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RE: *Sally Shue vs. Summa Health System, et al.*  
Declining Representation

Dear Ms. Sally Shue:

Please be advised that, after careful consideration, we have concluded that we cannot accept your case for further handling. We have not made any judgment regarding whether or not there was any negligence during the care you received by the Summa Health System entities, Dr. Paul Hartzfeld, or any other doctor, nurse, or provider you received treatment from August 10, 2023 to November 16, 2023. Rather, we have looked at the positive and negative factors in preparing the case for trial and have concluded that based upon our guidelines, we will be unable to handle your case. We will take no further action on your behalf and close our file. Another attorney may very well have a different opinion, and we encourage you to seek other counsel to represent your interests.

Under Ohio law, there are one or more Statutes of Limitations that apply to your case. This means that **if you do not file a lawsuit or continue your present lawsuit within the time established by law, your claim will be barred FOREVER, regardless of merit.** Therefore, if you wish to pursue your claim, you **MUST** contact another attorney **IMMEDIATELY** to discuss the appropriate time frames and to take **IMMEDIATE** action to preserve your claims.

On August 5, 2024, our office issued 180-day notices to potential defendants, informing them of the possibility of legal action being taken against them. As per statutory requirements, you have until February 1, 2025, to file a claim against the individuals or entities. We have attached copies of the 180-day letters that were sent out.

Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



**Sent via certified**