Anthony O'Connell Out as Executor

Anthony O'Connell out as executor of Jean O'Connell's Will

Will of Jean M. O'Connell 1974.04.11

Executor is Harold A. O'Connell, substitute executor is Anthony M. O'Connell, Trustee is Anthony M. O'Connell. Prepared by Ed Prichard.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

OF

JEAN M. O'CONNELL

I, JEAN M. O'CONNELL, of Fairfax County, Virginia, do make, publish and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all wills and codicils by me at any time heretofore made.

FIRST: I direct my Executor, as soon as practicable after my death, to pay out of the assets of my estate my enforce-able debts, in accordance with their terms, the expenses of my last illness and funeral, without regard to any statutory limits on such expenses and the cost of administration of my estate.

SECOND: I give and bequeath all my tangible personal property which is not used exclusively in my business, and all policies of insurance relating to such property, to my husband, HAROLD A. O'CONNELL, if he survives me and lives for sixty (60) days after my death, but if he does not so survive me, then I give and bequeath all of the aforesaid property to such of my children, presently, JEAN MARY O'CONNELL NADER, SHEILA ANN O'CONNELL TIERNEY and ANTHONY MINER O'CONNELL, who shall survive me, in equal shares. The judgment of the Executor in making the allocation shall be final and conclusive.

THIRD: Any interest that I may have in any joint bank accounts and joint savings and loan accounts and any stocks and bonds jointly in my name and that of my husband are hereby declared to be the sole property of my husband and my Executor shall make no claim against him on account thereof.

FOURTH: If my husband, HAROLD A. O'CONNELL, shall survive me and live for sixty (60) days after my death, I give, devise and

me and live for sixty (60)

bequeath to him an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the value of my adjusted gross estate as finally determined for federal estate tax purposes, undiminished by estate or other death taxes, either state or federal, less the aggregate value of all interests in property, if any, which pass to my husband under any other provisions of this Will or which have already passed to him or for his benefit otherwise than under this Will, by operation of law, through life insurance policies, or otherwise, but only to the extent that such interests are included in determining my gross taxable estate and are allowable as a marital deduction for federal estate tax purposes. Such amount shall be called the "Marital Share". In making the computations necessary to determine the amount of the Marital Share, the final determinations for federal estate tax purposes shall control. My Executor shall have full power and the sole discretion to satisfy this devise and bequest wholly or partly in cash or in kind, and to select and designate, and to convey and assign to my husband the assets, including real estate and interests therein, owned by me at the time of my death, which will be transferred as the Marital Share; provided, however, that all assets so transferred as the Marital Share to my husband shall be valued at the value thereof as finally determined for federal estate tax purposes; and provided, further, that my Executor, in order to implement this devise and bequest, shall distribute as the Marital Share to my husband, assets having an aggregate fair market value at the date or dates of distribution amounting to no less than the amount of this devise and bequest as finally determined for federal estate tax purposes; and provided, further, that there shall not be conveyed as a part of the Marital Share to my husband any policy of insurance on the life of my husband, or any asset, or the proceeds of any assets, which will not qualify for the marital deduction. This devise and bequest shall abate to the extent that it cannot be satisfied in the manner

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hereinabove provided. The exercise of the foregoing power and discretion by my Executor shall not be subject to question by or on behalf of any beneficiary.

FIFTH: All the rest, residue and remainder of my property, real and personal, tangible and intangible, wheresoever situate and howsoever held, including any property over which I have a power of appointment under any instrument, (including, in the event that my husband shall not survive me and live for sixty (60) days after my death, that portion of my estate which otherwise would comprise the Marital Share), herein referred to as my Residuary Estate, shall be disposed of as follows:

A. In the event that my husband, HAROLD A. O'CONNELL, shall survive me and live for sixty (60) days after my death, I give, devise and bequeath my Residuary Estate to my Trustee, hereinafter named, in trust, herein referred to as my Residuary Trust, to be held, administered and disposed of by my Trustee as follows:

