

From: [Carole Brunsting](#)
To: [Candace Curtis](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Tuesday, October 26, 2010 10:12:29 AM

Oh Candy thank you!!! I feel that I have been fighting this battle with Anita and now Amy alone. Anita is going to be the one responsible for keeping Mother sick because she is such a control freak and will not LET IT GO!! Let Mother decide what she wants to do. It is Mother's money, not ANITA's and not AMY's.

--- On **Tue, 10/26/10, Candace Curtis <occurtis@sbcglobal.net>** wrote:

From: Candace Curtis <occurtis@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Re:
To: "Carole Brunsting" <cbrunsting@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Tuesday, October 26, 2010, 12:05 PM

I just called Mother. She DID NOT know the full implications of what she signed. I told her Anita had been manipulating her since Daddy passed away. She said she should have been included on the call. She said that she would not have given Anita the authority to manage MY MONEY. I told her that Amy and Anita are conspiring with Candace to have her declared incompetent so they can take CONTROL.

I don't really know what will happen now. I think that the August document should be declared null and void.

After talking to her for at least 30 minutes I realized that she is NOT incompetent. It's her memory that is failing, not her ability to manager her affairs. This happens when people get old. She might not remember to pay a bill, but she knows that bills must be paid. She doesn't remember that I know Carl had encephalitis, but she knows Carl had encephalitis. She has the ability to UNDERSTAND something when it's explained to her, although she might not remember what it is that she understood at the time.

Please change the password on Mother's bank account. Please also tell Mother that Anita checks her bank account to see what she is doing and that she also reads her private emails.

Mother did say that Anita drives her crazy.

Love you,

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From: Carole Brunsting <cbrunsting@sbcglobal.net>
To: Candace Curtis <occurtis@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tue, October 26, 2010 9:34:02 AM
Subject: Re:

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I am glad you wrote because I could not sleep last night either and it is difficult to keep my mind on my work. I went over and over all the events of what has happened since Daddy passed away and Anita has been scheming and manipulating with Mother and even tried to get Carl involved. Candace has not been looking out for Mother's best interest. Candace has been allowing Anita to be the one to strong arm Mother into signing papers when I do not believe she understood what she was signing, she only wanted to shut Anita up.

All Anita was suppose to do or find out was placing Carl's money in medical trust for MOTHER to manage and now all of a sudden Amy is co-trustee and your money is in trust and I wonder about mine as well.

I am working on a time line of how and when all this happened and will show that they pressured Mother to make changes when she A) was accepting the fact that Carl was gravely ill B) she found out she had cancer C) she got pneumonia and was in the hospital D) had Drina breathing down her back because ANITA was to chicken to call Drina back E) had to decide on her own about giving Drina money because ANITA and AMY were to busy to be bothered to call me or Mother back and it is what Mother wanted to do but she knew Anita was going to chastise her for giving her money that was her own to give away as she saw fit. F) also during that time Mother had 2 PET scans, a CT scan and a bron scope for which she was sedated.

Now I understand why Mother kept putting off signing the changes to the Trust. I thought the papers were written only to put Carl's money in trust. I did not know that Amy was replacing Carl and your money was going into trust. I never saw the documents as Candace had them at her office, but Mother kept delaying going over there with various excuses. She was afraid to tell Anita she did not want to make all the changes, but Anita talked her into it.

The closer Anita comes to taking control the comments to me have been: A) it is a good thing I am trustee now and not Carl because you can make more changes to the trust than you realize and Carl would have been making all the decision and had final say over distribution B) she was going to find a way to fold Carl's money back into the trust if Carl died before Drina C) she was taking over all investment when ANITA is the one that moved the money over to this Edwards office that Mother works with and attended all the meetings D) Anita wanted to find out if she could sell the farm as one unit because she said she could get more per acre rather than us each sell our parcels when we wanted too. E) Now I find out that ANITA contacted Carl about a year ago about putting both our money in trust that she and Carl would control and Carl said no.

