, mo. 63872

5-19-11

I agree that this change of ownership  
would not be good healthcare  
in the surrounding community

Verma Doley  
P.O. Box 445  
Malden, MO. 63863  
5-19-2011

5-19-11

I oppose Mr. Osman buying  
The Marion Surgery Center

Evelyn Griffin

19875 Griffin Ln.

Dexter, Mo. 63841

To whom it may concern:

We need the eye doctor more than we need another lawyer running anything and everything. Too many lawyers already to sue now.

Bernice Flanigan

2 Baillet Drive  
Dexter, Mo.

63841

I oppose Mr. Osman getting  
Sx Center. I want Dr. Ahmed  
to get it.

Emile H. Davis

326 John R Blvd  
Sikeston, Mo. 63201

5-19-11

To who it may concern,

I understand the type of feeling you must have over this. I do not think it would benefit. Any attorney that is for it and then turns around to reject it AND buy it out from you, that shows first and for most he/she cannot be trusted. I hope things work out for Dr. Ahmad and his staff. Keep your head up, good things come to people who do good for others. Best of Luck!

Megan Gilbert  
307 Willis  
Essex, MD . 63846

Dr Ahmad

I think He's a good  
doctor. I feel he should be  
able to continue to practice there in Marion.  
I also feel he is a benefit to the people  
and huge need in supporting the people  
in the Community. We are losing more doctors.  
Due to fact that State, governors, mayors ect.  
No longer think they play important role in the  
Community. I feel is huge over look. So when  
placing my statement. to have him to continue  
to practice. where he is need most.

Donna Adams

166793 Hwy AF  
Dexter, MO.  
63841

5/19/11

I really don't understand the situation fully but  
a Dr. that does his best and cares about the patients  
is much appreciated. Thanks

Mrs. Stoll

19492 CR 262  
Bloomfield, Mo.  
63825

5/19/11

5-19-11

I cannot understand why an attorney would want to buy the Marion Eye Surgery Center - I would think there would be other investments that would not be detrimental to the Community. Given Mr. Osman's actions, I strongly oppose the change in ownership and prefer that Dr. Ahmad purchase the surgery center where he can continue his practice.

Diana Hampton

346 S Locust  
Dexter, Mo.  
63841

5-19-11

I want Dr. Ahmad to have  
the Center. Edward D. Pry

21997 Co Rd 525  
Bloomfield mo.  
63825

I oppose an attorney having the facility

Thanks  
Crystal Keating

618 North Catalpa  
Dexter, MO 63841

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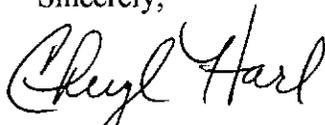
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To Whom It May Concern:

Attached are 13 Letters of Opposition

Sincerely,



Cheryl Harl

The Marion surgery center needs to stay in Marion, many of us can not afford to travel out of our area.

Abbie Palmis

208 Eiles Ave

Cartersville IL

62918

ILLINOIS STATE BOND,

Please do not allow Ron Osman  
to purchase Marion Surgery Center.  
It is so helpful that the Center  
is in MARION instead of making  
us drive to Mt. Vernon. Gas  
is above \$4 a gallon which could  
make some people not have their  
surgery. Hope not but the center  
in Marion is so convenient.

Steve Cowan  
216 McNeil  
Carterville, IL  
62918

I (Candace Germann) appreciate the opportunity to comment on the matter of the Marion Surgery Center being sold to an Attorney instead of Dr. Magbool Ahmed. So. Ill. has many senior citizens of which I am one. It is so important that we have Local access to medical service. I myself have had surgery at the Marion Surgery Center. I was very pleased with the care I got and it would be a great loss if that care would not be available. I don't understand why an attorney would be interested in purchasing the Surgery Center. He must not be concerned about the care of people which really upsets me & I can not see me going there if he does purchase it. Please allow Dr. Ahmad to purchase the Surgery Center.

Candace Germann  
323 Rowatt  
Carterville Ill.

Request

Please allow Dr. Ahmad to purchase  
the surgery center.

Jane Moore

5/18/11

I, Candra Yarbrough a patient of Marion Eye Center in Carterville, Illinois oppose Mr. Osman's buying of the property. I live in Herrin, Illinois and w/ gas prices as high as they are I know it would be difficult for my family to travel more than 10 miles for an eye appt. I agree w/ Dr. Ahmad and I am confident that his best interest is for his patients and community

Candra Yarbrough  
621 N. 8th  
Herrin IL 62948

May 18, 2011

Illinois Health Facilities  
and Services Review Board:

As a patient of Marion Eye Center,

I oppose that Ronald Osman  
be allowed to purchase the property  
of the Marion Surgery Center.

I believe if Mr Osman would be  
allowed to purchase the Marion Surg-  
Center it would harm access to healthcare  
in Marion. Please consider the  
purchase of Marion Surgery Center by  
Dr. Ahmad to maintain quality & continuity  
of care of the Marion Eye Centers patients  
as well as the city of Marion & surrounding  
communities. Thank you!

Therese L. Finest

1108 Bradley Lane  
Carterville, Ill 62918

I've been coming for 5 years now, it's fine the way it is. You shouldn't change something that is perfectly fine. If he can't trust him, how can we? If we don't even know him. Things can smooth the way that they are, don't change it. My dad has been getting his eye surgery there. He loves it the way it is. One big reason is it is close, it's in the area. He doesn't have to go somewhere far.

Kim Glawb

4244 Sycamore RD

Carterville, IL 62918

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RE: Marion Surgery Center

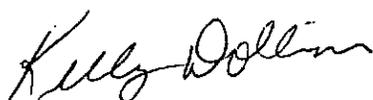
Dear Health Facilities and Service Review Board,

This letter is to notify you of my opposition to the sale of the Marion Surgery Center to Mr. Osman. I believe a change of ownership into the hands of this attorney would cripple access to healthcare for southern Illinoisans. The Marion Eye Center surgeons will cease to perform their surgical cases in Marion should this change in ownership take place. The proposed change of ownership would contribute to expense and hardship on elderly patients needing cataract surgery, as this would mean they would have to travel out of the area for surgery.

