

February 9, 2015

SC Governor Nikki Haley

800 Richland St.

Columbia, SC 29201

RE: Disability Appeal for Michelle Silver

Dear Madam SC Governor Nikki Haley,

I apologize for my persistence, but I'm writing to let you know I have had another decompression. The new medicine they put me on (Fetzima), caused very bad reactions for me. I have been taken off that medicine, and put back on Zoloft (100 mg). My Seroquel has been increased from 50 mg to 150 mg in the mornings; and from 150 mg to 200 mg in the evening. I was seen on an emergency visit at Serenity on Friday, January 30th. I have requested those records be faxed to the Appeals Court.

I was in a constant anxious state, crying and shaking uncontrollably. I had been unable to sleep or eat for about a week; I was having hallucinations (seeing and hearing things) and panic attacks. I had at least two instances of black outs or seizures, not sure which. I was very close to wanting to hurt myself to make it all stop. I spent time with my nurse, my doctor and my counselor. They were processing me for admission into their psych ward, when I began panicking over that. I had no one to call to take care of my dog. I was told I could not have my phone and could not smoke. I begged them to let me go, and after medicine and a "cool down period," they agreed. I could leave if I went straight home to bed, with the promise that I would call 911 if things did not improve. I did as I was told and did not wake up until late Sunday evening.

I decided to do some research on some of my conditions, as an attempt to "self help" if you will. I used Webster's dictionary as my resource. What I found seems to be the exact definition of what is expected from a person who is disabled, as laid out in the Judge's specific words; to satisfy Paragraph B criteria. I have actual cut and paste information for these definitions. I have proof of confirmed diagnoses of these conditions. There should be no doubt that I satisfy the criteria, having it spelled out exactly as were the requirements. Please add them to my file and use them to assist in having my case approved.

Earnestly and Sincerely,



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Definition of *DEPRESSION*

: a mood disorder marked especially by sadness, inactivity, difficulty with thinking and concentration, a significant increase or decrease in appetite and time spent sleeping, feelings of dejection and hopelessness, and sometimes suicidal thoughts or an attempt to commit suicide "Depression." Merriam-Webster.com. Merriam-Webster, n.d. Web. 3 Feb. 2015. <<http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/Depression>>.

Definition of *ANXIETY*

: an abnormal and overwhelming sense of apprehension and fear often marked by physiological signs (as sweating, tension, and increased pulse), by doubt concerning the reality and nature of the threat, and by self-doubt about one's capacity to cope with it "Anxiety." Merriam-Webster.com. Merriam-Webster, n.d. Web. 3 Feb. 2015. <<http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/Anxiety>>.

Definition of *MAJOR DEPRESSIVE DISORDER*

: a mood disorder having a clinical course involving one or more episodes of serious psychological depression that last two or more weeks each, do not have intervening episodes of mania or hypomania, and are characterized by a loss of interest or pleasure in almost all activities and by some or all of disturbances of appetite, sleep, or psychomotor functioning, a decrease in energy, difficulties in thinking or making decisions, loss of self-esteem or feelings of guilt, and suicidal thoughts or attempts. "Major Depressive Disorder." Merriam-Webster.com. Merriam-Webster, n.d. Web. 3 Feb. 2015. <[http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/major depressive disorder](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/major%20depressive%20disorder)>.

Definition of *GENERALIZED ANXIETY DISORDER*

: an anxiety disorder marked by chronic excessive anxiety and worry that is difficult to control, causes distress or impairment in daily functioning, and is accompanied by three or more associated symptoms (as restlessness, irritability, poor concentration, and sleep disturbances) "Generalized Anxiety Disorder." Merriam-Webster.com. Merriam-Webster, n.d. Web. 3 Feb. 2015. <[http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/Generalized Anxiety Disorder](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/Generalized%20Anxiety%20Disorder)>.

Definition of *POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER*

: a psychological reaction that occurs after experiencing a highly stressing event outside the range of normal human experience and that is usually characterized by depression, anxiety, flashbacks, recurrent nightmares, and avoidance of reminders of the event—abbreviation *PTSD* "Post traumatic Stress Disorder." Merriam-Webster.com. Merriam-Webster, n.d. Web. 3 Feb. 2015. <[http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/Post traumatic Stress Disorder](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/Post%20traumatic%20Stress%20Disorder)>.