speech therapy and was able to be weaned off PEG feedings and eat on his own. He was discharged in stable condition with a plan for follow-up with his PCP and other specialists for continued management. Given the severity of his medical condition when he presented to me as a patient, his outcome was excellent. His claim that I didn't see him in the hospital is categorically false as I both spoke to and physically examined Mr. Lawrence every day that he was my patient. His complaints of residual effects from his long and complicated stay at multiple hospitals are completely explained by the damage caused by his cardiac arrest, respiratory failure, renal failure and anoxic brain injury. There is no evidence to suggest that the care he received did anything but save his life, as his excellent outcome demonstrates.

I also refute Mr. Lawrence's claim that he is only just now, in March of 2025, able to send this board complaint despite receiving his care in 2021 (4 years after receiving treatment). Shortly after discharge, Mr. Lawrence created a website (victimsofacch.org) and a blog with the explicit purpose of slandering me, specifically, and the hospitals that cared for him. He made false statements about the care I provided and directly against the hospitals. He also created a second website (dirtyrottenshame.com) containing the same information and allegations. Among other information, he documented his journey from lawyer to lawyer attempting to sue me for medical malpractice and the continued response that, after review of the records, there was no evidence of any negligence or harm. Attorneys for the hospital got involved at this point and sent him a cease-and-desist letter, after which he restricted access to these websites; however, they can still be viewed when directly searched. This information has been catalogued as evidence by hospital legal counsel and I expect it can be provided if needed.

Mr. Lawrence's outcome was excellent given the severity of his presenting condition and his residual debility is a result of the serious medical conditions he endured (anoxic brain injury, cardiac arrest, renal failure, etc.), and not a result of the appropriate and necessary medications he received during his long and complicated hospital stay. I wish to thank the Board for their consideration and hope to have this issue resolved.

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