

APP NO.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

RYAN THORNTON,

Petitioner,

v.

ASCENSION ALL SAINTS HOSPITAL,

Dr. Tia D. Vernon, MD,
Dr. Nicholas A. Poponea, DO,
Dr. Johnathan Rathod, MD,
Dr. Diana L. Turner, MD,
Dr. John J. Byrne, MD

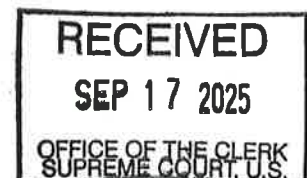
Respondents.

On Petition For Writ Of Certiorari to the
Wisconsin Supreme Court.

**PETITIONER'S APPLICATION TO EXTEND TIME
TO FILE PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI**

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To the **Honorable Annette Ziegler**, as Chief Justice for the Wisconsin Supreme Court OR any United States Justice able to grant this relief.

Pursuant to this Court's Rules 13.5, 22, 30.2, and 30.3, Petitioner RYAN THORNTON respectfully requests that the time to file his Petition for Writ of Certiorari in this matter be extended for 60 days up to and including **November 22, 2025**. Absent an extension of time, the Petition for Writ of Certiorari would be due on September 23, 2025. The Petitioner is filing this Application more than ten days before that date per Rule 13.5.

The Wisconsin Supreme Court denied RYAN THORNTON's 3/20/2025 Petition For Review (App26-43) on June 25, 2025 (App56). This Court would have jurisdiction over the judgment under 28 U.S.C. 1254(1).

RYAN THORNTON is seeking an extension of time in reference to the order dated June 25, 2025 by the Wisconsin Supreme Court in case No. 2023AP601 (App56).

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Statement of the Case

Plaintiff RYAN THORNTON, acting as [the Personal Representative of the Estate of Thomas Elmer Thornton, Adult Child of Thomas Thornton, Next of Kin of Thomas Thornton, and Hospital Power of Attorney of Thomas Thornton], brings a variety of allegations (most-critically being the non-treatment of infections) against the defendants, all arising from care Thomas Thornton received at Ascension All Saints Hospital on or about September 25, 2022, through November 1, 2022, where Thomas Thornton died on November 1, 2022.

The Hospital staff never mentioned anything about any-infections, except one-time when it was- way too-late to-be bringing-up this critical information to the POA, on 10/4/2022, 9 days (HR84-85) after receiving a WBC of 11,700/uL on 9/25/2022 at 8:22A. These named defendants and other hospital staff pretended to this Patient's POA to be clueless as-to what-was actually-happening except always claiming that these weird things such as his erratic jerking (actually from septic shock) was most certainly being caused by his bad-liver (encephalopathy), but in-reality they all knew what was really happening:

On 9/29/2022 Nurse Laura Grover's progress notes documented "Social History: Patient is divorced" (HR419) "Family understands that disease cannot be cured and will likely continue to worsen over time" (HR420-421). Instead of mentioning that his patient likely has an infection, Nurse Laura Grover gives these If-Then statements: "If patient's encephalopathy clears" "If patient's encephalopathy does not clear" to try to convince the POA that encephalopathy (not infection) is causing the patient's degrading condition.

On 9/30/2022 at 6:29A, the patient's WBC was recorded as 19,000/uL (HR427), which means that he as Sepsis, not a UTI anymore, and his physicians continue treating this with 1g Ceftriaxone per day, instead of 2g!

On 9/30/2022 at 9:22A, Dr. Tia Vernon sees this 19,000/uL WBC (HR49) and documents this as "Klebsiella UTI: WBC count trended up but this may be reactive, monitor" (HR51)

-This progress note should have stated that this UTI has developed into Sepsis" and therefore this patient probably needs 2g/day Ceftriaxone now!

On 9/30/2022 at 9:22A, Dr. Tia Vernon states "Attempted to educate son on his father's severity of illness." (HR52)

-Dr. Tia Vernon never mentioned any of these words to the POA: Infection, WBC, UTI, Klebsiella, Sepsis, Bacteria, Leukocytosis.

-Dr. Tia Vernon didn't attempt to educate Ryan Thornton about anything besides the fact that she (and this hospital) strongly-believed that the current condition of THOMAS THORNTON's self-abused liver was unsatisfactory for human life; She attempted to deceive by not informing this POA of the

patient's Sepsis Infection.

On 9/30/2022 at 2:41P, Dr. Tia Vernon orders a EEG "to evaluate jerky movement" (HR422), knows about this 19,000/uL WBC, but pretends to have no-idea that the patient has Sepsis!

On 9/30/2022 at 2:41P, Dr. Qiang Wang Performs an EEG, reviewed that this patient has a 19,000/uL WBC (HR427), then gives his Impression: "myoclonus like movement likely due to hepatic encephalopathy" (HR428)

Dr. Qiang Wang ignores the fact that this patient has Sepsis (WBC = 19K), and instead pretends this erratic movement is "likely due to hepatic encephalopathy"

The Hospital provided Inadequate IV fluid initially 9/25-9/30 (App7-8) & finally 10/26-10/30 (App12) aiding in death.

