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Subject: **Conference Call of the Executive Committee of the MSSNY Council**

A telephone conference call of the Executive Committee of the Council was held on Thursday night, October 6, 2016 at 8:00 p.m.

The purpose of the call was to decide on whether MSSNY should participate in an Amicus in the case of Terehoff v. Frenkel.

Mr. Moy presented the information of the case in which it was alleged that since there is statistical association between prematurity and Autism, that the accepted standard of care is that the OB-GYN should have done more to extend the pregnancy in order to lessen the potential for Autism to develop.

The Amicus would be in support of the position not to allow the plaintiff's expert witness to provide testimony on the issue of the correlation between premature delivery and Autism.

After extensive discussion, the Committee voted to support an Amicus. It asked Mr. Moy to see whether the AMA Litigation Center would be interested in joining as well.

There being no further business before the group, the call ended at 9:00 p.m.