Dr Ahmad and his colleagues are wonderful physicians who truly do have the interests of their patients in mind. Please oppose this change of ownership project.

Thank you.

Kelly Dollins, Carterville, IL

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kelly Dollins". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.

TO Whom it may concern,  
I am deeply against  
the sell of the surgery  
center, many of us can  
not afford to travel  
else where, do to high  
gas prices, so I would  
like if nothing changed

Thankyou  
Natasha Barrett  
PO Box 452  
Marion, IL 62951

May 8, 2011

To all concerned:

I read Dr. Magbool Ahmad's letter of great concern and I therefore am urging all to strongly support Dr. Ahmad. Those of us who are affected by such important issues such as mobility, disability and age need the Marion Eye Center. The trip to Mt. Vernon can indeed be a hardship for those of us in deep southern Illinois. As we get older, it's obvious that the challenges will increase. Many of us seniors are on medications which affect our ability to travel long distances without stopping. Some medications and long distance traveling affect one's stability and problems with vertigo. Some are naturally prone to car sickness. Others can testify of their concerns.

It is obvious that for greater patient access to healthcare and optimum patient well-being, Dr. Magbool Ahmad should continue the process of purchasing the Marion Eye Center. We will sleep much better when this is resolved in Dr. Ahmad's favor.

Sincerely,  
Richard E. Therton

P.S. Fast forward to today (05-16-11). I traveled from here in Carbondale to Mt. Vernon last Wed. (05-11-11) for cataract surgery so I speak from experience.

May 16, 2011

Dear Dr. Ahmad,

I agree that the ownership of the Marion Eye Center would benefit our community much more with Dr. Ahmad being able to serve patients. We need Dr. Ahmad and he has been a great impact on this community. Southern Illinois needs the Marion Eye Center and Dr. Ahmad.

Sincerely,  
Sera Sternberg

**Ref: Marion Surgery Center**

**Dear Sir:**

**I oppose the certificate of need exemption that this attorney is requesting.**

**The care of this surgery center should be left in the hand of physicians not an attorney.**

**Sincerely,**

Him Sarpter  
150 4th St  
Carlyle, IL  
62231

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**Sincerely,**

A. Sangster  
501 23rd St Apt B1  
Carle IL 62231

IL Health Planning Board

RE: Surgery Center, Marion, IL

To Whom It May Concern,

I am opposing the certificate of need exemption for the above mentioned surgery center in Marion, IL. It is not in the best interest of patients and the community. A surgery center should not be owned and operated by an attorney. This facility should be owned and operated by a medical professional.

Please consider this when reviewing this certificate of need.

Thank you for your time.

*Joe Bromberg*

*Carmi, IL*

IL STATE PLANNING BOARD FOR  
HEALTHCARE FACILITES

RE: MARION SURGERY CENTER  
MARION, ILLINOIS

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I AM REQUESTING THE BOARD MEMBERS TO MAKE A DECISION WHICH WILL HELP THE PATIENTS. IF AN ATTORNEY OWNS THE SURGERY CENTER, IT WILL NOT BE ANY GOOD FOR PATEINT CARE. IF OSMAN IS GIVEN THE SURGERY CENTER, WE WILL HAVE TO TRAVEL.

PLEASE MAKE IT EAST FOR THE PATIENTS AND DENY THE SALE TO MR. OSMAN.

THANK YOU,

*Jekei Gail O'NEAL*  
*306 Church St Enfield Ill. 62835*

IL Healthcare Board

Ref: Surgery Center in Marion, IL

Dear Board,

Ron Osman should buy law practices rather than surgery centers. Surgery centers can be better operated by doctors.

Thanks,

*Kurt Selbn*

*McLeansboro, IL*

State Healthcare Planning Committee of IL

Ref: MARION SURGERY CENTER IN MARION, IL

To Whom It May Concern:

For obvious reasons Marion Eye Center doctors don't trust Mr. Osman. They are the exclusive users of the surgery center and it will be a disservice to all patients of the Marion area. Please say "NO" to Mr. Osman's application.

Best regards,

*Faye Newman*

811 6<sup>th</sup> St  
Carmi IL 62821

Healthcare Planning Board of IL

Ref: Marion Surgery Center

Sirs,

The idea that the surgery center should be owned by a malpractice attorney seems not very good to me. Therefore, I request the people who give licenses should oppose and stop this from happening.

Thanks,

*Michael Owen*

305 Ollie St  
McLeansboro. IL 62859

IL Planning Committee  
Healthcare Facilities Planning Board

Ref: Marion Surgery Center

Dear Board Members,

When Marion Eye Centers is the largest users of the surgery center, why should Ron Osman own it? This does not make any sense.

Sincerely,

*Amanda  
Neuman*

*Carmi, JL*

To Whom It May Concern:

Ref: Marion Surgery Center

Marion Eye Centers does all kinds of eye surgery and are well-known. They keep the surgery center busy. Without them the surgery center can't survive. Give it to them, not Osman.

Thanks *Lisa Cusin*

*Eldorado, VA*

IL Healthcare Planning Committee

Reference: Surgery Center in Marion, Illinois

Dear Healthcare Planning Committee,

It is not easy to bring doctors to southern Illinois which is medically underserved. We are thankful to Marion Eye Center who provides all kinds of eye surgeons. Atty. Osman is trying to make it difficult for them.

Regards, *Norma R. Bare*

*Grayville IL*

Healthcare Planning Board

REF: Surgery Center of Southern IL

Dear Board Members,

I had my surgery at Marion Surgery Center. I like my doctors. I understand that if the surgery center is sold to an attorney, they won't do surgery there. It will make it hard on myself and my family.

The Board should only look at the patient's best interest.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Carmi, IL".

Carmi, IL

REF: Marion Surgery Center

Dear Sir/Madam,

If Marion Surgery Center is sold to Attorney Osman, the eye doctors who do most of the cases there won't do surgery at this surgery center. It will make it very hard on patients and they will have to travel to have surgery. To me it appears that it will be a good idea not to give the certificate of need to this attorney.

Please make it easy on the patents like myself.

