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COUNTY OF YANKTON)

IN CIRCUIT COURT FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CIV. #13-445 **SUMMONS**

KIM ANDREWS,

Plaintiffs,

ALLEN A SOSSAN, D.O., also known as ALAN A SOOSAN, also known as ALLEN A. SO-SAN, LEWIS & CLARK SPE-CIALTY HOSPITAL, LLC, a South Dakota Limited Liability Company, and RECONSTRUC-TIVE SPINAL SURGERY AND ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY, P.C., a New York Professional Corpo-

Defendants. *********

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS, ALLEN A. SOSSAN, D.O. a/k/a ALAN A SOOSAN, a/k/a ALLEN A SOO-SAN AND RECONSTRUCTIVE to SPINAL SURGERY AND OR-THOPEDIC SURGERY, P.C., 2200 NO. 49TH STREET, NOR-FOLK, NEBRASKA, 68701:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUM-MONED AND REQUIRED to answer the Complaint, of the above-named Plaintiff, a copy of which is hereto annexed and herewith served upon you, and to serve copies of your Answer on the Attorney for the Plaintiff at his office at P.O. Box 879 - 721 Douglas Avenue, Ste. 102, Yankton, SD 57078, within thirty (30) days after the service of this Summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service, and if you fail to answer within the said time, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief requested in the Complaint. A copy of this Summons and Complaint for medical malpractice have been filed with the Clerk of the above captioned Court.

Dated this 3 day of December

JAMES LAW, P.C.

Timothy L. James P.O. Box 879 721 Douglas, Ste. 102 Yankton, SD 57078 (605)665-0594 Attorney for Plaintiff

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA) COUNTY OF YANKTON)

CIV. #13-445

IN CIRCUIT COURT FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COMPLAINT AND JURY DEMAND

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Defendants.

COMES NOW Plaintiff, Kim Andrews, and for her Complaint against the above-named Defendants, Allen A. Sossan, D.O., a/k/a Alan A. Soosan, a/k/a Allen A. Soosan, Lewis & Clark Specialty Hospital, LLC, and Reconstructive Spinal Surgery and Orthopedic Surgery, P.C., states and alleges as follows:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE Plaintiff, Kim 1.

Andrews, is a resident of Nebraska.

Defendant, Allen A. 2.

san, D.O. ("Sossan") was at all times material hereto a resident of the State of Nebraska and engaged in the practice of medicine in the States of Nebraska and South Dakota and licensed as a physician under the laws of both of both States and at all times material was providing medical services to Plaintiff and at all times material was an employee, agent, and shareholder of Defendant, Lewis & Clark Specialty Hospital, LLC, and Defendant, Reconstructive Spinal Surgery and Orthopedic Surgery, P.C.. and acting within the scope of this employment with both.

Defendant, Lewis & 3.

Clark Specialty Hospital, LLC ("Hospital") was at all times material hereto a South Dakota Limited Liability Company organized for the purpose of providing medical services with its principal place of business in Yankton, South Dakota and at all times material had under its control and direction as its employee, shareholder and agent, Defendant, Sossan, who was acting within the scope of his employment and agency, thus subjecting Hospital to vicarious liability for the acts and omissions of Sossan. Hospital further has institutional liability in its own right for its failures, acts and omissions administratively and in the care provided to Plaintiff by its employees and agents.

4. Defendant, Reconstructive Spinal Surgery and Orthopedic Surgery, P.C., was at all times material hereto, a dissolved New York Professional Corporation, registered in the State of Nebraska and organized for the purpose of providing medical services and at all times material had under its control and direction as its employee and agent Defendant, Sossan, who was acting within the scope of his employment and agency, thus subjecting Reconstructive Spinal Surgery and Orthopedic Surgery, P.C. to vicarious liability for the acts and omis-

The acts that gave rise this Complaint occurred in Madison County, Nebraska and Yankton County, South Dakota.

sions of Sossan.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS On or about March 21, 2011, Plaintiff suffered a lifting injury to her back and was admitted as an inpatient at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital where she was seen by Sossan although she had no prior physician/patient relationship with Sossan.

During Plaintiff's first

counter with Sossan and while Plaintiff was in severe pain. Sossan advised Plaintiff that she absolutely required a series of surgeries for her lifting injury, including spine surgery from levels L3 to S1 and both sacroiliac joints.

