

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Food and Drug Administration
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Current Good Manufacturing Practice in Manufacturing, Packing, or
Holding Dietary Supplements

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to the Dockets Management Branch
(HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 12420 Parklawn Dr., rm. 1-23,
Rockville, MD 20857.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert J. Moore, Center for Food
Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-456), Food and Drug Administration,
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PLEASE DO NOT LEGISLATE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE OUT OF BUSINESS OR OUT OF
OUR FREEDOM TO CHOOSE DIETARY AND VITAMIN AND OTHER HEALTH SUPPLEMENTS.

WHAT NEEDS TO BE REGULATED ARE THE 'CLAIMS' OF INCOMPETENT AND
MERCENARY COMPANIES AND PSEUDOPROFESSIONALS WHO MAKE MEDICAL CLAIMS
WITHOUT SUFFICIENT KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERTISE

NOT THE HERBS THEMSELVES.

THE HERBS SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO BE SOLD IN PRE-PACKAGED OR
CONCENTRATED FORM BY THESE COMPANIES. THEY SHOULD ONLY BE ALLOWED TO BE
SOLD AS LOOSE HERBS - IT IS VERY DIFFICULT TO HARM ONESELF WHEN ONE HAS TO
PUT SOME WORK AND EFFORT INTO IT. THOSE IRRESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS WHO
'OVERDOSE' OR LOOK TO A EUPHORIC EFFECT WILL NOT BE SO LIKELY TO DO SO IF THEY
HAVE TO WORK AT IT.

I HAVE WORKED FOR YEARS AS AN ADDICTIONS COUNSELOR, AND I KNOW WHAT
I'M TALKING ABOUT.

PLEASE DO NOT REGULATE AND LEGISLATE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ANYMORE
THAN IS NECESSARY! AND REMEMBER, PEOPLE DO HAVE THE RIGHT TO HARM
THEMSELVES - THIS IS A FACT OF LIFE WHICH CANNOT BE LEGISLATED AWAY IN THE
NAME OF 'PROTECTION'. PLEASE DO NOT BRING US ANY CLOSER TO FACISM THAN WE
ALREADY ARE.


MARCY S. FREEMAN
PRESIDENT
GREEN LOTUS AROMATHERAPY COMPANY, LTD.

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Dr. David Kessler
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Dear Commissioner Kessler:

Re: Christopher Grell
ID#: IN FURTHER REGARDS

I am contacting you on behalf of my constituent, Christopher Grell, who is requesting assistance.

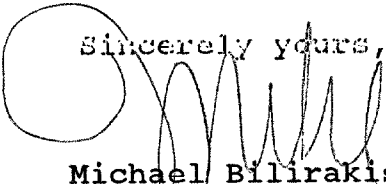
In compliance with this request, the attached communication is submitted for your consideration; and to ask that the request made therein be granted, if possible.

Please advise me of your action in this matter and have the letter returned to me at my Land O' Lakes office along with your reply. If you require additional information, please contact Shirley Miaoulis of my staff at (813) 996-7441.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,


Michael Bilirakis
Member of Congress

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Enclosure

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