



Food and Drug Administration
OFFICE OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS
MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW

CASE NUMBER: 2005-MWM-715-0153
CASE TITLE: ALBERT POET
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 87050
PERSON INTERVIEWED: JOAN [REDACTED]
PLACE OF INTERVIEW: BEACH HAVEN, NEW JERSEY
DATE OF INTERVIEW: 07/12/2005
TIME OF INTERVIEW: 10:30 AM
INTERVIEWED BY: SAs MARC HESS AND GLEN MCELRAVY

OTHER PERSONS PRESENT:

JOAN [REDACTED] was contacted at her residence. After being advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview H [REDACTED] provided the following information.

H [REDACTED] learned of SHOELASER, Dr. ALBERTS POET's medical practice in Manahawkin, New Jersey, in or about summer 2003 via his website. H [REDACTED] was searching for a practice near to Long Beach Island, New Jersey, where she could receive Botox and treatments. POET's website indicated that he offered treatments including Botox and Restylane. H [REDACTED] was impressed by POET's website and considered it to be very complete. The website clearly indicated to H [REDACTED] that POET offered Botox, rather than any other Botulinum Toxin based drug, as a treatment for wrinkles.

H [REDACTED] received "Botox" treatments from POET from approximately July, 2003, to December, 2004.

H [REDACTED] previously received Botox treatments from Dr. Jim Moore, Athens, Georgia in the winter to early spring of 2003.

POET prepared and administered the "Botox" treatments for H [REDACTED] with an assistant present.

POET charged H [REDACTED] \$300.00 per visit. H [REDACTED] paid by check and did not receive a receipt.

H [REDACTED] did not recall if POET provided her with a consent form. POET did discuss possible side effects of Botox treatment.

H [REDACTED] specifically asked POET to give her Botox treatments. H [REDACTED] did not recall whether or how POET verbally replied to this request, but POET did initiate treatments which H [REDACTED] believed utilized Botox. H [REDACTED] did not recall POET ever discussing the possibility of utilizing another Botulinum Toxin drug instead of Botox.

H [REDACTED] would not have consented to receive an unapproved Botulinum Toxin drug instead of Botox. If H [REDACTED] learned that such an unauthorized substitution had occurred she would have felt misled.

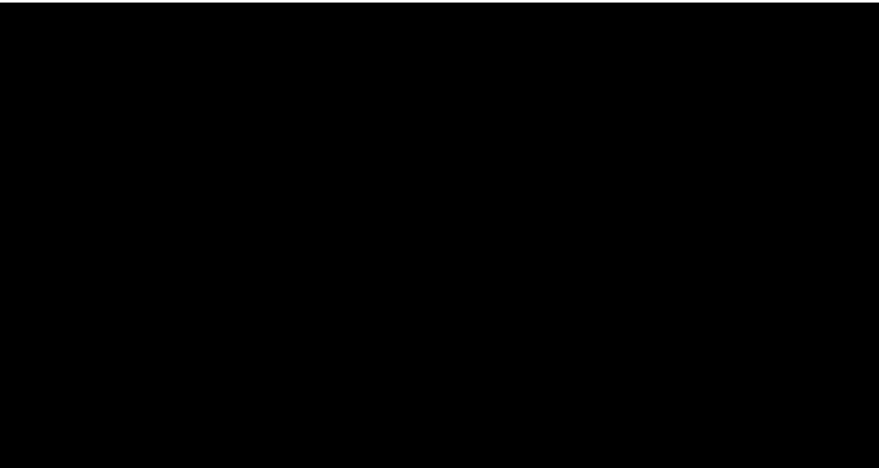
H [REDACTED] has been ill with suspicious symptoms since fall, 2004. H [REDACTED] believed this could be related to the "Botox" treatment provided by Poet and provided the following account of circumstances surrounding her illness. In July, 2004, during a "Botox" treatment session by POET with injections to the sides of her eyes and

her forehead, H■■■■ felt a pain and believed that POET had hit a nerve in her forehead. H■■■■ indicated her concern to POET. POET told H■■■■ she would be fine. Soon thereafter H■■■■ experienced twinges and tightness in her right eye. H■■■■ soon lost the ability to track objects with her right eye and also came down with shingles and sinusitis. H■■■■ saw doctors including an optic neurologist, a tear duct specialist, a neurologist, an internist, and a rheumatologist. One doctor diagnosed H■■■■ with "speculative sensory nerve damage".

H■■■■ did not subsequently consult POET regarding these symptoms. H■■■■ was treated by POET on one final occasion in December, 2004.

By interview and observation the following descriptive data concerning H■■■■ was obtained.

NAME: JOAN ■■■■
SEX: FEMALE ■■■■
DOB: OCTOB ■■■■
RACE: WHITE ■■■■
PENNSYLVAN ■■■■
DL: 28 170566 ■■■■
HEIGHT/BUILD ■■■■
HAIR/EYES: B ■■■■
RESIDENCE 1: ■■■■
BEACH HAV ■■■■
RESIDENCE 2: ■■■■
STATE COLL ■■■■
EMPLOYMENT ■■■■
TELEPHONES: ■■■■



NAME-TITLE _____
MARC HESS, SPECIAL AGENT

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GLEN MCELRAVY

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APPROVED: _____
KIM RICE, SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

DATE: 08/09/2005

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