1. So long as my husband, HAROLD A. O'CONNELL, shall live, my Trustee shall pay to him or expend for his benefit, in convenient installments, all the net income arising from my Residuary Trust from and after the date of my death. In addition to such income payments, so long as my husband shall live, my Trustee is authorized to pay to my husband or expend for his benefit, from time to time so much of the principal of my Residuary Trust as my Trustee, in the sole discretion of my Trustee, shall deem necessary for his support and maintenance; provided, however, that none of the principal of the Residuary Trust shall be so paid or expended for the benefit of my husband so long as income or assets are readily available to him from any other source. In determining whether income or assets are so available to my husband, my Trustee may rely, and shall be fully protected in relying, upon the affidavit of my husband or any other person whom the Trustee believes to be conversant with the circumstances.



- (b) I appoint my said husband, HAROLD A. O'CONNELL, to serve as sole Executor hereof. In the event that my said husband fails to become or ceases to be Executor hereof for any reason, I appoint ANTHONY M. O'CONNELL , as the substitute Executor hereof.
- (c) I nominate and appoint as Trustee of any trust herein created ANTHONY M. O'CONNELL.
- (d) So far as I may lawfully do so, I direct that no bond or other security shall be required of any Executor or Trustee serving hereunder for the faithful performance of duties in any jurisdiction.
- (e) Except for willful default or gross negligence, my Executor and my Trustee shall not be liable for any act, omission, loss, damage or expense arising from the performance of duties under this Will, including the act, omission, loss, damage or expense caused by any agent appointed by my Executor or by my Trustee.

TWELFTH: It is my intention that this Will take full advantage of the maximum marital deduction under federal estate tax laws; therefore, all provisions of this Will shall be construed, and all powers of my Executor shall be construed and exercised, accordingly.

THIRTEENTH: The use of any gender herein shall be deemed to be or include the other genders and the use of the singular herein shall be deemed to be or include the plural (and vice versa), wherever appropriate.

FOURTEENTH: All references to this Will in the Articles hereof shall be deemed to mean this instrument as modified by any and all valid codicils hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, JEAN M. O'CONNELL, herewith set my hand to this, my last Will, typewritten on twelve (12) sheets of paper (including the attestation clause, signatures of witnesses,

in the presence of each and all of the subscribing witnesses, each of whom I have requested in the presence of each of the others, to subscribe his or her name, together with his or her address, as an attesting witness, in my presence, and in the presence of each other. Jean M. O'CONNELL (SEAL) O'CONNELL declared to us, the undersigned, that the foregoing instrument was her Last Will and Testament and she requested us to act as witnesses to her signature thereon. She thereupon signed said Will in our presence, we being present at the same time; and we now, at her request, in her presence, and in the presence of each other do hereunto subscribe our names as witnesses. And we each of us declare that we believe this testatrix to be of sound mind and memory. Earnhoer residing at Frank Va

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Will of Jean M. O'Connell 1985.01.03

Co executor are Anthony Miner O'Connell and Philip D. Shalloway. Prepared by Philip D. Shalloway.

Last Will and Testament

OF

JEAN M. O'CONNELL

- I, Jean M. O'Connell, of the County of Fairfax, Virginia, being of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, do hereby make, publish and declare this instrument in writing as and for my Last Will and Testament, hereby expressly revoking all former Wills and other testamentary dispositions heretofore made by me.
- 1. I direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid as promptly as practicable after my death. I authorized my co-executors, hereinafter named, to expend such sums as they in their sold discretion may deem proper for my funeral and interment, including the acquisition of any burial site and the erection and engraving of grave monuments, regardless of any limitation fixed by statute, rule of court, or otherwise.
- 2. All the rest, residue and remainder of my property, real and personal, tangible and intangible, wheresoever situate and howsoever held, I give, devise and bequeath, in fee simple, share and share alike, to my children, JEAN MARY O'CONNELL NADER, of New Kensington, Pennsylvania; SHEILA ANN O'CONNELL-SHEVENELL, of Portland, Maine; and ANTHONY MINER O'CONNELL, of St. Louis, Missouri, per stirpes.
- 3. I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my said son,
 ANTHONY MINER O'CONNELL, and my lawyer PHILIP D. SHALLOWAY, to be the
 Co-Executors of this, my Last Will and Testament, to serve without
 bond or undertaking; and I hereby waive appraisement of my estate.