Sincerely,  
*dué Dunbar*

*Carmi ; K*

IL Healthcare Planning Board

Ref: Marion Surgery Center

Dear Board Members:

Dr. Ahmad explained in the meeting that Ron Osman sued Marion Eye Center twice and was disqualified as an attorney due to unethical conduct.

This is bad.

Thanks,  
D. J. Aldridge

Grayville JL

Healthcare Planning Board

Surgery Center, Marion, Illinois

To Whom It May Concern:

The Board should look into what is the main reason that attorney Osman is trying to take the surgery center away from Marion Eye Center.

Thanks,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "DuPont Edmondson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Thanks,".

Grayville IL

IL Planning Board

Ref: Marion Surgery Center

Dear Sirs,

Please deny his application.

Sincerely,

Kirsten Biuins

Carmi, JL

IL Health Care Planning Committee Members

To Whom It May Concern:

I agree that Ron Osman's application for a Certificate of Need for the surgery center should be denied.

Thanks, *Rassi Biunno*

*Sturgis, KY*

IL Healthcare Board

Reference: Marion Surgery Center, Marion, IL

Dear IL Healthcare Board Members,

An attorney should focus on his profession. He should have medical professionals alone to run the surgery center.

Sincerely,

*Allen Paris*

*Sturgis, KY*

Healthcare Planning Board Members

Surgery Center, Marion, Illinois

Dear Healthcare Board Members:

I understand Marion Eye Center is bringing two retina specialists to southern Illinois. Such good news for the people of southern Illinois. If the surgery center is taken away from them, it will create hurdles for delivery of healthcare.

With Regards,

Jeffery B. Paris

Sturgis, Ky

Healthcare Planning Board of Illinois

Reference: Surgery Center, Marion, IL

To Whom It May Concern,

Marion Eye Center helps so many serious and public aid patients. Please don't make it difficult for them to deliver eye care. Their doctors are the largest users of the surgery center. Why should Osman ruin the surgery center?

Sincerely,

Destinee Biwms

Caemi, JL

Healthcare Planning Committee

Ref: Marion Surgery Center

Dear Sirs,

How can Marion Eye Center work with Ron Osman when he sued them twice before without any good reason and was disqualified from the case. I'll say he does not deserve to run a surgery center.

Sincerely,

*Donald Hodgson*

*Grayville IL*

Healthcare Board Members, Illinois

Ref: Surgery Center in Marion, IL

Dear Board Members,

It was in the papers that Marion Eye Center doctors don't trust Attorney Osman.

Sincerely,

*Dorothy Hallon*

*Carmi, JL*

RE: Marion Surgery Center, Marion, IL

To Whom It May Concern:

Marion Eye Centers is the only group who does retina surgery in southern Illinois. It helps this area. Please help them so they can continue the good work. Mr. Osman's ownership of the surgery center will make things difficult for the doctors and patients.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robbie Wilkerson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

New Haven, IL 62867

Healthcare Planning Committee

RE: MARION SURGERY CENTER, MARION, IL

Dr. Ahmad explained in the hearing why he can't trust Osman. I fully agree with him. If Osman owns the surgery center, they will lose 90% of their business. How can they survive? Please help the patients of the Marion area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Carlson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Mr. Vernon, JL

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Surgery Center of Southern IL

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Sincerely,



Cheryl Harl

May 18, 2011

RE: Marion Eye Center

To Whom It May Concern:

I oppose the certificate of need exemption that this attorney is requesting.

Evelyn Shanna Brooks

Evelyn Shanna Brooks

3912 W 416<sup>th</sup> Rd.

East Prairie, MO.

63845

5-17-11

To Whom it may concern:

I oppose this change of ownership + believe that this change would impair access to healthcare in Marion and the surrounding areas.

Hilary Christian  
Charleston, MO

Hilary Christian  
204 N. Center  
East Prairie, MO 63845

5/17/11

To Whom It May Concern,

I am opposed to the Certificate of Need Exemption this Attorney is requesting.

I have had surgery at the Center and feel it would be a poor move for the community and the towns citizens.

Sincerely,

Toni S. Graham

Charleston, MO

Toni Graham

20 Cedar Brook Road

East Prairie, MO 63845

5/16/11

REFERENCE TO MARION EYE CENTER  
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I OPPOSE THE CERTIFICATE OF NEED EXEMPTION THAT  
THIS ATTORNEY IS REQUESTING.

Dewayne Taylor  
Charleston MO

Dewayne Taylor  
1100 S. Main  
Charleston, MO 63834

5/18/11

To Whom It May Concern,

I oppose the sell of the Surgery Center to an attorney. I feel this Surgery Center would be better a benefit to the community by remaining a surgery center and being owned by a physician.

Johnna Hall

Johnna Hall

730 W 220<sup>th</sup> Rd.

Charleston MO

63834

May 17, 2011

RE: Marion EyeCenter

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I oppose the certificate of need  
exemption that this attorney  
is requesting.

Mary Katherine Branum  
MARY KATHERINE Branum  
1301 Wards Rd.  
Charleston, MO  
63834

**Ref: Marion Surgery Center**

**Dear Sir:**

**I oppose the certificate of need exemption that this attorney is requesting.**

**The care of this surgery center should be left in the hand of physicians not an attorney.**

**Sincerely,**

*Geneva Winsor  
508-66 Hazel St  
Poplar Bluff, MO*

Re: Marion Surgery Center

I believe the best interest of the people is to have the Marion Surgery Center owned & operated by medical professionals in the community

I oppose the certificate of need.

Thanks

Michelle K. Halsey  
1022 Hickory St.  
Poplar Bluff Mo. 63901

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Sincerely,

Debbie Malone

45 CR 158

Des Ar Mo

63634

Members of the Board:

I believe that it is in the best interest of the community and the patients to have the Marion Surgery Center owned and operated by medical professionals in the community.

The surgeons of the Marion Eye Center have kept that surgery center operating for years. Why should this be changed now? I don't believe there will be many patients going there which will eventually mean the surgery center will close. We do not need to lose another business in this area.

Respectfully,

  
1403 S. CHenny  
Centra l.i.e, Il. 62801

May 18, 2011

Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board

RE: Surgery Center of Southern Illinois

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When making your decision, please consider the welfare of the patients and what will be good for the City of Marion.

