

ROSE M. RITTER, as Administrator of	:	IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF
the Estate of Robert Ritter;	:	LYCOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
ROSE M. RITTER, Individually,	:	
Plaintiff	:	
	:	
vs.	:	NO: 98-01,188
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JOHN H. CHAPMAN, M.D.,	:	
EDWARD L. WOODS, M.D.,	:	
KEITH CHU, M.D.,	:	
CHRISTOPHER MALAFRONTI, P.A.-C,	:	
H. WILLIAM MAHAFFY, P.A.-C,	:	
PENN STATE GEISINGER CLINIC	:	
Successor in Interest to GEISINGER	:	
CLINIC, GEISINGER CLINIC,	:	
GEISINGER MEDICAL CENTER,	:	
Defendants	:	PRELIMINARY OBJECTIONS

Date: February 8, 2001

OPINION and ORDER

Before the Court are the Preliminary Objections of Defendants to Plaintiff's third Amended Complaint, those objections having been filed on October 17, 2000. After argument the Court finds that the factual and procedural background is appropriately set forth in the Brief of Plaintiff filed on December 28, 2000. In addition, this Court finds that the argument presented by Plaintiff in that Brief to be persuasive as would relate to the manner of disposition of those Preliminary Objections and hereby accepts and incorporates that argument as the opinion of the Court in this matter and the basis for the Court's reasoning in the following order.

Accordingly, it is ORDERED and DIRECTED that the Preliminary Objections are DISMISSED. Defendants shall file an answer to the Third Amended Complaint within twenty days of the filing of this Order.

BY THE COURT,

WILLIAM S. KIESER, JUDGE

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