 I authorize and empower my Co-Executors in the administration of my
 estate to sell, transfer, assign and convey, upon such terms as they
 shall deem proper, any part or all of my real and personal estate,
 at public or private sale, without order of court, and to execute,
 acknowledge and deliver proper deeds therefor, without liability
 on any purchaser to see to the application of the purchase money.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal to this my Last Will and Testament, on the margin of each page of which other than this page being any signature and seal, I have signed my name, all on this 34d day of 500, 1985, in the County of Fairfax, Commonwealth of Virginia.

JEAN M. O'CONNELL

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STATE OF VIRGINIA COUNTY OF FAIRFAX, to-wit:

personally appeared JEAN M. O'CONNELL, Kellie A. Tonnson,

Milip D. Shalloway, and Clement J. Wall, known

to me to be the Testatrix and the witnesses, respectively, whose names are signed to the foregoing Last Will and Testament, and all of these persons being by me first duly sworn, JEAN M. O'CONNELL, the

Testatrix, declared to me and to the witnesses in my presence that said instrument is her Last Will and Testament and that she had willingly signed and executed it in the presence of said witnesses as her free and voluntary act for the purposes therein expressed.

Said witnesses stated before me that the foregoing Last Will and

Testament was executed and acknowledged by the Testatrix as her Last Will and Testament in the presence of said witnesses who, in her presence and at her request, and in the presence of each other, did subscribe their names thereto as attesting witnesses on the day of the date of said Will, and that the Testatrix, at the time of the execution of said Will, was over the age of eighteen (18) years and of sound and disposing mind and memory.

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Subscribed, sworn and acknowledged before me by JEAN M.
O'CONNELL, the Testatrix, and Leure A. Johnson,
Philip & Shalloway, and Clement J. WALL.
witnesses, this 3 M day of January, 1985.
By Lace
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires: 11/3/86

PHILIP D. SHALLOWAY

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW

SUITE 505

7620 LITTLE RIVER TURNPIKE ANNANDALE, VIRGINIA 22003

POST OFFICE DRAWER 450

TELEPHONE (703) 941-3700

Mrs. Jean M. O'Connell 654l Franconia Road Springfield, VA. 22150 January 3 19.85

FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED

Review of file, Meeting with Commissioner of Accounts, Review of Fiduciary File, Checking of land records to ascertain title, Telephone calls to accountant, and Conference

6.0 hrs.

\$600.00

Preparation of Last Will and Testament

150.00

BALANCE DUE ON ACCOUNT

\$750.00

ESTATE OF HAROLD M. O'CONNELL

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SECOND ACCOUNT OF JEAN M. O'CONNELL, EXECUTRIX COVERING PERIOD FROM MAY 26, 1977 TO DECEMBER 31, 1980

Description		Assets received or on hand	Disbursements
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DISTRIBUTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY TO WIFE			\$ 500.00
ASSETS REMAINING AT DECEMBER 31, 1980: One-half interest in residence and 3.3365 acres at 6541 Franconia Road.			
Springfield, Virginia One-half interest in 15 acres of unimproved			40,681.00
land, Accotink Station, Fairfax, Virginia 254 shares, New Virginia Bancorporation Washington-Lee Savings & Loan Association -			37,500.00 1,952.50
Certificate Due to Jean M. O'Connell for net advances			3,852.08 (3,050.27)
	TOTAL	\$ 99 , 726.25	\$ 99,726.25

Respectfully submitted,

Jean M. O'Connell, Executrix

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Will of Jean M. O'Connell 1985.05.30

Co-executors are Anthony Miner O'Connell and Jo Ann Barnes. Prepared by Edward J. White.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

OF

JEAN M. O'CONNELL

BE IT REMEMBERED that I, JEAN M. O'CONNELL now residing in Fairfax County, Virginia, being of sound mind and memory, and considering the uncertainty of life, do hereby make this as and for my Last Will and Testament, hereby expressly revoking any and all wills and codicils made by me at any time heretofore.