Thank You.

Janet M. Groves

16806 River Bluff

Okawville, IL,

62271

Ref: Marion Surgery Center

Dear Sir:

I oppose the certificate of need exemption that this attorney is requesting.

Sincerely,



409 ST CLAIR  
Bd N. IL 62870

**Ref: Marion Surgery Center**

**Dear Sir:**

**I oppose the certificate of need exemption that this attorney is requesting.**

**The care of this surgery center should be left in the hand of physicians not an attorney.**

**Sincerely,**

*Freddie B Johnson*

PO Box 418

Beckemeyer, IL 62219

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Cheryl Harl

**Ref: Marion Surgery Center**

**Dear Sir:**

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**Sincerely,**

Brandi Myers

25101 Nut Rd

Carlyle, IL 62231

5/18/11

To Whom it May Concern:

I oppose to Sell of the Surgery Center Support  
Marion Eye Center. Thank you Crystal Johnston

Crystal Johnston  
155 Janie Lane  
East Prairie, Mo. 63845

5-18-11

To Whom It May Concern:

I am very much opposed to Marion Surgery Center being purchased by said attorney. It is my understanding that Marion Eye Ctr. Doctors have been the ones that have been keeping it going with their patients and if they pull out they would not have the business to support this. It is just smarter for a physician that is established there should be the one to own and operate this business.

Janie Pemberton  
Janie Pemberton  
1583 State Hwy NH  
Charleston MO  
63834

5/18/11

To Whom it may concern

I oppose the Cent. that the attorney is requesting

I am a patient at the Charleston, MO office and

I feel this matter should be left to the physicians not  
the attorney

Thank you

Brandin Pattengill

Charleston, MO

Brandin Pattengill

6745 St HWY 77

Benton, MO 63736

To Whom It May Concern :

5/17/11

I strongly oppose the CERTIFICATE OF  
NEED EXEMPTION that this attorney is  
REQUESTING. It is CRITICAL For our COMMUNITY  
Surrounding area to MAINTAIN Quality Doctors  
Such as MR. Ahmad. That being SAID, I FEEL  
This SURGERY CENTER, AS well as all, should  
REMAIN in the hands of the phisicians if  
at all possible.

Sincerely,

Clinton Graham  
Charlton Mo 63834

Clinton Graham  
20 Cedar Brook Road  
East Prairie, MO 63845

May 18, 2011

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a patient at The  
Charleston Marion Eye Center  
Office and I am opposed  
to the change of ownership  
of The Marion Surgery Center.

Christie R. Mueller

Christie Mueller

2511 County Road 439

Jackson MO 63755

Ref: Marion Surgery Center

To Whom it May Concern:

As a patient of Marion Eye Center I oppose the certificate of need exemption that Mr. Ronald Osman is requesting.

I believe as a healthcare professional myself that the care of the Marion Surgery Center should be kept by the physician and not the attorney. It would benefit the current patients of Marion Eye Center & residents of Marion, Ill. to leave this surgery center running by the healthcare professional that provides services.

Sincerely,  
Megan Parker

Megan Parker

412 Cutlip

East Prairie Mo 63845

Re: Marion Surgery Center

I believe the best interest of the people is to have the Marion Surgery Center owned & operated by medical professionals in the community

I oppose the certificate of need.

Thanks

Robert L. Wynn

219 CR 560

Poplar Bluff, Mo. 63901

To Whom it May Concern,

I have worked with Marion Eye Center & Dr. Ahmad for a number of years & it has been a practice to think & put the patient first. I am against the Certificate of need exemption the attorney is requesting & the surgery center should be in the hands of doctors.

Sincerely,  
Marsha Stanfill  
1101 Commerce St.  
Poplar Bluff, Mo.  
63901

To Whom it May Concern,

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Sincerely,

Dandra Payne

2437 CR 461

Poplar Bluff, Mo. 63901

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Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Andrew Ferguson". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

Andrew Ferguson  
1301 Dean St.  
Centralia, IL 62801

May 18, 2011

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Thank You.

Marcella Hill  
6718 Lawson Rd  
Ashley J  
62808

May 18, 2011

Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board

RE: Surgery Center of Southern Illinois

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

It has come to my attention that the surgery center in Marion IL has filed for a Certificate of Need Exemption. It is my understanding that an attorney has filed this application. I believe a facility where surgery is performed should be owned and operated by medical professionals located in the area, not an attorney.

For the best interests of the patients and Marion IL, I oppose the Certificate of Need. Please consider the older patients when making your decision.

Sincerely,

Jeanna Kottmeier  
315 West St. Louis St.  
Hoyteton, ILL. 62803

IL Health Planning Board

RE: Surgery Center, Mason, IL

To whom it may concern:

I am opposing the certificate of need exemption for the above mentioned surgery center in Mason, IL. It is not in the best interest of patients and the community. A surgery center should not be owned & operated by an attorney.

This facility should be owned and operated by a medical professional.

Thank you,

Mary E. Drazge

306 Perkins St  
Odin, IL 62870

**Ref: Marion Surgery Center**

**Dear Sir:**

**I oppose the certificate of need exemption that this attorney is requesting.**

**The care of this surgery center should be left in the hand of physicians not an attorney.**

**Sincerely,**

*Dawn Santel*

13433 Old Carlyle Road

Carlyle, IL 62231

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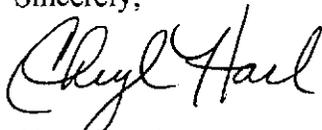
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Cheryl Harl

5/11/11

I oppose this attorney  
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center.

Amanda Burns

Amanda Burns  
620 S. Elm  
Vandalia, IL 62471

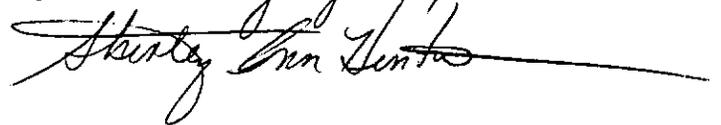
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Please consider keeping this facility under Dr. Ahmad.