Candy I am so deeply hurt by all of this and disgusted at the same time. I am so angry with Candace because she allowed all this to happen and it impacts Mother. Amy will just go along with Anita now that her name is on the trust. But if she only knew that ANITA called CPS and they went out and spoke with Amy's neighbors about her kids and spied on her house for a report back to Anita and the report was they did not find any reason to take Jack and Ann. Anita wanted Carl and Drina to adopt them.

I think at this point I need to find an attorney to speak with. Now that Anita sent out

the trust documents even though she should not have, Drina will hire a lawyer and this will never see the of day. And she will have Carl's full support.

--- On Tue, 10/26/10, Candace Curtis <occurtis@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

From: Candace Curtis <occurtis@sbcglobal.net>
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To: "Carole Brunsting" <cbrunsting@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Tuesday, October 26, 2010, 11:07 AM

Carole,

I promised myself when I hung up from the call that I was through with all of this. I broke my promise all night last night and didn't get a wink of sleep. I cannot let it go. Anita has been manipulating Mother since Daddy passed away. Rather than say "Candy, you are NO LONGER entitled to know anything about any of it" she has been lying and saying she had no idea what was going on. The fact that she has been talking to Candace and pushing for Mother to resign as trustee is truly sick. Now that she and Amy are dead set on having Mother declared incompetent I DON'T WANT THEM TO HAVE CONTROL OF MY SHARE OF THE TRUST. But they do, thanks to Candace, who does not know me from Adam. I don't think Mother realized what she was signing in August. She is not a stupid woman and would certainly understand the intent of the document if anyone explained it to her. THEY DID NOT. If they did explain it to her until she understood, I think she would have had second thoughts.

How dare Candace tell you that if you don't participate in the call you will not have any say in it. YOU DON'T HAVE ANY SAY IN IT ANYWAY. At least Mother and Anita think you're smart enough to be your own trustee.

When Amy and Anita were griping about Edward Jones and I suggested that they write a letter for Mother to sign, Amy ONLY thought that was a good idea. Anita said nothing. SHE WANTS TO GET HER HANDS ON THE MONEY SO SHE CAN DO A BETTER JOB OF INVESTING.

Bottom line. I'm truly scared about my future security and the fact that I have no control whatsoever over my destiny. If that's what Mother intended I would really have liked to hear it from her. I would also like to know what I did that made her feel it was necessary to take such drastic measures without consulting me.

I cannot sleep, I cannot keep my mind on my work, and I cannot get these thoughts out of my head.

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To: Candace Curtis <occurtis@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Mon, October 25, 2010 9:17:05 PM

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Subject: Re:

Based on the comments that Anita has been making to me for the past 4 months, I am concerned too, that she wants to see how much control she has.

--- On **Mon, 10/25/10, Candace Curtis** <occurtis@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

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Subject:

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Date: Monday, October 25, 2010, 6:01 PM

Now the truth comes out. None of us is entitled to copies of the trust documents, since Mother is the only beneficiary. Amy and Anita are trying to take over and will probably do anything and everything they can to cut the rest of us out. I was already depressed today. I'm over the edge now.

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From: [Carole Brunsting](#)
To: [Candace Curtis](#)
Subject: Re: One more
Date: Thursday, October 28, 2010 8:59:51 AM

Candy,

The more I think about this the whole key is Carl. When I was listening to Mother's call with Candace, Mother told Candace that Carl was trustee, not Anita and was not following the changes Candane was telling her she had made to have Carl removed.. Legally, I wonder if what Candace did was right without consulting Carl or his power of attorney since Carl has always been present at all meetings.

--- On **Thu, 10/28/10, Candace Curtis <occurtis@sbcglobal.net>** wrote:

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To: "Carole Brunsting" <cbrunsting@sbcglobal.net>
Date: Thursday, October 28, 2010, 10:34 AM

Candace DOES know she fucked up. That's why she had such a nasty attitude towards both you and I. Anita is smug and Amy plays dumb.

I hope Carl goes home today! If he does I hope the sun is shining. 10 minutes smiling into the sunshine + coffee + the Beatles = a sharper, happy Carl. I have a strong feeling that he will recover in leaps and bounds ALL ON HIS OWN, with support from his wife and family. The fact that Daddy is looking over us gives me strength. I can feel him stronger than ever before.

