

Milton Sussman
Deputy Minister, Health
Room 327 Legislative Building
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October 1, 2010

Dear Mr. Sussman,

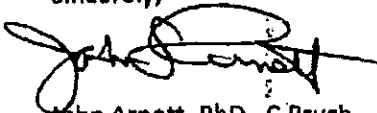
We wanted to update you on the status of discussions between PAM and MASP as requested.

As you will recall, in June 2010, you allowed PAM and MASP to enter into renewed discussions regarding the profession specific regulation that will govern school psychologists on the issues of title, scope of practice and requirements for independent practice. With respect to the appointment of a facilitator/mediator, you asked that PAM and MASP jointly engage the individual as a demonstration of a shared commitment to establish a collaborative foundation for our discussions.

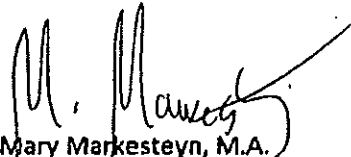
On September 1st, 2010, the President and Registrar of PAM met with the President and Vice-president of MASP to establish a collegial rapport. Since that initial meeting, we have communicated in writing, via phone calls, and through emails to discuss the process of selecting a facilitator/mediator. At this point in time, each organization has proposed two names for consideration and we are sharing the task of contacting the potential facilitators/mediators. Once we have gathered and shared the information, we intend to select an individual that is acceptable to both PAM and MASP and then proceed with establishing a process for discussions.

With the arrival of the October 1st deadline you established, we hope that you will regard our progress as significant and allow us to continue with the process we have initiated. We would be happy to provide you with ongoing updates as required to keep you informed of our progress.

Sincerely,



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