Sincerely yours,  


Shirley Hinton  
213 S. Locust St.  
St. Elmo, IL 62458

Save Marion eye center for the Di's!

Evelyn Ekstrom

RT 1 Box 318

Shobonier, IL 62885

Save the eye center for the Doctors.

Madeira White 5/11/2011

Vandalia, IL

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Who wants to go to a surgery center with a lawyer in charge!

Vecky Sargent

Rt 3 Box 8552  
Vandalia, IL 62471

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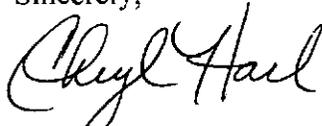
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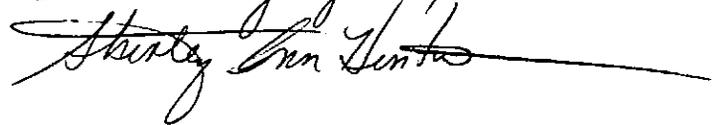
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Vicky Sargent

Rt 2 Box 8552  
Vandalia, IL 62471

Please Save the Eye Doctor Center Cause  
You wont know what your missin.

Cindy Claiborn  
2618 Lakewood  
Vandalia, IL 62471

May 12-2011

To Whom It May Concern:

I truly believe Attorneys should not have ownership  
of healthcare.

Deanna Kulesya

2630 Fupwood Dr.

Wardaha, IL 62471

I Betty Welch oppose in  
giving the Maiana Eye Surgery  
Center up

Thank you

Betty Welch  
1307 W Randolph  
Wendota, IL 62471

Knowing now the unethical backdoor issues that the attorney represented himself with, he not only is wrong in his actions he gives other attorneys a bad name. If our government allows for this to proceed we will be opening a Pandora's box of issues yet to come. I very strongly believe that Dr.'s belong in Dr offices and attorneys in attorney offices. Back doors are for letting dogs out not manipulators in. I as a consumer will not seek further treatments if this Company is to be ran by an attorney. The question now needs to be how many customers or potential customers will be lost due to the unethical attorney practices if he is allowed to manipulate his way through the back door

~~MMarkey~~  
Vardalakis, 11

Save the eye center many  
depend on it to be there.

Casey Barnett

Jandatic 12

I Nellie Pope thinks that we  
should save the Marion Eye  
Surgery center.

Thank you  
Betty Welch  
for: Nellie Pope  
Vandavia, IL

5/12/11

To Whom It May Concern,

I believe a service like this should be in Vandalia. Whatever is needed to keep this Marion Eye Clinic in business in Vandalia should be done.

As smaller communities will also use this facility. The Surgery center in Marion would be a great asset!

Mary E. Willis  
105 E. Peice St.

Mulberry Grove, IL

62262

May 12, 2011

Ronald Osman's ownership of the Marion  
Surgery Center, Marion Illinois should not  
be approved.

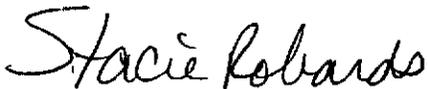
Jay Stein  
RR 2 Box 209B  
Brownstown, IL  
62418

RE: Marion Surgery Center

To Whom it May Concern.

I oppose the request made by Ronald Osman. I beleive he is unfit to run a surgery center and would not trust him to do so. Please allow Dr. Ahmad to purchase the surgery center so the citizens of illinois will be able to get treatment like they should be able to.

Thanks

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stacie Robards".

Stacie Robards  
6061 hwy cc  
Broseley, MO 63932

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David Payne  
2437 CO. RD 461  
Poplar Bluff mo. 63901

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Respectfully,

*Chloe Wendling*

*Chloe Wendling  
512 Briarwood  
Centralia, IL 62801*

**Ref: Marion Surgery Center**

**Dear Sir:**

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**The care of this surgery center should be left in the hand of physicians not an attorney.**

**Sincerely,**

Amie Dickson  
370 North St  
Caroleer IL  
62231

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Sincerely,



Cheryl Harl

Tommy Smith  
100 Front St Apt 2B  
Anna IL 62906

I think they should allow you to purchase the center to help with the convince of the people of manion eye center. ~~the~~ I understand the change of Onerswise had problems before but keep the people in mind Mr. Ahmad is a wonderful man.

Thanks

Tommy

D.J.F.

26/5/60

Cairo, E. 629174

To whom it may concern,  
a doctor is not a lawyer, nor is  
a lawyer a doctor. I feel that  
Dr. Ahmad would be able to better  
serve his patients if given the  
opportunity to buy Marmon Eye Center.

James L. James

To The

Health Facilities and Service Review  
Board, I work at MHC ER Dept

I am very proud to have a hospital  
that can serve us, and Thank God

For Brain-Heart Team we

have The Patients don't have to

Travel far For Surgery it is

alot of pain they have after all

is done. I can't imagine Surgery

on the eyes so we can see. Please

Think about The People of Southern

Illinois. Help us! For the Love

of God! Please keep it here  
for the Patients

Beth Martin

Po Box 538

Elkville IL

62932

Thursday, May 19, 2011

Dr. Maqbool Ahmad  
Marion Eye Center

I believe the change of ownership will, most definitely, affect eye care in our area. Dr. Ahmad has put together one of the finest eye clinics in the United States. His office has serviced thousands of people who would otherwise have to travel many miles to receive comparable services.

What Mr. Osman is doing is like our politicians, they do not have the best interest of the people. If it is not broken don't fix it. The Marion Eye Clinic for many years has been an asset to our area. It has worked great for the people, so why change that?

Please, from a concerned patient, do not allow this Change of Ownership to occur.

Don Siefert  
223 North 18<sup>th</sup> Street  
Murphysboro, Illinois 62966

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my brother has special needs & lives in Carbondale & I  
live in Du Quoin. Keeping the center closer to Marion as  
Carbondale works, however. if it is too far  
it would be a hardship to obtain services.  
Please help Dr. Ahmad with this situation. He  
has helped so many of his patients it is  
about time we could help him in this  
situation.

Kathy Jewett

MARVIN LEE WEST

May 19, 2010

To Whom It May Concern/ St. Health Planning Bd.  
Re: Surgery Center, Marion, Ia.

