

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH Office of Health Care Access

July 23, 2012

VIA FACSIMILE ONLY

Michele M. Volpe Attorney Berhstein, Volpe, & McKeon, P.C. 105 Court Street New Haven, Connecticut 06511

RE:

Certificate of Need, Report No.: 12-31761-DTR

Connecticut Surgical Arts, LLC

Reorganizing of Connecticut Surgical Arts, LLC

Dear Attorney Volpe:

On May 16, 2012, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your determination request on behalf of Richard J. Martin, M.D., d/b/a Connecticut Surgical Arts, LLC ("Center"), with respect to whether a Certificate of Need ("CON") is required for the reorganization of the Center.

Dr. Martin, the current sole owner of the Center, proposes to organize the Center into a limited liability company and sell minority ownership interest to other physician investors and to Merritt Healthcare which will act as the third party management company for the Center. After the proposed reorganization, the new member physicians, along with Dr. Martin will continue to own a seventy-five percent (75%) interest in the Center.

Based upon the foregoing, OHCA concludes that a CON is not required for the Center to reorganize as greater than sixty percent (60%) of the ownership interest will be held by persons licensed pursuant to Section 20-13, as required pursuant to General Statutes § 19a-493b (c).

Thank you for informing OHCA of your plans and if you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Steven W. Lazarus, Associate Health Care Analyst at (860) 418-7012.

Sincerely,

C:

Kimberly R. Martone

Director of Operations, OHCA

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