

Florida Department of Law Enforcement **Medical Examiners Commission** 

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Guy M. Tunnell Commissioner

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Ms. Francine Yurko PO Box 585965 Orlando, FL 32858-5965

Dear Ms. Yurko:

This letter is to inform you that at its April 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, the Medical Examiners Commission took final action on the disciplinary proceedings against Dr. Shashi Gore. He was placed on a period of probation until his appointment ends as District 9 Medical Examiner on June 30, 2004. Included in his terms of probation was the prohibition from performing any medical examiner autopsies. Also at the meeting the clarification was made that twelve (12) of twenty-five (25) of the complaints were sustained by the Probable Cause Panel.

Additionally, staff has reviewed your correspondence from March 29, 2004, in which you have cited certain Florida Statutes dealing with criminal activity. The Medical Examiners Commission is not the appropriate authority to investigate alleged criminal activity. The Commission does, however, have certain disciplinary oversight should a medical examiner be convicted of a crime.

Sincerely,

Guy M. Tunnell Commissioner

Victoria G. Marsey, Bureau Chief Bureau of Standards

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