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Elethia Dean: ASC Compliance Wants to Compete in the Marketplace, Not Court

Columbus, Ohio, June 24, 2015 - Elethia Dean recently settled a long-running legal claim by her former employer, Progressive Surgical Solutions (PSS), for nuisance value. In the litigation, Dr. Dean denied all claims by PSS, including that it had any unique intellectual property in any materials alleged to be infringed, asserting that PSS had itself copied all such materials from third party companies. Dr. Dean also counter-claimed against PSS for misappropriation of her original work. The suit, the continuance of which a PSS representative conceded was motivated at least in part by how well Dr. Dean's company ASC Compliance was performing in the marketplace, was resolved with neither party admitting any liability for any of the claims alleged. Finally, as part of that settlement, PSS admitted that ASC Compliance's current materials are not legally similar to those of PSS.

"At the end of the day, we decided to pay a nuisance value settlement to rid ourselves of what we thought to be frivolous claims. ASC Compliance offers something PSS cannot, as I completed my PhD dissertation on passing Medicare surveys without deficiencies. The products of ASC Compliance are evidence-based and scholarly prepared in meeting the needs of ASCs, including but not limited to benchmarking, CE credits and infection control training. We will continue to focus on bringing exceptional materials to our clients, and invite anyone in the industry to judge for themselves who can provide superior service at a superior cost point." Dr. Elethia Dean, CEO, ASC Compliance, LLC. For more information, contact Dr. Elethia Dean at <u>elethia@asccompliance.com;</u> phone: 937-478-1878; or visit <u>www.asccompliance.com</u>.

About ASC Compliance LLC

ASC Compliance was developed with the goal to equip clients with the tools necessary to increase efficiency and profitability, while still meeting regulatory requirements in the ambulatory surgery center setting. Dr. Elethia Dean, the CEO of ASC Compliance is a PhD prepared nurse with the focus of her PhD dissertation on passing Medicare surveys without deficiencies. The ASC Compliance Team enjoys working with clients from all specialities, meeting needs such as mock surveys, iComply membership, policies and procedures, benchmarking and infection control training.

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