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National Institute for Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases National Institutes of Health Freedom of Information Office 900 Rockville Pike, Building 31 Bethesda, Maryland 20892

Attention: John Condry

Re:

Michael P. Nofi as Administrator of the Estate of

Wendy Nofi, Deceased v. Cornell University, et al

Supreme Court:

Nassau County (NY)

Index No.:

97-031505

Justice:

Hon. Bernard McCaffrey

## Dear Mr. Condry:

Please be advised that this firm represents the plaintiffs in the above-referenced action involving the administration of contaminated Human Growth Hormone to the plaintiff's decedent, Wendy Nofi, between the years 1971 and 1978. As a result of the contaminated HGH therapy, the decedent contracted Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease, and ultimately passed away on June 18, 1998.

Please accept this letter as a formal application under the Freedom of Information Act to permit representatives of this office, on behalf of the plaintiffs, to review and copy all pertinent government documentation (approximately 97 boxes worth) pertaining to Human Growth Hormone presently in the government's possession in connection with this matter.

Should you wish to discuss this matter or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned directly.

I would most appreciate your advising when we may be permitted to inspect and copy the records. Any efforts to expedite this request would be greatly appreciated.



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Thank you for your anticipated courtesy and cooperation herein.

Very truly yours,

Raymond J. Suris

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