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October 26, 2021

Honorable Timothy Canning
Humboldt County Superior Court
825 Fifth Street
Eureka, California 95501

Re: Conserv. of Barbara Keller (PR2100162)

Dear Judge Canning:

The evidentiary hearing on who would become the conservator of the persons and estates of Ronald Keller and Barbara Keller took place on September 30, 2021.

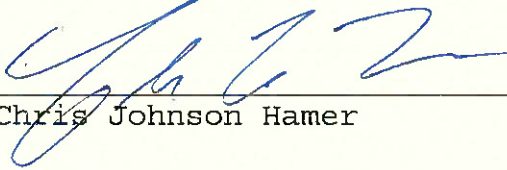
As he testified at the evidentiary hearing, petitioner Royce Mendonca has been paying for the Kellers' care at a memory care unit near Sacramento with his own money, which is a considerable hardship. If he is appointed conservator, he will have access to the Kellers' funds in order to use these funds rather than his own to pay for their care.

For this reason, if this matter could receive your attention at your earliest convenience, it would be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

STOKES, HAMER, KIRK & EADS, LLP

By:


Chris Johnson Hamer

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cc: Sharon Wolff by email to:
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Actually, Roland Royce Mendonca, Jr. testified under oath that he is not financially responsible for the unauthorized placement - that is why he did not sign the line on the agreement for who is responsible for the bill...

Continue reading for the response...

October 27, 2021

Honorable Timothy Canning
Humboldt County Superior Court
825 Fifth Street
Eureka, CA 95501

Re: Conservatorship of Barbara Keller (PR2100162)

Dear Judge Canning:

Yesterday, I received a (unfiled) copy of a letter written to yourself and Notice of Unavailability submitted by Attorney Chris Johnson Hamer ("HAMER"), representing Royce and Diane Mendonca.

The letter urges you to give control of the Keller estate to Royce Mendonca ("ROYCE") due to the financial strain of his unauthorized placement of the Keller's into the locked memory care unit of The Pines, A Merrill Gardens Community. This is an obvious attempt to utilize the unauthorized placement, the altered Judicial Council GC-335 documents and the "Nomination" documents signed by an Alzheimer's patient in direct opposition to their documented intent and behaviors in order to pressure this court to ignore the court investigation report recommendations. ROYCE and Attorney HAMER affirmatively chose to place the Keller's into The Pines, A Merrill Gardens Community despite not having any authority to encumber the Keller estate. They cannot now use that unauthorized placement as leverage to pressure the court to ignore the record and recommendations, as they have requested.

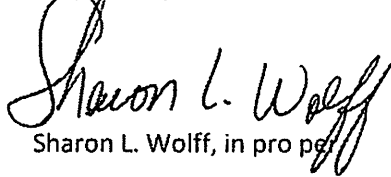
The accompanying Notice of Unavailability is a brazen attempt to further pressure the court. HAMER cited *Tenderloin Housing Clinic v. Sparks (1992) 8 Cal.App.4th 299* as the controlling authority despite clear precedent established in cases such as *Carl v. Coast Community College District et al., Real Parties in Interest*. The 4th District Court of Appeals addressed the "common practice" of filing a "notice of unavailability" under the "guise of *Tenderloin Housing Clinic, Inc. v. Sparks (1992) 8 Cal.App.4th 299, 10 Cal.Rptr.2d 371.*" The court ruled "To the extent this practice attempts to put control of the court's calendar in the hands of counsel-as opposed to the judiciary-it is an impermissible infringement of the court's inherent powers" and "petitioner cannot on his own enjoin the superior court from issuing orders..." Further, "In short, a "notice of unavailability" is not a fileable document under the Rules of Court and will be returned to counsel" [Emphasis added]

I respectfully request this court ignore the letter and Notice of Unavailability submitted by Attorney HAMER.

All parties urge a speedy resolution to the conservatorship applications for Barbara and Ronald Keller who remain placed at The Pines, A Merrill Gardens Community, without legal authority or the required documentation such as an actual care and needs assessment completed by their medical provider to ensure they are receiving the appropriate level of care.

The legal quagmire created by ROYCE and Attorney HAMER with the unauthorized placements has made a very difficult situation infinitely worse. Their actions in creating an unauthorized placement, having Alzheimer's patients sign legal documents and submitting altered Judicial Council forms should not be ignored by this Court.

Respectfully,


Sharon L. Wolff, in pro per

Cc: Chris Johnson Hamer by email to: chris@shkklaw.com

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