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Greene Broillet Wheeler's 10 Lawsuits Against UCI's Liver Transplant Program Will Be Consolidated

SANTA ANA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 15, 2006--Santa Ana Superior Court Judge Jonathan H. Cannon today ordered the consolidation of all lawsuits pending against The Regents of the University of California arising over the University of California at Irvine's Liver Transplant Program. Greene Broillet Wheeler, LLP's ten wrongful death and personal injury lawsuits will be consolidated with other similar cases and will be controlled by Judge Cannon. The Judge also ruled that the Plaintiffs may begin deposing the Defendants 46-days from today.

"We want to get to the bottom of why UCI's Liver Transplant Program failed to adhere to its own mandate," stated Mark T. Quigley, whose firm Greene Broillet Wheeler represents ten of the individuals or families who have sued UCI, "and we intend to be aggressive in deposing all responsible parties to uncover the truth. It is our ultimate goal to hold UCI accountable for the clear harm and grief that it has caused our clients."

"The UCI Liver Transplant Program dangled our client Elodie Irvine for over four years," explained Quigley, "before she took action against them and reported her concerns to Federal authorities. "Even then, UCI did not take any proactive steps to correct its problems and waited until the government decertified the program and shut it down last November. It seems that UCI's Liver Transplant leadership was more interested in appearances and profits than patient safety. Greene Broillet Wheeler has the depth of litigation experience and resources necessary to see these cases through to trial and we will work with co-counsel to see that justice is served."

Greene Broillet represents the Arms Family, the Degenhardt Family, the Hambarian Family, the Henderson Family, the Vu Family and the Wade Family, who all filed complaints for damages for the wrongful death of a family member who allegedly died while under the care of UCI's Liver Transplant Program. The firm also represents Barry Johnson, Chris Millington, Yolanda Sanchez, and Diane Tovar, who all filed complaints for damages for personal injuries allegedly sustained while awaiting an organ transplant as a patient of UCI's Medical Center. The partners handling these cases are Browne Greene and Mark T. Quigley with the Santa Monica, CA. law firm of Greene Broillet Wheeler, LLP. Arms, et. al. vs. Regents of the University of California, Case Number 06CC01920.

About Greene Broillet Wheeler, LLP

Greene Broillet Wheeler, LLP (www.greene-broillet.com <<http://www.greene-broillet.com>>) is recognized as one of the nation's top twenty plaintiffs law firms, and its partners are widely recognized for their impressive negotiation and trial skills. The firm won the highest product liability jury verdict in history, a \$4.9 billion award against General Motors, and has gone toe-to-toe against heavy hitters for over two decades in matters in which clients have been seriously injured, maimed or who have wrongfully died.

Editor's Note

Plaintiffs are represented by Browne Greene and Mark T. Quigley with the Santa Monica, CA. law firm of Greene Broillet Wheeler (www.greene-broillet.com); <<http://www.greene-broillet.com>>; Tel: 310.576.1200. The attorneys also represent Elodie Irvine in her appeal of her civil suit against UCI's Medical Center.

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