

Comment #924

From: JanetSttz
Sent: Thursday, March 25, 2004 10:48 AM
To: CONTACTLENSRULE
Subject: Prescription Rights

To Whom It May Concern:

As the mother of three who need prescription eyewear and a wearer myself, I am writing to urge you to keep the selection of eyewear firmly in the control of the consumer as opposed to the medical profession. I grew up in the day when the eyecare profession refused to allow the patient a copy of their prescription. This limited my ability to select the best glasses for my needs without significant additional cost that my family could not support. In addition I needed to coordinate my eye needs between a college town and a home town, as do my children. Having easy access to contacts is a must so that patients do not have to wait to resolve emergency needs and also so that we can comparison shop wisely and conveniently. I would also like to state that I consider it my right to "own" my personal prescription, considering the small possibility for abuse.

In addition I am a stock investor and I consider the freedom of consumer preferences to be very important in the success of the United States economy.

Sincerely,

Janet Dwyer Stutzman

NY