I oppose the certificate of need exemption  
for the Surgery Center in Marion, Ia.  
A surgery center should be owned  
and operated by Doctors or other  
medical professionals.

Please consider this in your review.  
also, please consider the convenience  
to Marion Eye Center surgeons and to  
us, their patients!

Joey Basler  
30+ years a patient!  
Cahondale, Il

I would like the Marion Surgery Center  
to be in the hands of Marion Eye Centers & Optical

Betty Hammel  
1402 Court  
Chester IL 62233

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May 19, 2011

Re: Surgery Center of Southern Illinois

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to oppose the certificate of need for the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois. This facility should not be owned and operated by an attorney who I believe is not looking out for the patients and the community.

Please consider this when reviewing this application.

Thank you, Anita Reagan

ANITA REAGAN  
385 CARBON LAKE Rd.  
MURPHYSBORO, IL 62966

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in support of Dr Ahmad and Marion Eye Centers in their bid to buy the Marion Surgery Center in Marion IL. I feel that it would be beneficial for the surrounding communities with the price of gas to not have to go through the extra time and expense to drive out of our way to Mt Vernon when we have a facility right here in Marion. I also believe that doctors should be in a position to handle their patient's health care.

Thank you

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "George E. Bond".

may 18, 2011

To whom it may concern:

I feel the facility should remain.  
~~the~~ place were people could get medical  
care. Not a high price lawyer's office!

Ursula Watson #1  
590 Hochbier Rd 15  
Carbondale, IL 62901

Ursula Wats  
5-18-11

Sarah Uernum  
1007 Emerald Ln  
Carbondale IL 62901

Dear: To whom it may concern

Surgical services are pertinent to have in the area and I support the purchase of the surgery center in Marion by Dr. Ahmad. It is important for members of the community to have as many medical resources as possible within close proximity and Marion is a good location for many.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to be 'S. Uernum', followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Tina Keene

P.O. Box 2023

C'dale, IL. 62902

I am writing this letter in support of Dr. Ahmad purchasing the Marion surgery center. It means much to local patients to receive our care in-district. With Dr. Ahmad's ownership of the Marion surgery center, we don't have to travel miles away from home for care. It is my understanding that the nearest place to go, if not in Marion; is to Mount Vernon, IL. Please be considerate to our pocketbooks and our needs. Gas prices are way to high. Sell to Dr. Ahmad. I thank you in advance. Sincerely,

Tina Keene

Teddy Hacker  
233 Park St  
Hurst IL.  
62949

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Please consider this when reviewing this application.

Thank You,  
Teddy Hacker

5/18/2011

To whom it may concern;

I oppose the Certificate of Need Exemption for the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois located in Marion IL. I do not believe this facility should be owned/operated by a non-physician. It is not in the best interest for patients and the community. A Surgery center should be operated by a physician with medical knowledge and who does Surgeries at the facility. It is my understanding that Dr. Ahmad was in the process of purchasing this facility when an attorney became interested in the property.

Please consider this when making your decision

Sincerely,

Christina Smith

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May 18, 2011

To Dr. Magbool Ahmed:

We are both Patients of The Marion Eye Ctr.

We Agree With Dr. Ahmed That This Change  
Of Ownership To Mr. Ronald Osman Would Harm  
Access To Health Care in Marion and The  
Surrounding Communities More Than It Would  
Benefit It.

Sincerely,

Brenda K. Crain

11750  
Arcaded Lk Rd #3  
Marion, Ill., 62959

Robert Benak

418 CHARLOTTE RD  
MARION, IL 62959

Vonda K. Summers  
105 N. Sprague  
Cortlandt 22901

I think the physicians should be  
in their hands & not attorney. The  
Surgery Center is for patients.

May 19, 2011

IL Healthcare Planning Board

RE: Marion Surgery Center, Marion, IL

To Whom It May Concern:

Dr. Magbool Ahmad is an excellent eye surgeon, keeps costs low as possible, and has my husband and my utmost respect. My husband has been a patient for 25 years and I for 10.

It would be foolish for the Healthcare Planning Board to grant a certificate of need to an attorney when a well regarded doctor has an excellent medical and management background. Greed or self serving issues have no place with these issues.

Respectfully,

Janel & Bob Taylor  
11223 W. Freeman  
Carbondale, IL 62901

To whom it may concern,

I believe that Dr Ahmad should be able to purchase the Surgery Center in Marion. I feel that it would be good for the people of Southern Illinois to have a place close to home to have their surgery performed. I also believe that decisions about health care should be handled by health care officials.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael Bullar".

Michael Bullar  
614 Briarwood  
Desoto IL.  
62924

Illinois Health Planning Board  
Re: Surgery Center, Marion, Ill.  
To Whom It May Concern,

(Opposing the certificate of need exemption.)  
The surgery center should not be owned by an attorney. This type of facility should be owned and operated by a medical professional.

Please consider this when reviewing the certificate of need.

Thank You

Norma Dunn  
4481 S Lake Rd  
Pinckneyville Ill  
62374

To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter to oppose the ~~XXXXXX~~ certificate of need for the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois. I would not want an attorney who puts his reputation before the best interests of the community, and the patients.

Please take my opinion into consideration.

Thank you,

Kathryn Halbrook  
830 N. Neweast Ln.  
Cahoondale IL, 62901

Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board  
RE: Surgery Center of Southern Illinois

To Whom It May Concern,

I oppose the Certificate of Need Exemption for the Surgery Center of Southern Illinois located in Marion, IL. I do not believe this facility should be owned and operated by a non-physician. It is not in the best interest for patients and the community. A surgery center should be operated by a physician with medical knowledge and who does the surgeries at this facility. It is my understanding that Dr. Ahmad was in the process of purchasing this facility when an attorney became interested in this property.

Please consider this when making your decision.

Sincerely,

Paul + Sheryl Stowers  
220 S. Blackburn  
DuQuoin, IL 62832

To Whom It May Concern,

I am a patient at the Marion Eye Center and have received excellent healthcare over the years. I have been informed that Dr. Ahmad has attempted to purchase the Marion surgery center. Our Southern Illinois communities deserve to have the best healthcare possible. Being a retired person we need a center close and convenient to patients of all ages. We do not want to lose outstanding doctors like Dr. Ahmad.

