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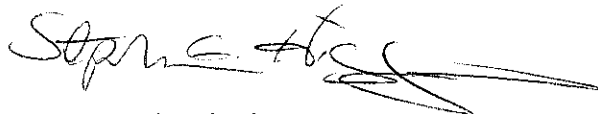
Dr. Victor Poletajev  
5107 Bryson Trail  
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Dear Dr. Poletajev:

Recently I engaged your services in a West Virginia Workers' Compensation claim and requested that you perform an Independent Medical Examination upon my client who had sustained a serious back injury while working for his employer. My client had been granted a 7% permanent partial disability award by the Workers' Compensation Division for his injury. Following your examination of my client, I submitted to the West Virginia Office of Judges' your report containing your opinion that my client had a 25% whole person impairment as a result of the subject injury. Shortly thereafter, my client was granted a 25% permanent partial disability award for his back injury which amounted to an additional 18% above that previously granted.

I appreciate the efforts that you consistently put forth on behalf of my clients. Your knowledge of the AMA Guides and their proper implementation is exemplary. I look forward to working with you again in the near future.

Sincerely,



Stephen G. Higgins

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