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via email

Dear Sir/Madam,

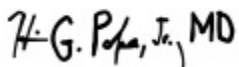
I am a licensed physician in Massachusetts who has been hired by the New Hampshire Attorney General's Office to serve as an expert witness in a case where a group of plaintiffs is suing the State of New Hampshire. In the course of my work, I was asked to interview five plaintiffs in New Hampshire. Two of them were in New Hampshire prisons, and I interviewed the other three at an office in Manchester.

I did not physically examine any of the plaintiffs, administer any treatment to them, administer any medical or psychological tests, or diagnose them during my interview. Back in my office here in Massachusetts, I will combine my interview notes with the written records that I have reviewed to create a report on each plaintiff. The report will include diagnoses, using DSM-5 criteria, that I believe would be appropriate for a clinician to use if he or she were diagnosing one of the plaintiffs for the purposes of therapy.

Over the past 30 years, I have performed more than 50 such interviews of plaintiffs and defendants in more than 25 states around the country, and in only one state (Ohio) was I asked to secure a temporary state medical license to perform my interview. I have read the current New Hampshire statutes, and I could find no statements to indicate that New Hampshire requires such a temporary license. Assistant New Hampshire Attorney General Brandon Chase, for whom I am working, also researched this question and found no evidence to suggest such a requirement. Attorney Chase also spoke to Assistant Attorney General Michael Grandy in the Enforcement Division of the New Hampshire Office of Professional Licensure and Certification, who also saw no need for a temporary medical license in this case.

Nevertheless, in an abundance of caution, I wanted to write to you just to confirm that the New Hampshire Board of Registration in Medicine does not require a temporary medical license in a situation such as mine. If for any reason such a requirement does exist, please tell me right away and I will of course do whatever you require to rectify the situation. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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