Marcia Schmalenberger  
637 Union Hill Rd.  
Carbondale, Ill. 62903

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*Kathleen J Bamfield*

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*5232 Ava Rd*

*Murphy Shores, IL 62966*

To Whom It May Concern:

5-19-11

I would like to express my concern regarding the certificate of exemption you are considering.

Many people have used the Marion Eye Centers, both young and old, and the Centers have served us well. It's not easy to get doctors and surgeons to come to a depressed area like ours. If this non-healthcare entity is allowed to operate the surgery center, which has kept its doors open due to Marion Eye Center Surgeons - I'm fearful it will fail. We have seen too many business closures and do not need another.

I oppose issuing a certificate of need to this entity and do not believe it is in the best interest of our community.

Kim Wheeler

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I AM IN HOPES THAT DR. ALMAO  
PLANS TO PURCHASE THE MARION SURGERY  
CENTER WILL BE IN HIS FAVOR. BEING  
HAVING A PLACE IN MARION WOULD BE  
A GREAT THING FOR MANY OF HIS ELDERLY  
PATIENT "INSTEAD" OF HAVING TO TRAVEL  
ALL THE WAY TO MOUNT VERNON. I KNOW  
MY 70 YR OLD SISTER JUST HAD TO MAKE  
THAT TRIP AND IT WAS VERY VERY STRESSFUL  
ON HER!

Aileen Kowalski  
908 Stratton St.  
Cherter, IL 62233

5-19-11

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter as my support for DR. Ahmad to purchase the Marion surgery center. I feel it would ~~be~~ be best for the surrounding community in many ways.

Respectfully,

Robert L. Koehn  
3349 Hog Hill Rd.  
Ava, IL 62907

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HEALTH FACILITIES &  
SERVICES REVIEW BOARD

May 20, 2011

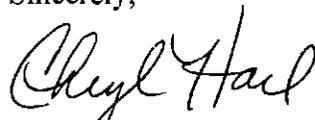
Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board  
525 W. Jefferson St.  
Second Floor  
Springfield, IL 62761

RE: **LETTERS OF OPPOSITION** - Certificate of Exemption - E-1001-11 -  
Surgery Center of Southern IL

To Whom It May Concern:

Attached are 25 Letters of Opposition

Sincerely,



Cheryl Harl

Re: Marion Surgery Center

I believe the best interest of the people is to have the Marion Surgery Center owned & operated by medical professionals in the community

I oppose the certificate of need.

Thanks

Kathy Dentell

Quirin, Mo

63961

608 Cynthia St  
Poplar Bluff, MO  
65901

5-18-11

To Whom it may concern:

I support Dr Ahmad in his efforts  
to purchase the surgery center  
at Marion. The patients at  
our office including my  
extensive family travel to  
Marion for surgery. Do  
you think we would travel  
that distance for an unknown  
Doctor? No! We would only  
travel that distance for OUR  
Doctor. Dr Ahmad! Would we  
travel that far for a lawyer? No!  
Why does a lawyer want a  
hospital or surgery center anyway?  
Laurie Dunbar

5-17-11  
HCl Box 1471  
Wappapello, MB  
63966

**Ref: Marion Surgery Center**

**Dear Sir:**

**I oppose the certificate of need exemption that this attorney is requesting.**

**The care of this surgery center should be left in the hand of physicians not an attorney.**

**Sincerely,**

*Judy L. Haynes*

Re: Marion Surgery Center

I oppose the request made by attorney Ron Osman  
for the Certificate of need. I believe  
Surgery centers should be left in Dr's hands.

Thanks

John Maclin  
405 Miller St

Bernie, Mo  
63822

Re: Marion Surgery Center

I believe that surgery centers of all kinds should be  
run by Drs only. leave the attorneys out of it. I oppose  
the certificate of need requested by Mrs Osma.

Thanks

Jimmie Roberts

6061 Hwy Cc

Brosley, Mo

63932

Re: Marion Surgery Center

I oppose the certificate of need requested by Ron Osman.

Dr Ahmad should remain in control and have ownership of the surgery center.

Thanks

Kelly Williams

Poplar Bluff, Mo

63901

Re: Marion Surgery Center

Please Let Dr Ahmad purchase the surgery Center. Surgery centers should be kept out of the legal profession. I oppose the certificate of need done by Ron Osman.

Thanks

Annie Polardo

Poplar Bluff, mo 63901

5/18/11

To: Whom it may Concern

I am in opposition to the Sale of the Marion Surgery Center to Ronald Osman. I believe the community and surrounding areas would better be served by a physician such as Dr. Ahmad owner the Marion Surgery Center.

Thank you  
Christina Rabeck

Christina Rabeck  
660 4th St.  
Dulton MD 20634

**Ref: Marion Surgery Center**

**Dear Sir:**

**I oppose the certificate of need exemption that this attorney is requesting.**

**The care of this surgery center should be left in the hand of physicians not an attorney.**

**Sincerely,**

*Susan Doudy*

726 CTY RD 414  
Poplar Bluff MO. 63901

Re: Marion Surgery Center

I believe the best interest of the people is to have the Marion Surgery Center owned & operated by medical professionals in the community

I oppose the certificate of need.

Thanks

William Hartley  
Mary E. Morehead  
1025 Hickory St.  
Poplar Bluff, Mo. 63901

Re: Marion Surgery Center

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Theresa Morehead

La  
1022 Hickory St  
Poplar Bluff, Mo. 63901

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Leo P. Morehead  
1023 Hickory St.  
Poplar Bluff, Mo. 63901

Please don't sell the Surgery Center in  
Marion to a lawyer. It should be  
run by Dr. Ahmad

Laura Reed  
660 4th St.  
Dulm No 63961

I feel like the Surgery Center should  
be run by a Doctor like Doctor Ahmad,  
I oppose the sale to a Attorney

Tiffany Wagner  
660 4th St,  
Ocala FL 32961

I oppose the sale of any medical  
facility to any one other than a Doctor.

