IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LYCOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

PATRICIA B. HELMER-HOFFMAN, : No. 00-00769

Plaintiff

:

vs. : CIVIL ACTION - LAW

Motion in Limine

JOSH BUTTERS, : Re: Video of Botox

Defendants : Injections

ORDER

AND NOW, this 4th day of March 2003, the Court

GRANTS in part and DENIES in part the Defendant's Motion in

Limine regarding a videotape of an individual receiving

Botox injections. The Court will permit the Plaintiff to

show the videotape, but will require the Plaintiff to mute

the sound. Although the individual receiving the injections

is not the Plaintiff, the Court finds the videotape is

relevant and admissible demonstrative evidence to show how

Botox injections are administered. The Court is requiring

the Plaintiff to mute the tape, however, because the

individual makes sounds, sometimes of pain, and makes

comments about the procedure to the doctor or technician

administering the injections. The Plaintiff can testify

regarding any pain she experiences or difficulties she

encounters with the injections, but the individual's sounds

and comments are not relevant to this proceeding. With the tape muted, the Court finds it is not unduly prejudicial or emotional so that a jury could not fairly decide the weight it should be given.

By The Court,

Kenneth D. Brown, Judge

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