The patient's Blood Pressure on 11/1/2022 was 43 Over 16, but no Blood Pressure altering medications such-as Narcotic Analgesics such-as Morphine were documented in the Medical records provided.

All persons in WI should have equal protection from Medical Malpractice, and at-minimum the quality of a Patient's treatment must be above a certain threshold (and physicians should generally-be Pro-Active regarding a-patient's treatment-plan, unless Disclosure is made), which the Plaintiff strongly believes, was breached by these named Defendants.

On December 20, 2022, Plaintiff filed [Summons With Complaint] (App2-23).

On December 27, 2022, Plaintiff filed [Motion For Subpoena Of Hospital Records] (App24-25).

After an excessive struggle with this Probate Court in 2023PR55 [over Ryan Thornton (Estate Beneficiary, Adult Child, Next of Kin, and Thomas Thornton's Hospital POA) being able to pursue this Medical Malpractice claim where he had to battle his own probate lawyer (Attorney Todd Terry) and former Personal Representative (Jacqueline Young) in a court hearing on 4/10/2023 and file numerous motions/appeals to have both them removed for prohibiting RYAN from pursuing this lawsuit and also prohibiting RYAN from requesting hospital records], RYAN THORNTON was finally named the personal representative of the Estate of THOMAS THORNTON on November 30, 2023.

On 5/24/2024, Defendants send TT's Hospital Records related to medications administered (HR1120-1317), which were originally requested on 12/27/2022 (App24-25)

On March 20, 2025, Plaintiff filed [Petition For Review] (App26-43).

On April 4, 2025, Defendants filed [Response to Petition for Review] (App44-55).

On June 25, 2025, The WI Supreme Court Denied this filed [Petition For Review] (App56).

On August 19, 2025, Plaintiff Emailed a Demand for Thomas Thornton's Hospital Records pages 795+ and All Patient Financial Information (App57-58).

It was explained to the circuit court that:

1. RYAN THORNTON is not "practicing law." He is appearing in this court Pro Se only-to represent his own legal interest (this Medical Malpractice lawsuit that the Estate agreed to make RYAN owner of "All interest in any malpractice claim by the Estate"). Since 11/30/2023, the Estate of Thomas Thornton, solely consists of RYAN THORNTON. A full distribution has been completed to the only-other beneficiary and the former Personal Representative has been discharged from the estate. The only party who currently has any legal interest in the Estate of Thomas Thornton, is RYAN THORNTON.

2. The only legal resources available to this Plaintiff

[pay \$20,000 for seemingly Direction-Less and Attorney-State-Controlled Representation (David Lang refused to re-file the 22CV1244 S&C that this Plaintiff demanded David do on 10/4/2024) regarding re-filing this 22CV1244 Summons&Complaint that was already sufficiently plead, with a substantial risk on even recovering this \$20,000 expense that David Lang quoted to "file a new Summons&Complaint", the way that David Lang wants the S&C to be, which Ryan Thornton doesn't want.]

creates no provident recourse of action for this Patient's claim.

This complaint cannot be dismissed because there are conditions [Medical Malpractice, Negligence, etc. which have been sufficiently pled] under which this plaintiff can recover (just no attorneys are willing to legitimately pursue this case). The State attempts to bar this recovery by dismissing this case in its vaguely worded 2024CV457 [10/22/2024 ORDER FOR DISSMISSAL] , assumingly using case law (Ditech Fin., LLC v. Estate of Stacey) compelling an attorney be hired as a barrier for this recovery: “Ryan Thomas Thornton cannot represent the estate as advocate for that estate”.

Reasons For Granting An Extension Of Time

The time to file a Petition for a Writ of Certiorari should be extended for 60 days for the following reasons:

1. This claim was sufficiently pled, but the State of WI (Racine Circuit Court, Court of Appeals, the WI Supreme Court) all refuse to allow RYAN THORNTON Hospital Records pages 795+ and All Patient Financial Information (App57-58), which are necessary to evaluate this claim.
2. Making 43 booklets, in the pages required for this Writ Of Certiorari is a lot of work to create on a computer and appendix everything
 - a. Simply reformatting (to U.S. S.C. Booklet Format) what was already stated in Circuit Court, is very tedious.
 - b. It costs time and money to produce, ship, and file.
2. RYAN THORNTON has 2 other lawsuits (2024CV457 & 2024CV541) under WI Appeal and a probate case at Racine county circuit court in WI.

3. RYAN THORNTON has an open WI Office of Lawyer Regulation.

Conclusion

For the foregoing reasons, the Petitioner respectfully requests that the court:

1. That the time to file the [Petition for a Writ of Certiorari] in this matter be extended 60 days, up to and including November 22, 2025.

Respectfully submitted.

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You are hereby notified that the Court has entered the following order:

No. 2023AP601

Thornton v. Ascension All Saints Hospital, L.C. #2022CV1244

A petition for review pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 808.10 having been filed on behalf of plaintiff-appellant-petitioner, Ryan Thomas Thornton, pro se, and considered by this court;

IT IS ORDERED that the petition for review is denied, with \$50 costs.

Samuel A. Christensen
Clerk of Supreme Court

**Additional material
from this filing is
available in the
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