ITEM I. I direct that my Co-Executors, hereinafter named, satisfy and pay all my debts and funeral expenses as soon as possible. My Co-Executors shall not however, be required to pay, prior to maturity, any debts secured by a mortgage, deed of trust, pledge or similar encumbrance on any property owned by me at the time of my death, and such property shall pass subject to such mortgage, deed of trust, pledge or similar encumbrance.

ITEM II. I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint ANTHONY MINER O'CONNELL of St. Louis, Missouri and JO ANN BARNES of Alexandria, Virginia to be the Co-Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, and I direct that they shall not be required to furnish any bond or security for the proper performance of their duties as such and that they shall have full power without application to any court to sell at public or private sale all or any part of my personal property, if such sale, in their opinion, be necessary or desirable.

In the event that either of the above named Co-Executors is unable to serve as Executor, I direct that the survivor shall serve as Executor.

ITEM III. I give, devise and bequeath all of the property, real, personal and mixed that I now own, may hereafter acquire, or whatsoever may be held in trust for me by others to JEAN MARY O'CONNELL-NADER of New Kensington, Pennsylvania; SHEILA ANN O'CONNELL-SHEVENELL of Portland, Maine; and ANTHONY MINER O'CONNELL, of St. Louis, Missouri in equal shares.

in the event any of the above named beneficiaries predecease me, I direct that the share of that person be distributed to the issue of the person predeceasing me, per stirpes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal to this my Last Will and Testament this 3o day of May, 1985.

Jean M. O Connell (SEAL)

We, the undersigned do hereby certify that JEAN M. O'CONNELL, signed, acknowledged and declared the foregoing paper as and for her Last Will and Testament in the presence of all of us, all persons present together at the same time, who, in her presence and at her request, and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as attesting witnesses on the day and year above written.

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, to wit:

Before me, the undersigned authority on this day personally appeared JEAN M. O'CONNELL, Rosenal, A. Mingle, A.

as her free and voluntary act for the purposes therein expressed; that said witnesses stated before me that the foregoing Will was executed and acknowledged by the Testator as her Last Will and Testament in the presence of the said witnesses, who in her presence and at her request, and in the presence of each other did subscribe their names as attesting witnesses on the day of the date of the Will; and the Testator, at the time of the execution of the Will was over the age of eighteen (18) years and of sound and disposing mind and memory.

Jean M. O'Connoll
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Subscribed, sworn and acknowledged before me by
JEAN M. O'CONNELL, the Testator, subscribed and sworn before me
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and, witnesses, this 30 day of
May, 1985.
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My commission expires

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(703) 549-7800

August 16, 1985

Mrs. Jean M. O'Connell, Executrix Estate of Harold M. O'Connell 6541 Franconia Road Springfield, Virginia 22150

Re: Estate of Harold M. O'Connell

Dear Mrs. O'Connell:

Your son requested that I furnish him copies of the Court Accountings that had been filed for the Estate. I have sent them on to him today. I am also enclosing a copy of the schedule which I believe reflects the fraction of the estate's one-half interest in each property to which you and the Trust are entitled.

If the transfers are made in these percentages, you would then own 56.475% of each property (50% owned individually plus 12.95% of one-half interest of the estate) and the Trust would own 43.525% of each property. If you and the Trust chose at some time in the future to exchange all or part of an interest in a property, I believe it should be done based on the then current fair market value of the properties. In such case, I would recommend that you have the properties appraised by a qualified real estate appraiser.

With regards to your request that I serve as co-trustee of the Trust with your son, I regret that I must decline to be either co-trustee or act as agent to receive notices and processes for him.

Please call me and we can discuss this further.

