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**D. SUBJECT  
STATEMENT**

If the subject identified in Section B of this report has submitted a statement, the unedited statement appears in this section.

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IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED CASE, THE PATIENT'S TORSO WAS LIFTED CAREFULLY (WITH HIS PARTICIPATION) APPROXIMATELY 4 INCHES OFF HIS BED TO ALLOW PLACEMENT OF A PAD UNDER HIS PELVIS SO THAT AN ACCURATE LATERAL X-RAY COULD BE OBTAINED. DURING THE COURSE OF THIS LIFT, WHICH WAS DONE WITH ALL OF THE USUAL SUPPORT AND PRECAUTIONS EXERCISED IN OUR RADIOGRAPHIC SUITE, THE PATIENT FELT THE IDENTICAL TYPE OF CLICK THAT HE HAD EXPERIENCED WHEN THE ORIGINAL PAIN HAD DEVELOPED.

IN ADDITION, THE MUSCLE CONTRACTIONS HE GENERATED HELPING US RAISE HIS PELVIS CAUSED THE FRACTURE OF THE FEMUR TO FLEX SOMEWHAT AND THE FRACTURE THEN BECAME VISIBLE TO THE PATIENT FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE IT HAD OCCURRED AT HOME. DESPITE THE FACT THAT HE HIMSELF REPORTED THAT THIS WAS IDENTICAL TO THE PAIN AND CLICK HE HAD EXPERIENCED AT HOME AND DURING HIS HOSPITAL STAY, HE BECAME CONVINCED THAT THE TECHNICIAN AND I HAD BROKEN HIS FEMUR AT THAT MOMENT AND THAT ALL PREVIOUS PAIN AND CLICK WERE DUE TO SOME OTHER UNKNOWN CAUSE. AFTER TEN YEARS OF LITIGATION, THE HOSPITAL ULTIMATELY SETTLED. I CATEGORICALLY DENY ANY NEGLIGENCE OR WRONGDOING BY MYSELF OF THE RADIOLOGY TECHNICIAN WHO HELPED OBTAIN THESE X-RAYS IN THIS CASE. THIS IS AN UNFORTUNATE CASE OF "SHOOTING THE MESSENGER".

**E. REPORT  
STATUS**

An "X" indicates that the information in this report has been

- Disputed by the subject identified in Section B.
- Elevated for decision by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services -- Pending.
- Reviewed by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, who has made the following comment concerning the report:

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END OF REPORT

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