### Let us be the ONE CALL you make for all your litigation needs.

- Preliminary Case **Evaluations**
- Comprehensive Case **Evaluations**
- Expert Witness Referrals
- Personal Injury/

- **Product Liability** Experts
- **RN** Synopsis & Review
- Literature Research Service
- Film Duplication

## Saponaro, Inc.



Assisting Trial Lawyers Since 1974





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### **About Us**

Saponaro, Inc., is chosen every day, by attorneys, insurance professionals, and other private and public agencies, because of our strong selection of premier Experts in all areas of litigation.

We have a straight forward process that allows you to calculate your cost of hiring an Expert. Our services include Case Evaluations, Expert Witness Referrals, RN Synopsis & Reviews, and Independent Medical Exams.

If you represent a client that has been injured, request an Expert today.

We offer a NO OBLIGATION discussion to help you obtain the best Expert for your case.

Our highly qualified staff can assist you with our menu of services including Literature Research, Film Duplication and Medical Records Management.

Saponaro, Inc., can make the difference with an Expert that has the best interest of your case in mind. That is why we thoroughly screen your case with potential Experts to obtain the best available match.

Let us be the one call you make for all of your Expert needs.

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### Why Choose Us

Trust in Saponaro, Inc., for a professional and objective Expert Witness. We have thousands of Experts standing by to assist you with your case.

We save you time to do what you know best - practice law... with the confidence that your case requirements will be met.

Our fee structure is more than competitive, and we do not invoice for our Experts. Therefore, there are no hidden costs.

- We thoroughly screen your case with our Experts to obtain the best available match.
- We stand behind our service, offering second evaluations in the same specialty at a reduced fee, and replacement Experts in the same specialty at no additional cost.
- All medical reviews are completed by practicing, board-certified physicians, who are willing to support their opinions through deposition and/or testimony.
- All other reviews are done by Expert professionals in designated areas of specialty.
- Direct referrals are available in every specialty.
- We provide a no-obligation discussion of your case with a recommendation for service with our highly qualified staff.
- We have provided Experts to thousands of attorneys across the United States and Canada since 1974.





## **Case Evaluation Services**

#### **Preliminary Case Evaluation**

The Preliminary Case Evaluation is performed by a practicing physician, with strong experience in medical-legal medicine. The Preliminary Evaluation addresses the potential merits of your case, with a recommendation of the Expert(s) that will be required if you decide to further investigate the case.

#### You will receive:

A report on Saponaro, Inc., letterhead that will address the general merits of the case and a recommendation for the type of Expert you will need to pursue the case, if warranted.

#### **Comprehensive Case Evaluation**

The Comprehensive Case Evaluation is conducted by a practicing, and board-certified physician, in the specialty of concern and/or appropriate healthcare professional. This Comprehensive Evaluation speaks to the specific merits of the case. If the case is favorable, this forensic report will outline the deviations from the accepted standards of care; the care that should have been provided; and if able, what effect the negligence had on the outcome. The report will also recommend other specialists that will be required to assist in pursuit of your case.

#### You will receive:

A report on Saponaro, Inc., letterhead that will address the merits of the case. If the case is favorable, an Expert referral will be arranged. The Expert that reviews your file is willing to support their opinion through deposition, video deposition and/or trial.

### **Areas of Expertise - Medical**

Aerospace Medicine

Allergy & Immunology

Anesthesiology Critical Care Medicine Pain Management

Chiropractor Colon & Rectal Surgery

Dental - All Specialties

Dermatology Clinical and Laboratory Dermatological Immunology Dermatopathology Emergency Medicine Pediatric Emergency Medicine Family Medicine Geriatric Medicine Sports Medicine

General Surgery -All Specialties Hand Surgery

Hospital Administration Hyperbaric Medicine

Internal Medicine Cardiac Electrophysiology Cardiovascular Disease Critical Care Medicine Diagnostic Laboratory Immunology Gastroenterology Geriatric Medicine Hematology Infectious Disease Medical Oncology Nephrology Pulmonary Disease Rheumatology Sports Medicine Massotherapy