Very truly yours,

Joanne L. Barnes

JLB:jsp

cc: Mr. Anthony M. O'Connell 2337 South Thirteenth Street St. Louis, Missouri 63104

ESTATE OF HAROLD M. ϕ 'CONNELL

COMPUTATION OF PERCENTAGE INTEREST IN TRUST

PROBATE ASSETS:	
1/2 interest - residence	\$ 40,681
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605 shares, Washington Mutual	6,709
220 shares, New Virginia	1,953
Refund	5
Overpayment of Virginia tax	57
Cash	3,245
	\$ 90,150
PAYABLE TO WIFE DIRECTLY:	
Cash POD	\$ 16,541
Life insurance	14,918
Jointly owned property	13,902
Personal property	500
U. S. Civil Service	1,381
Annuity	16,338
	\$ 63,580
Gross estate per return	\$153,986
Funeral expenses, etc., per return	5,372
Net estate	\$148,614
Federal estate and Virginia inheritance tax	2,225
Net estate	\$146,389
Less property passing directly to wife	63,580
Net probate estate	\$ 82,809
Marital deduction \$74,307	
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Residuary estate	(87.05% Trust share) \$ 72,082

Codicil to Will of Jean M. O'Connell 1985.09.20

Co-executors are Edward J. White and Jean Mary O'Connell-Nader.

CODICIL TO

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

OF

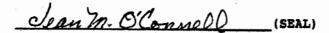
JEAN M. O'CONNELL

BE IT REMEMBERED that I, JEAN M. O'CONNELL now residing in Fairfax County, Virginia, being of sound mind and memory, and considering the uncertainty of life, do hereby make this as and for a Codicil to my Last Will and Testament dated May 30, 1985.

J. WHITE, of Alexandria, Virginia and JEAN MARY O'CONNELL-NADER of New Kensington, Pennsylvania to be the Co-Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, and I direct that they shall not be required to furnish any bond or security for the proper performance of their duties as such and that they shall have full power without application to any court to sell at public or private sale all or any part of my personal property, if such sale, in their opinion, be necessary or desirable.

In the event that either of the above named Co-Executors is unable to serve as Executor, I direct that the survivor shall serve as Executor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal to this Codicil to my Last Will and Testament this 20 day of September, 1985.



We, the undersigned do hereby certify that JEAN M. O'CONNELL, signed, acknowledged and declared the foregoing paper as and for her Codicil to her Last Will and Testament in the presence of all of us, all persons present together at the same time, who, in her presence and at her request, and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as

attesting witnesses on the day and year above written.

Frances W. Dehler	Alexandria, VA.
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Before me, the undersigned authority on this day personally

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, to wit:

appeared JEAN M. O'CONNELL, FRANCOS U. C. 885 SHIRLEY M. BRICHAM, and known to me to be the Testator and the witnesses, respectively, whose names are signed to the attached or foregoing instrument and, all of these persons being first duly sworn, JEAN M. O'CONNELL, the Testator, declared to me and to the witnesses in my presence that said instrument is her Codicil to her Last Will and Testament, and that she had willingly signed or directed another to sign the same for her, and executed it in the presence of said witnesses as her free and voluntary act for the purposes therein expressed; that said witnesses stated before me that the foregoing Codicil was executed and acknowledged by the Testator as her Codicil to her Last Will and Testament in the presence of the said witnesses, who in her presence and at her request, and in the presence of each other did subscribe their names as attesting witnesses on the day of the date of the Codicil; and the Testator, at the time of the execution of the Codicil was over the age of eighteen (18) years and of sound and disposing mind and memory.

Jean M. O'Connell

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JEAN M. O'CONNELL	sworn and acknowledged before me by L, the Testator, subscribed and sworn before me CBB, SHIRLEY M. BRISHAM. , witnesses, this 2d day of
September, 1985.	
	Notary Public
My commission exp	oir <mark>es: /</mark>

EDWARD J. WHITE

ATTORNEY AT LAW

118 SOUTH ROYAL STREET

ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22314

TELEPHONE 836-5444

February 25, 1992

Mr. Anthony M. O'Connell 6541 Franconia Rd. Springfield, Va. 22150

Re: Estate of Jean M. O' Connell

Dear Mr. O'Connell,

I have received your letter of February 24, 1992 in which you request that I reconsider my refusal to resign as co-executor of your mother's estate.

