

February 1, 1996

Dear Raymond and Shannon:

I have heard both of your sides in the Waterford vase controversy. Both of you claim it on sentimental grounds, but neither makes a compelling argument. Raymond claims that he traded the living room furniture for it, but I think that Shannon was going to get that anyhow. Shannon denies that she traded anything for it and was bullied into giving it up by Raymond and Sandy.

In defense of Shannon's claim, I am enclosing copies of Judy's bequests, which clearly designates Shannon to receive the vase. If there was any agreement to change it, there is no evidence of it. I have to rely on your honesty to resolve this. I suggest that you get on the telephone, just the two of you (that means out of Sandy's hearing), and have a heart-to-heart conversation about it. You should be able to come to an agreement satisfactory to both of you without hard feelings.

Backhanded swipes at "adoring grandmother" have no bearing on the matter (and probably moved someone up on her s__list). I got Shannon's side of the story directly from her, without any help from anyone. When I found the bequest in Judy's papers, I tended to believe Shannon.

That tendency was reinforced by the outrage felt by the whole family, not just me or Shannon, at the way Sandy and Jack took part in what was supposed to be a two-way division between loving siblings. As for Sandy's humble taste, her taste should not have entered into this in any way. In fact, an observer (not a family member) remarked to me that, "That one sure knows value; she went for the good stuff and left the cheap stuff." I was also told that all the time that Ray and I were getting his computer ready to take, Jack was roaming around and helping himself to whatever he fancied. Again that is water over the dam; nothing can be done to undo it, but please don't use the argument that Ray's family was slandered to justify his keeping the vase. Truth is a perfect defense against charges of slander.

As far as the cross goes, it is not very valuable, and Judy wanted Patty to have it. They were very close, and Patty helped Judy a lot. I think that both of you should be ashamed of yourselves for taking it. Patty has busted her butt since your mother died taking care of the estate, and will continue to do so for months to come while you enjoy the fruits of her labors. Again, shame on both of you.

While I'm off the original subject of this letter; Judy, Winnie, and I each owned a one-third undivided interest in the Los Abrigados membership. When she died, you each inherited a one-sixth interest in the membership. It was Judy's intent that the estate would pay off the balance of the account and that the membership be put into your names. Legally, that cannot be done without our quitclaiming our two-thirds interest to you, which I am not inclined to do under the present circumstances.

However, that point may be moot, because neither of you may be interested in retaining the membership, if you have to pay something to retain it. If one or both of you can agree to pay off the balance, then we will deed our shares to either or both of you, provided that if either of you does not contribute to the payoff, then that person will quitclaim his or her one-sixth interest to the other.

If we have to pay off the balance, we will retain our two-thirds interest. It may be possible to sell the membership and split the proceeds according to our respective interests, but I doubt that we would realize much over the remaining balance. This would have to be explored.

When Judy went into the hospital, your grandmother and I dropped everything and drove 75 miles a day in heavy traffic, practically every day and at our age, to visit her. I sat there for hours on end in constant pain from my cancer, but we knew almost from the start that she was dying and we wanted to be by her side and comfort her, to try to allay her fears and help her accept death. We did this because she was our daughter and we loved her, not because we expected to get anything out of it. We don't think that we deserve any medals for what we did.

Patty could not come as often as we did, but frequently she would work all day at the store and come to the hospital after she closed the store, then stay until midnight, with another work day staring at her the next day. She too did this out of love, not with the expectation that getting something out of it.

But she did get something out of it; she got the job of administering the estate for the benefit of two selfish, self-centered brats. Since your mother died, the three of us have worked long hours, seven days a week, practically every day to take care of getting her buried, selling and continuing her businesses, cleaning up the shambles at the house, and trying to wind up her business affairs so the IRS doesn't come in and take everything. We didn't have the luxury of sitting around and being bereaved parents and sister-in-law. Somebody had to do the dirty work, and we did it - and we're still doing it and will continue to do it for a long time.

