Statement of Amy Powell

On August 20, 2013, I had a medical appointment with Dr. George Tyndall in the OBGYN Department at the University of Southern California Engemann Student Health Center. Dr. Tyndall instructed me to come into his office for my appointment. When I sat down, Dr. Tyndall asked me what I was studying. I answered his question about my studies. Dr. Tyndall then replied, “Men don’t like women who are smarter than them. They don’t like a woman who has more education.”

A female nurse appeared with what seemed to be medical charts in the doorway. The nurse gave me a wide eyed look, and I returned this look with my own wide eyed stare.

Dr. Tyndall then gave explicit details regarding sexual intercourse and his belief in male preference to be in control, on top. Then, Dr. Tyndall stated, “What you don’t seem to understand is that men need to be able to do whatever they need to do and you need to allow them. You are just along for the ride. They are in control. Remember that. Women from the Philippines know how to submit. I go there often.” During this segment of his dialogue, Dr. Tyndall pointed at pictures of women that appeared to be of Filipino descent that were hanging on the wall to the right hand side of his office.

I was concerned about a possible life threatening medication interaction and asked Dr. Tyndall the specific questions I had already outlined in my mind for this consultation. He answered my questions and this doctor patient interaction was concluded.

While I was walking to the appointment desk to retrieve a printout, I came across Dr. Tyndall’s nurse, again. I made a comment to her about his conduct, and she replied, “I’ve heard that before. You’re not the only one.”

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