



Expert Witness Affirmation Statement

As a member of the medical profession and of the American Urogynecologic Society, I affirm my duty, when giving opinion or testifying as an expert witness, to do so solely in accordance with the merits of the case. Furthermore, I declare that I will uphold the following professional principles in providing expert opinion or testimony.

1. I will always be truthful in all aspects of my role as an expert witness.
2. I will conduct a thorough; fair and impartial review of the facts and the medical care provided and will not exclude any relevant information from consideration.
3. I will evaluate the medical care provided considering generally accepted standards that prevailed at the time, place and circumstances of the occurrence.
4. I will evaluate the medical circumstances provided considering generally accepted standards, neither condemning performance that falls within generally accepted practice standards, nor endorsing or condoning performance that falls below these standards.
5. I will provide opinion and testimony that is complete, objective, and scientifically based.
6. I will make a clear distinction between a departure from accepted practice standards and an adverse outcome, making every effort to determine whether there is a causal relationship between the alleged substandard practice and the medical outcome.
7. I will make a clear distinction between my personal opinion and accepted practice standards.
8. I will submit and provide copies of my testimony to scrutiny, if requested, by professional organizations (including AUGS), hospitals, peer review bodies, and state medical or licensing boards, as appropriate.
9. I am willing to testify equally for plaintiffs and defendants, as requested, based on an objective review of the facts.
10. I will not accept compensation that is contingent upon the outcome of the litigation.

Printed name: _____

AUGS Member Number: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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