During Plaintiff's first 8. en-

counter with Sossan, he advised Plaintiff that despite her fear of back surgery, if she would permit him to perform the proposed spine surgeries she would be 100% pain

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encounter with Sossan, and as further enticement, Sossan advised Plaintiff that he had recently performed the same surgical procedures on a construction worker who then returned to work within a very short time without any pain and that Plaintiff would achieve the same results with Sossan's proposed surgeries.

10. Sossan advised Plaintiff that although the surgeries were absolutely necessary he would first have to "go through

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the motions" of performing injections and radiofrequency for the sole purpose of securing approval for spinal surgeries.

- 11. At no time did Sossan offer Plaintiff any conservative measures or alternative therapies to address Plaintiff's back symptoms.
- 12. At no time did Sossan explain the medical necessity or lack thereof for the spine surgeries, the likelihood that Plaintiff would actually benefit from the spine surgeries, that the lifting injury symptoms may resolve without the surgeries or explain the risks of any spine surgeries, specifically that fusion surgery would likely cause additional issues at adjacent vertebral levels and that Plaintiff may have continuing or worsening back symptoms.
- 13. Following Plaintiff's discharge from Avera Sacred Heart on March 24, 2011, Plaintiff's condition began to improve without treatment.
- 14. On or about April 1, 2011, Sossan performed injections on plaintiff at Hospital and Plaintiff's condition continued to improve such that Plaintiff was able to participate in family outings and vacation without limitations.
- 15. On or about April 29, 2011, Sossan performed radiofrequency ablation on Plaintiff at Hospital and Plaintiff's condition had improved to pre-injury status and Plaintiff was doing her regular activities including carrying her laundry basket up and down the basement stairs and maintaining her lifestyle with anti-inflammatory and pain medications.
- 16. Prior to meeting Sossan, Plaintiff had never been a candidate for spinal surgery, did not want spinal surgery and feared having such a surgery.
- 17. Despite Plaintiff's marked improvement and return to pre-injury status, Sossan convinced Plaintiff, by false representations of absolute necessity and being completely pain free, to undergo the first extensive fusion surgery with an anterior approach from L-4 to S-1, on or about May 10, 2011, at Hospital.
- When Plaintiff asked Sossan why he was just doing L-4 to S-1 when he had previously stated that it was absolutely necessary to do L-3 to S-1 and the sacroiliac joints, Sossan explained that it was too dangerous to leave a patient on the surgery table for that length of time and the other areas would have to addressed in separate procedures.
- 19. In fact, Sossan knew that three level fusions were rarely indicated and Hospital had advised Sossan that he would not be allowed to proceed with three level fusions at Hospital.
- 20. On or about May 10. 2011, Sossan assisted by Kynan C. Trail, M.D. (Trail) a co-owner/shareholder of Hospital with Sossan, performed unnecessary spinal fusion surgery on Plaintiff at Hospital including anterior incision and fusion at levels L-4 and L-5 with cage placement resulting in Plaintiff's hospitalization at Hospital through May 15, 2011.
- 21. At no time did Trail or Sossan inform Plaintiff that they were both shareholders of Hospital and by recommending surgical procedures, not only stood to gain financially from performance of the surgery but also from the profit in Plaintiff's use of Hospital's surgical suite, staff, equipment and goods and Plaintiff's extended post-operative stay at Hospital.
- 22. At no time did Trail or Sossan inform Plaintiff of the medical necessity of the surgery, the likely and realistic outcomes of the surgery or the risks of the procedure and most specifically that they had recently experienced severe complications in another patient from anterior surgery.
- 23. Sossan inform Plaintiff that the anterior spinal surgery would likely result in additional symptoms at adjacent levels or that Plaintiff may have continuing or worsening symptoms.
- 2011, Sossan performed additional unnecessary spinal fusion strumentation resulting in Plaintiff's hospitalization at Hospital through May 28, 2011.
- 2011, Sossan performed unnecessary bilateral sacroiliac joint injections on Plaintiff at Hospital.
- 24, 2011, Sossan performed additional unnecessary spinal surgery on Plaintiff at Hospital including posterior exploration with total tomy and transfacet and far lateral discectomy and neural faraminotomy with bilateral L-4 to S-1 internal neurolyses and release of adhesions with fluoroscopic guidance resulting in Plaintiff's hospitalization at Hospital through October 26, 2011.
- 2012, Sossan performed unnecessary S1 or S-3 bilaterial Dorsal Primary Rami Medial Branch Nerve Radiofrequency Ablation on Plaintiff at Hospital.
- 3, 2012, Sossan performed addi-