My suggestion is that when Dr. White finds Mother competent the following should happen:

1. You need to complete your time-line to demonstrate that due to various factors (badgering, low oxygen, Carl's illness, her illness, pneumonia, general stress and worry due to all of this), Mother was incompetent and under extreme duress when she signed everything she signed, particularly the Power of Attorney. We can compose a letter to Candace for Mother to sign, demanding that she wants to have papers drawn up to revoke anything she agreed to between the first of July and now.
2. As Mother gathers strength over the next few weeks she will go to her MD Anderson appointments, etc. and move towards treatment and recovery. I want to stress nutrition, adequate good sleep, and stress-free living.
3. In the meantime she can sell what she needs to, to pay for Robert or Tino or whoever Drina needs to assist her with Carl (if she even needs someone - Carl may recover a lot in a few weeks at home). The cost will be minimal compared to the \$100k shithead got to buy her house.

Going forward, Mother will have to tell Candace IN WRITING what she wants done with the trust. You can help her compose the letters. There can be no question when it's in writing. You can assist Mother in reviewing the paperwork before she signs (at

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home - at her leisure), to make sure all her wishes have been incorporated. This should never be done under the pressure and duress she was subjected to. Mother can take as much time as she needs to read and understand that everything will be as she wants it to be.

The fair and equitable solution in my mind is:

Make all five of us successor co-trustees and require a majority to make any change whatsoever. Then, if Mother steps down there will be no shenanigans. Everything will be transparent and we'll all know everything everyone else knows. That way when Anita wants to sell the farm, or move away from Edward Jones, she can put it up for a vote among us. All five of us are intelligent people and none of us can honestly say we have NEVER made a wrong choice in our lives. This way Mother will be at peace to live out her life, and she will die knowing that she has not pitted one against the other, or given control of one over the other, or played favorites, or been bullied into doing something she didn't really want to do, or would not have done in the first place.

Now this may go AGAINST the norm, or what Candace and her ilk would recommend, but fuck them. They are attorneys who get paid to do what their clients want them to do and they love having to draw up documents. Fees, fees, fees, \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$

If Anita succeeds in her agenda and becomes trustee, we should have her competency tested just to show her what it feels like. If everything stays the way it is right now, that's the first thing I'm going to do when the day comes that she's in charge of me. Na, Na, Na, Na, Na, Na.

Love you,

C

From: Carole Brunsting <cbrunsting@sbcglobal.net>
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Sent: Wed, October 27, 2010 9:32:06 PM
Subject: One more

And do not overlook an exploration of the family's motives in requesting a competency evaluation, she cautioned. Do family members have reason for wanting their oddly behaving relative to be declared incompetent?

This is from an article about not rushing to declare an elderly person incompetent. Mother passes the smell test and I have to make sure Tino does not let her out of the house without her clothes being ironed and SEE!!! MOTHER MADE THE APPOINTMENT TO GET HER HAIR DONE!!! CANDY THAT IS IT!!! MOTHER DOES CARE ABOUT HER APPEARANCE!! She will not go out without her makeup on and I have to get her a nail file all the time. Mother also called Edward Jones on her own and sold \$10K so she would have enough money to live on.

She was temporarily incompetent when she was too low on oxygen and if they made her walk to Candace's office I know for a fact her levels were too low because Dr.

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White joked about it. Tino did not take her so she had to walk from the parking lot to the office. She did not understand what she was signing because she was too short of breath and I can prove that. Candane has to know she F***ed up.

--- On Wed, 10/27/10, Carole Brunsting <cbrunsting@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

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Subject: Found this
To: occurtis@sbcglobal.net
Date: Wednesday, October 27, 2010, 10:38 PM

There are any number of situations that may cause you to question the competency of a family member to make sound life decisions, such as when:

- An elderly person suddenly changes a will or trust in a manner that is significantly different from all previous wills or trusts, which could result in will litigation if not appropriately handled during the elder's life.
- A family member has suspicion that the elderly person is being unduly influenced by others

Anita is unduly influencing Mother and now Amy has piled on. Mother never would have made these changes on her own. This was all done by the hand of Anita who put herself in charge of everything.