

Office of the Attorney Advisor

Re: Meriter Hospital, PRRB Decision No. 2003-D20 (03/19/03)

I recommend that the Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration, decline to

review the decision entered by the Provider Reimbursement Review Board in this case.

/s/

Jacqueline R. Vaughn Attorney Advisor

APPROVED:

Date: 5/12/03

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