

**In the Iowa District Court
in and for
Polk County Iowa**

George McMahon, Bryan Scott, and
Barbara Douglass, Petitioners

and

Carl E. Olsen, Intervenor

vs.

The Iowa Board of Pharmacy,
Respondent

Docket No. CV 7415

Statement of Barbara Douglass

COMES NOW, Petitioner Barbara Douglass, and respectfully states:

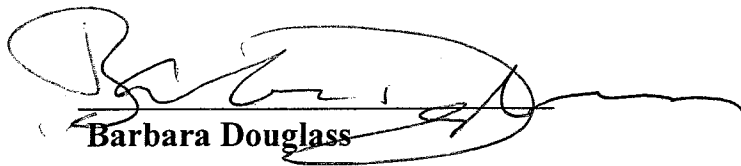
I am Barbara Douglass, one of the Petitioners in this matter. For over 20 years I have resided in Storm Lake, IA, and that is still my residence. For all of that time I have been afflicted with multiple sclerosis. In 1991, I was admitted into the federal New Investigational Drug and Compassionate Use Program. I have remained in that program because I was unable to successfully use other drug regimes to alleviate the symptoms of my multiple sclerosis. Marijuana controls many of my major symptoms including spasms, nausea and shaking hands.

Under the federal "Investigational Drug Program," I am provided with marijuana cigarettes by the federal government. My use is monitored by a physician who is accepted by the program. Recently my physician retired and I had a difficult time finding a new physician to be my sponsor in the program because marijuana is considered to be an illegal substance in Iowa that has no officially recognized medical use. This resulted in a cessation of my therapy. When I stopped using marijuana during this period, my symptoms worsened.

President Bush closed the program to new participants a long time ago. I believe that I am one of the last three people who can obtain marijuana for medical use in treatment from the federal government. I am worried that the program will be discontinued and that Iowa physicians will not be able to prescribe or supervise my continued use of marijuana for medical purposes.

I believe that as long as marijuana is scheduled as a substance that has "no acceptable medical use" in Iowa I will always be at risk of not having a physician to prescribe or monitor my use of marijuana for medical purposes.

I state under penalty of perjury that the forgoing is true and correct to the best of my information and belief.


Barbara Douglass

Certificate of Service

I certify that on or before January 30, 2009 I served the other parties to this action with notice of this motion by mailing true copies to all parties of record or their attorneys as the case may be and as shown below:

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