Once more I decline to take such action.

When your mother approached me about changing the co-executors of her will, we discussed the matter at length. She specifically desired to make the changes which are in effect now, and was quite firm in her decision. It would be clearly disloyal of me to dishonor her intentions.

If you are represented, I will be glad to discuss this matter with your counsel.

Sincerely.

Edward J⁄. White

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Copy to: Jean M. Nader

EDWARD J. WHITE

ATTORNEY AT LAW

118 SOUTH ROYAL STREET

ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22314

TELEPHONE 836-5444

November 5, 1993

Edgar A. Prichard, Esq. 8280 Greensboro Dr. #900 McLean, Va. 22102

Re: Estate of Jean M. O'Connell

Dear Mr. Prichard,

On October 29, 1993, Judge Bach entered the Order of Distribution, a copy of which is enclosed.

I am also enclosing the full financial history of the estate including receipts and disbursements from which the final accounting will be prepared, as well as the statements from A. G. Edwards and the mutual funds which will give the approximate value of the assets on hand.

Mr. O'Connell had expressed the desire to be paid in cash, but now has stated to Mrs. Nader that he desires to have the stocks and funds distributed to him. His sisters also desire an in kind distribution. As long as all three want the same thing, I have no problem with in kind or cash distribution.

The commission requested will be 5% of the assets and income received by the estate. Items upon which no commission is due are noted in the Receipts listing. Mrs. Nader has stated that she does not want a commission. Since we took a deduction for the full 5% commission on the 706 and saved money thereby, Mrs. Nader is going to split her share three ways less the income tax which she will pay on it.

The second fiduciary return will be ready next week and copies will be distributed as soon as I receive it.

I wish I could end this letter at this point, but there are some other matters which I did not think would arise after Mr. O'Connell's civil tone in his letter of June 30 and my reply.

Enclosed is a copy of Mr. O'Connell's letter to the Commissioner of October 25, 1993. (Earlier he had written the Commissioner requesting that I be denied reimbursement from the estate for expenses in defending myself from his charge to the Bar. I wrote Jesse Wilson that I never entertained seeking such

Page 2 Ltr to Edgar A. Prichard, Esq. November 5, 1993

payment.) On October 27, 1993, I wrote Jesse and told him that you were representing Mr. O'Connell or at least advising him.

Next, I was informed by Mrs. Nader last week that Mr. O'Connell has demanded that we be bonded. The will flatly states otherwise and to do so would be in violation of our office.

I will admit that I am furious about this continual petty harassment. From inception of this estate including the time that his sisters gave him the vehicle and I merely asked for a receipt so that a proper accounting might be filed, Mr. O'Connell has tried one stunt after another to disrupt the flow of administration, notwithstanding my repeated attempts to calm him down.

I am including Mr. O'Connell's complaint to the Virginia State Bar and the Bar's reply. I have omitted the 44 pages of enclosures he filed. His outright malicious lies about me (Page 7: "to deliberately mislead a seventy-nine year old woman", "abuse of the fiduciary trust" and "license to steal") in his complaint to the Bar are unforgivable and most decidedly actionable. In this regard please inform him that I would accept a full written apology for these remarks and let the matter drop even though no one has ever made such a statement about me.

I am fully aware of the root cause of all of this; however, it is not my fault that Miss Jo Ann Barnes refused to serve as a Co-Executor with Mr. O'Connell or that his mother came to me and directed his removal from that clause of the will.

I would fervently pray that he be counselled insofar as possible to let this estate be wound up in a normal fashion. He does not have to like me; he needs only to get off my back.

I assume that if he does not let matters drop, the next step will be to try and deny all or part of the commission due. I have spent well over 110 hours in this case without any payment of any sort and will most certainly expect to be paid the customary commission (2 1/2%) which I have explained to Mr. O'Connell in the past, provided it is approved by the Commissioner.

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Edward/J. White