Don Ben  
6181 Hwy D  
Dulles VA 22021

Regarding Manor Surgery Center,

I feel the Surgery Center should be  
run by a qualified Dr. not a Lawyer

Thanks

Judy Bon

6181 Hwy D

Quincy Mo 63961

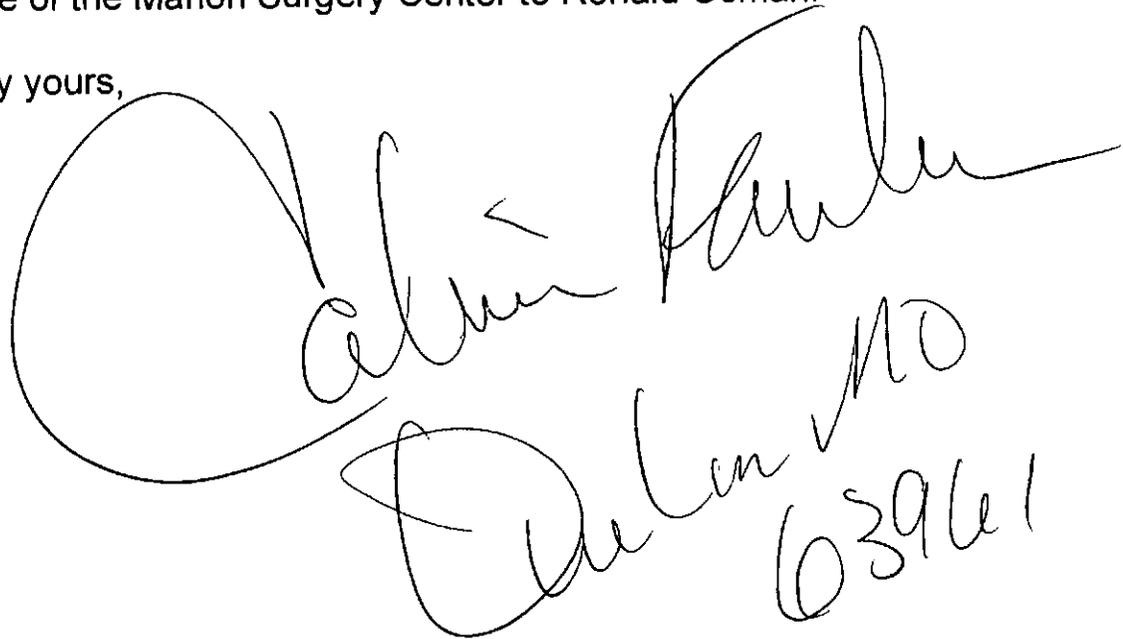
Dear Board Members,

I would like to voice my concerns about the Surgery Center at Marion being controlled by a non physician.

My wife has worked in healthcare for many years and have seen many changes and my concerns are that a non physician does not know the inner workings of healthcare and will not be compassionate with the needs of the patients that are served at the Center. A healthcare any healthcare facility should be run and operated on a daily basis by a physician that is aware and will be compassionate in the care. Many people are served by this facility and the need is there for the facility and a sale the the attorney will result in many people being at hardship in order to receive care that is need and will not benefit the community at large. I hope that you take these things into consideration.

I oppose the sale of the Marion Surgery Center to Ronald Osman.

Most respectfully yours,

Robert Parker  
Dulles MO  
63961

To Whom it May Concern,

I have learned that an Attorney in the Marion Area is trying to purchase the Marion Surgery Center, We do not need ownership decisions being Made by someone that does not have healthcare as their main focus. The Marion Eye Center doctors do a great job & We need to keep them doing surgery in Marion.

Sincerely,

Edaine Miller

3593 CO. RD 434

POPPAR BLUFF MO

63901

Health Facilities Planning Board

To Whom it may concern

I think that the Surgery Center in Marion Ill, should be owned and operated by physicians with the Medical knowledge for the best interest of the patients . I am writing this to oppose the Certificate Of Need Exemptions for the Surgery Center.

Thank You,

Kinda Brindley  
PO Box 434  
Oran Mo 63771

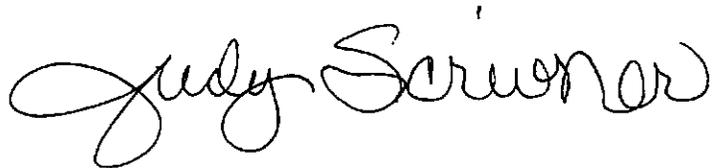
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Please consider this when making your decision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judy Scrivner". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

Judy A Scrivner  
110 E Bryan St  
Salem, IL 62881

Members of the Board:

I believe that it is in the best interest of the community and the patients to have the Marion Surgery Center owned and operated by medical professionals in the community.

The surgeons of the Marion Eye Center have kept that surgery center operating for years. Why should this be changed now? I don't believe there will be many patients going there which will eventually mean the surgery center will close. We do not need to lose another business in this area.

Respectfully,

*Kyle Duder*  
*1937 Douglas Lane*  
*Centerville, Ill. 62801*

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Sincerely,

*Anthony Washington*

*Anthony Washington  
1004 Marion Ave  
Centralia, IL 62801*

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Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Will Ferguson".

William Ferguson  
2237 1/2 Cascade Lane  
Centralia, IL 62801

**Ref: Marion Surgery Center**

**Dear Sir:**

**I oppose the certificate of need exemption that this attorney is requesting.**

**The care of this surgery center should be left in the hand of physicians not an attorney.**

**Sincerely,**

*Ruth Thuring*  
*9919 State St 161*  
*Bartleso H.*  
*62218*

May 18, 2011

Illinois Health Facilities Planning Board

RE: Surgery Center of Southern Illinois

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

It has come to my attention that the surgery center in Marion IL has filed for a Certificate of Need Exemption. It is my understanding that an attorney has filed this application. I believe a facility where surgery is performed should be owned and operated by medical professionals located in the area, not an attorney.

For the best interests of the patients and Marion IL, I oppose the Certificate of Need. Please consider the older patients when making your decision.

Sincerely,

*Albert E. Meyer*

7915 STATE RT 15  
ADDIEVILLE IL 62214