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RE: Michael Willens, D.O.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter in support of Dr. Willens. Dr. Willens did his residency at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation Department of Anesthesiology and Pain Management Center.

Dr. Willens had demonstrated his superior knowledge and expertise in pain management. He consistently demonstrates his adequate compassion as a physician and pain management specialist. He never fails to explore all aspects of patients who suffer from chronic pain while staying focused on practical issues. Technically, he is well versed in interventional pain management, he works well with his peer group, and demonstrates solid medical knowledge and judgement. He is well liked by his peers because he is a team player.

In summary, Dr. Willens is an excellent doctor who contributes to patient care, as well as improving the patient's experience when they are being treated at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation. I recommend him without hesitation.

Sincerely,



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To Whom It May Concern:

I have known Dr. Willens for the last three years who, as a resident, elected to spend time as a special fellow in the Pain Management Department at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation.

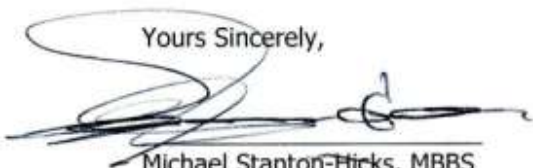
Dr. Willens is a mature, well-rounded anesthesiologist who has gained considerable respect at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation during his time as a resident in the Division of Anesthesiology. During that time he has demonstrated considerable skills and understanding of patients with chronic and acute pain. In fact, Dr. Willens has a particular acumen for the management of patients with complex medical conditions.

As you are probably aware, the Pain Management Department at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation is a CARF accredited, multidisciplinary program that provides most conservative, interventional and alternative medical techniques for the management of patients with complex pain. In this context, Dr. Willens has certainly taken advantage of all these aspects and has an inherent familiarity and ability to perform regional anesthetic and other interventional procedures.

Dr. Willens has excellent relationships with his peers, nursing staff and is popular with his patients.

I would have no hesitation in accepting him as a member of the staff at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation, and I wish him well in his professional career.

Yours Sincerely,



Michael Stanton-Hicks, MBBS

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