Medical Genetics Clinical Biochemical Genetics Clinical Cytogenetics Clinical Genetics Clinical Molecular Genetics Neurological Surgery Neurology Child Neurology Clinical Neurophysiology Nuclear Medicine Nursing - All Specialties

Nursing Home - All Specialties

Obstetrics/Gynecology Critical Care Medicine Gynecologic Oncology Maternal & Fetal Medicine Reproductive Endocrinology Occupational Medicine Public Health & General Occupational Therapy

#### **Ophthalmology Surgery**

Oral Surgery Orthopaedic Surgery -All Specialties Orthopedics Sports Medicine

Pediatrics Diagnostic Laboratory Immunology Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine Pediatric Anesthesiology Pediatric Cardiology Pediatric Critical Care Ped. Emergency Medicine Pediatric Endocrinology Ped.Gastroenterology Ped.Gastroenterology Ped. Hematology- Oncology Pediatric Nephrology Ped. Pain Management Pediatric Pulmonology Pediatric Rheumatology Sports Medicine

Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation Physical Therapy

Plastic Surgery Preventive Medicine Psychiatry Addiction Psychiatry Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Clinical Neurophysiology Geriatric Psychiatry Radiology Diagnostic Radiology Nuclear Radiology Radiation Oncology Radiological Physics

Speech Therapy

Thoracic Surgery

Urology

Osteopathic Physicians -All Specialties

Otolaryngology Pathology Anatomic Pathology Anatomic & Clinical Pathology **Blood Banking/Transfusion** Medicine **Chemical Pathology** Clinical Pathology Cytopathology Dermatopathology Forensic Pathology Hematology Immunopathology Medical Microbiology Neuropathology Pediatric Pathology Radioisotopic Pathology

## **Expert Witness Referral Services**

#### **Expert Witness Referrals**

Upon receipt of the overview, your case will be screened with a board-certified physician or appropriate Expert in the specialty of concern, and we will recommend the Expert best suited to assist you. We recommend this service for attorneys who prefer to work directly with the Expert.

#### You will receive:

A Curriculum Vitae will be provided, along with the Expert's fee for review and consultation. You can then send the records to the Expert for an objective review. If for any reason you are not satisfied with the referral, a replacement will be provided at no additional cost.

#### **Direct Witness Referrals**

Upon receipt of the overview, we will determine the appropriate board-certified physician or Expert who would be best qualified to assist with your case, and allow you to contact the Expert directly to discuss the case.

We recommend this service for attorneys who want the convenience of our help in locating an Expert, but prefer not to have a relationship established between our firm and the Expert.

#### You will receive:

A Curriculum Vitae will be provided, along with the Expert contact information, so that you make the initial introduction of your case with the Expert. If for any reason you are not satisfied with the referral, a replacement will be provided at no additional cost.

# Areas of Expertise -Personal Injury / Product Liability

18-Wheeler Accidents Accident Reconstruction Arrest, Search & Seizure Aquatic Safety Swimming Pool Accidents Aviation Bank Officer Malfeasance/Conflict of Interest Bank Policies & Procedures Lender Liability Bankruptcy Biomechanical Burns-Chemical Certified Accounting Examiner Child Abuse Clergy Abuse **Confined Spaces** Construction Consumer & Credit Reporting Laws **Correctional Facilities Education Policy** Employment Engineering - All Specialties Environmental Toxicology Excessive Use of Force Fire Arms Misuse and Wrongful Conduct Fire Investigators Forensic Pathology/Toxicology

Forensic Accounting Commercial Lending/Commercial Finance Jail Suicide Insurance Law Enforcement Medical Device Real Estate Rental Equipment School Safety Sexual Harassment/Discrimination Sports & Recreation Trains <u>Workplace Violence Issues</u>

### Don't see the Expert you need? We are adding Experts daily, please contact our office for your specific Expert needs.

