

DECLARATION OF RICHARD WEIDMAN, M.D.

I, Richard Weidman, M.D., have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this declaration and, if called as a witness, I could and would testify competently thereto under oath. I declare as follows:

1. I am a medical doctor, and I am currently head physician at the U.S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Washington, D.C.

2. A copy of my curriculum vitae is attached to this Declaration.

3. I have not physically examined Terri Schiavo, however I base my opinions on my extensive experiences with my mother, who had Alzheimer's disease and a severe decrease in cerebral tissue, whom I personally cared for for over twenty years. I have read articles and seen pictures of Terri Schiavo on the news and on the Internet.

4. Based on my observations and experiences, Terri Schiavo is not in a persistent vegetative state. Someone in a persistent vegetative state has no cortical activity and would not be able to smile or cognitively respond to external stimuli, and Ms. Schiavo is able to do both.

5. I examined several of the CT Scans done on my mother over a lengthy period of time. Those CT Scans showed a significant decline in gray matter. I was told by other medical doctors that, based on the test results, she was not able to process information, however, she was able to recognize and respond to people and objects and showed significant signs of alertness.

Therefore, it is my opinion, based on my personal experience and medical training, that Ms. Schiavo is not in a persistent vegetative state, and shows signs of having much more complex cerebral activity than can be inferred from a CT Scan or an MRI.

6. I am willing to compare test results done on my mother's brain to those done on Ms. Schiavo's brain, and then testify as to the behavior displayed by my mother and how that would be important to Ms. Schiavo.

7. I believe that Ms. Schiavo needs to be evaluated and examined using all of the new tests

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and treatments available because an accurate evaluation of her cerebral function can not be ascertained through the use of any one test by itself. There are therapies available to help Ms. Schiavo.

8. I am willing to testify regarding my personal experiences with a severely brain damaged patient, my mother, in order to show the difference between ^{AN INDIVIDUAL (RW 3/4/05)} a with no cognitive function and someone who is disabled.

I declare under the penalty of perjury under the laws of Washington, D.C. that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 4TH day of MARCH 2005, in Washington D.C.

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MEDICAL STAFF PRIVILEGES:

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Health Services Department
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(1989 - 1992)

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION:

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B.A., 1973 (Physics)

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POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL TRAINING:

Internship (Internal Medicine):

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Residency (Internal Medicine):

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Fellowship (Anesthesiology/Critical Care Medicine):

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Residency (Anesthesiology):

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MEDICAL LICENSURE:

New York (1980)
Virginia (1984)
District of Columbia (1989)
Maryland (1989)

Active licensure: District of Columbia
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CERTIFICATION:

American Board of Internal Medicine (1980)

National Board of Medical Examiners (1978)

MEMBERSHIPS:

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SPECIALIZED TRAINING COURSES

SHEA/CDC Intensive Training Course in Healthcare Epidemiology (2004)

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