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Subject: Re: One more

The sad thing is no one is fighting over their inheritance. This all came about because Anita wanted to take over the investments so maybe there would be \$1000 more to divide and to be able to tell Drina and Carl they could not have their own money. This is not about you, me or Carl. This is about Anita and her sick desire to control it all.

All I wanted was for Mother to have peace and anything she wanted without Anita fuming over every check she writes. I don't want to have Amy and Anita telling me what I should and should not be doing in caring for Mother. The must carry tremendous guilt or have extremely low self esteem to be heartless. And neither shows any compassion for Carl and his situation.

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

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Candace and that firm are already in big trouble. For them to take Anita's word over the truth, or incorporate changes Anita said to make, is MALPRACTICE. For Candace to notarize Mother's signature is also inappropriate. The problem is, since neither you nor I have a comprehensive copy of the trust and amendments, we don't know what the truth of the matter is. If we all get to be trustees then we'll all have copies of everything, including the statements from Edward Jones, etc. At this point who is successor trustee? Do we know? I really want to avoid litigation. We just need to scare Anita somehow. She's

much too smug.

I was talking to Owen about it this morning and he actually brought up the \$100k to Anita. He was there when Daddy announced it. He can't believe Anita is doing this.

Rik said that if we are all made co-trustees we should put something in there to the effect that if any of us starts a lawsuit against another or about the trust, they inherit \$1 and the remainder gets divided among the others. PERIOD.

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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 Candace 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.

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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 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,

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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. 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.

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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.