Mortgage Lending & Foreclosure Mortgage Litigation OSHA Pepper Spray/Taser Misuse Pharmacy Standards Physical Therapy Premises Liability Premises Security Issues Police Misconduct Questioned Document Examiner



## **RN Synopsis** & **Review**

Upon receipt of all medical records, a nurse will organize the records in chronological order and provide the following services:

- Establish timelines and chronologies of events.
- Clarify medical history prior to an injury in question.
- Explain injuries related to an accident/injury.
- Assist medical experts in analysis of the electronic medical records
- Outline potential deviations and potential defendents.
- Explain medical issues and terminology.
- Recommend the type of Expert needed.
- Conduct literature research.

### Independent Medical Exams

IME for your Personal Injury, Product Liability and Workers' Compensation cases.

Independent Medical Evaluations (IMEs) are often required to answer specific medical questions, including the relationship of diagnosis to the specific injury, accident or illness; further treatment recommendations; extent of permanent impairment or disability; and other information as needed. These examinations are often performed by doctors who work for the insurance companies.

Our practicing physician consultants possess a broad range of credentials, including the American Board of Independent Medical Examiners and board certifications in their respective specialties. Our Experts are completely objective and can provide the following services:

Second opinions Peer evaluations Chart reviews Legal testimony Functional capacity evaluations Fitness for duty exams Permanent impairment rating Certified Disability Evaluations

Specific Areas of IMEs: Pain Management Orthopedics Neurology Physical Therapy Occupational Therapy Neuropsychology TMJ Specialists Psychiatry Vascular Surgery Plastic Surgery



## **Additional Services**

#### **Record Management**

Today, all organizations that review, adjudicate, process or even litigate claims containing medical information struggle to control their own costs while providing superior services to their customers. Saponaro, Inc., utilizes a program for medical record sorting, organizing, indexing and adding navigational aids. We do so using an extremely time and cost efficient method that can accommodate hand-written notes.

This service can be used for large, complex case files, mass tort cases, or as an integrated component of medical record collecting and managing.

Benefits include:

- Efficiently organized medical records, providing clear fact visibility while allowing more time for management of claims, analysis and decision-making.
- Reduces costs (claims, allocated and administrative).
- Organization that captures and accurately identifies each medical document's type, the provider, date(s) of service and other customized data fields.
- Chronologically or Reverse-Chronologically sorts and categorizes medical records according to provider by date range. Client preferred customized sorting can be accommodated.
- Document indexing is included for ease of navigation.
- Duplicate medical records are deleted and duplicate records provided in a separate file.

• Handwritten notes and documents are transcribed with maximum care.

Please contact our office to obtain a free trial of any reasonably sized file, to obtain a fee schedule, and to discuss your specific records organization needs.

#### Literature Research

Why pay an Expert their hourly rate to conduct medical research? Saponaro, Inc. can meet your individual research needs through our custom research service. Manage rising litigation costs with our assistance. Have the information you need at your desktop, in a timely matter, with one phone call.

#### Film Duplication

X-Ray to X-Ray X-Ray to CD-Rom CD-Rom to X-Ray

Convenient Storage Eliminate Copy Costs Easy Viewing Licensed Radiological Technologist performs all duplicating services







### I can find an Expert on the Internet... why should I use Saponaro, Inc.?

Acquiring Experts from pay-to-search databases is ineffective, inefficient and time consuming. You should use Saponaro, Inc., because we are accountable for our Experts. We know the Expert's track record; we know the Expert's background; and we know that our Experts are willing to support their opinions. We take the "guesswork" out of obtaining an Expert.



Our turnaround time to refer an Expert can be same day service if you are under a "state of emergency," but we normally require 2 to 5 working days. Our turnaround time for a case review and written report is normally 5 to 6 weeks, but we offer rush verbal reports if you have time constraints.

### How does Saponaro, Inc., determine which Expert will have the experience and expertise to address my case?

A We will screen the facts of your case with potential Experts, and recommend the individual best suited to assist you. If for any reason, at any time, you are not satisfied with the referral, a replacement is made at no additional cost.

### How does Saponaro, Inc., save me time and money?

We take the workload off your desk and can meet the strictest of deadlines. Therefore, you can use your time and staff on preparations, etc., while we handle the evaluations for merit or screen your case with Experts.

