

## Petition Seeks FDA Approval To Speak The Truth

Based on overwhelming documentation that greater consumption of omega-3 fatty acids reduce cardiovascular disease risk, Life Extension Buyers Club and Wellness Lifestyles, Inc. filed a health claim petition with the FDA. The petition urges the FDA to reconsider the currently permitted health claim for omega-3 fatty acids and coronary heart disease risk. The FDA's position is that the scientific evidence regarding omega-3 consumption and heart disease is "not conclusive". The petitioners argue that there is sufficient published evidence to allow the following new claim:

**"Consumption of omega-3 fatty acids may  
reduce the risk of coronary heart disease."**

To substantiate this position, attorney Jonathon Emord filed a massive document that enumerates the scientific studies backing the benefits of omega-3 fatty acids, argues the First Amendment right to disseminate this information, and calculates how many American lives are being lost because the FDA has denied this claim. Review this enormous petition filed on June 23, 2003.

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