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tional unnecessary spinal surgery on Plaintiff at Hospital including left sacroiliac joint fusion with implants resulting in Plaintiff's hospitalization at Hospital through

- February 4, 2012. 29. Sossan advised Plain-
- During Plaintiff's hospitalization at Hospital, Plaintiff was given morphine by agents by Hospital despite her documented allergy to morphine which resulted in a severe allergic reac-
- 31. Following, Plaintiff's February 3, 2012 procedure, Sosprivileges at other hospitals, was finally banned from performing any spinal surgeries at Hospital.
- 32. Sossan failed to tell Plaintiff the truth about his status but rather continued scheduling unnecessary appointments with Plaintiff to continue to bill Plainvent her from seeing another spinal surgeon.
- 33. Plaintiff has been unable to obtain her medical records from Sossan and has not received a complete medical record from Hospital who indicated to Plaintiff that it did not even have all the operative reports relating to Plain-

following the February 3, 2012 surmeet him at the offices of Don Swift, M.D. another co-owner/shareholder of Hospital

at which time Sossan did not have any of Plaintiff's medical records. 35. At the appointment at

plained that he was being held back by other area physicians who had "ancient" ideas and practices and did not appreciate his modern approaches to spine surgery and that the actions of other doctors were interfering with Plaintiff's treatment.

36. At the appointment at Dr. Swift's office, Sossan advised Plaintiff that the real reason for all of Plaintiff's back problems was that Plaintiff was overweight and she did not need any of the additional surgeries Sossan originally

tiff that she was fine and did not require any additional surgery yet Sossan ordered an unnecessary MRI for Plaintiff with a plan to review the MRI with Plaintiff at a

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- surgery on Plaintiff at Hospital including posterior incision and fusion at levels L-4 and L-5 with in-
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- 28. On or about February

- tiff that she would need to return to have the right sacroiliac joint fused in the near future.
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34. On one of the visits

gery, Sossan scheduled Plaintiff to

Dr. Swift's office, Sossan com-

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37. At an October, 2012

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subsequent appointment. 38. Following the October, 2012, MRI, Plaintiff contacted Sossan's office as directed by Sossan but his office was closed

- and Sossan could not be reached. 39. However, Plaintiff received a bill from Sossan for a follow-up appointment that never
- occurred. 40. Sossan was convicted of felony burglary in 1983 for burglarizing the St. Petersburg Junior College science department to steal answers to a biology test under the name Alan A. Soosan
- until 1987. 41. Thereafter, Sossan began changing his name, first to Allen A. Soosan and then to his current name of Allen A. Sossan.

and remained on felony probation

- 42. In 2004, Sossan failed to advise the Nebraska medical board of his true identity, failed to disclose his 1983 felony, failed to disclose his probation status, failed to report a prior malpractice claim and committed the act of perjury in signing a false and misleading application for licensing.
- 43. On information and belief, Sossan committed similar acts of perjury in making application to other medical boards including South Dakota.
- 44. Hospital failed to properly investigate Sossan's history of improper acts and perjurious conduct and loss of privileges at prior hospitals and negligently provided Sossan with privileges and access to patients such as Plaintiff and further allowed Sossan to exert influence and control at Hospital in the capacity of shareholder.
- 45. By January, 2012, Hospital knew or should have known that Sossan had been engaged in the practice of performing unnecessary surgeries, was being criticized by other reputable spine surgeons for improper surgeries and was having or had his privilege revoked by other hospitals.
- 46. Hospital continued to allow Sossan to perform surgeries to reap the financial benefits from the high cost of spinal surgery performed by Sossan until such time that even Hospital forced Sossan to give up his privileges and financial interest in Hospital but not until Sossan completed additional unnecessary surgery on Plaintiff.
- 47. Plaintiff would not have allowed any treatment or surgery by Sossan, Trail and Hospital had she been made aware of Sossan's history of improper conduct and lying on applications to become licensed and privileged;



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