We get nothing out of this and expect nothing; we even pay our own expenses. It's all being done for your benefit, so you might see why I have little patience with petty bickering over who got what, feigned indignity over imagined insults, or sentimental excuses about grieving for mother. I haven't had time to grieve; maybe when this is all over, I can take a day off and grieve for my lost daughter.

In the meantime, let's start acting like adults and settle this thing once and for all. Your grandfather has spoken.

Sincerely,

Raymond J. Porter

cc: Patty Jo Porter

encl., Patty: Two E-Mail

encl., Ray: Judy's notes

encl., Shannon: Two E-Mail, Judy's notes

Raymond J. Porter

To: Raymond A Blacketer

Subject: RE:

Ray:

Neither of the Ireland books were mine.

Shannon was supposed to distribute your mother's Christmas presents she had stored in the hall closet. She didn't.

I don't know who the juicer was intended for; probably Jim or one of his girls, but it doesn't matter, he took her juicer in the kitchen.

The pizza maker was intended for Jim. I never saw it and don't know where it ended up.

There was a package of canned salmon from the Northwest, which was probably intended for me. I got it.

God only knows what else was there, or who got what.

Patty, Winnie, and I have worked all day, practically every day since Judy died, getting her businesses sold, cleaning out the house, etc. We took this week off because Patty went to Israel. We still have to do her bookkeeping for 1995 in order to prepare her tax return, and we have tons of records to store or dispose of.

The first probate hearing will be February 28th, as you have been notified. So far, the medical bills exceed \$400,000, not to mention other debts. Unless the hospital doesn't press its claim, I wouldn't be planning on any big windfall.

Among the mysteries: I found Meaghan's grooming table and restraining arm, but no legs for the table. Also I found the handle for pulling her 4-wheeled dolly that she used at dog shows, but not the dolly. It's obvious from what we found that Judy never threw *anything* out, broken or not, so they were probably there. Perhaps Jack got them when he was invited to take anything he wanted. How the hell he became entitled to loot the estate is beyond me.

I find it reprehensible that the three of you ganged up on Shannon in what was supposed to be a fair division between you and Shannon. I never saw Sandy's nor Jack's name anywhere in Judy's estate papers. Well, the dirty deed is done, and there's nothing I can do to undo it, but the bad taste will linger a long time.

I do feel strongly about that Waterford vase. Your mother specifically bequeathed it to Shannon, and Shannon says that you and Sandy bullied her out of it. Once again, Sandy had no business being involved in the division at all, let alone to gang up on Shannon.

In any event, until that vase is safely in Shannon's hands, you are sitting at the very top of my s__list. While you may be indifferent to being so honored, it will make a difference in time.

From what I've seen, AOL is for women (housewives) and children to chat and play games. CompuServe is for serious researchers and information seekers. Its basic rate of \$9.95 for 5 hours is well worth it just for the updated drivers, bug fixes, and virus definition updates that I download. Additional time is \$2.95 per hour. For another \$15.00 a month you can get another 15 free hours if you use the service a lot. These include free access to the Internet. There are free offers for the first month everywhere. WinCim 2.0.1 is the latest version of their software, and it is pretty slick.

When I get done here, I'm going onto CompuServe to look for a bug fix for Winword 7. There is a problem with the cursor at the left edge of the screen. I'm using Microsoft Exchange now with Winword as my mail editor. Those red squiggly underlines show every typo (and a few that are not typos, but not in the dictionary). It flagged Compuserve and corrected it to CompuServe when I right-clicked on it. It also flagged squiggly and offered me squiggle, squiggled, and squiggles as correcttions, but no squiggley. Oh well, nothing's perfect.

Good luck with the dissertation. You should have no trouble with it, so long as you don't lose your cool in the defense of it. Things like, "You !@#\$% oaf, what the f___ do you know about it." are inappropriate responses to criticism and may tend to prejudice your cause. (I couldn't resist that.)

Gramps

Raymond J. Porter

From: Raymond A Blacketer

Sent: Tuesday, January 30, 1996 8:14 PM

To: Raymond Porter

Subject:

Dear Gramps,

I was sure some of those Irish books had to have been yours! I will keep my eyes open.

I am disappointed by the fact that when Shannon asserts that she was bullied by Sandra, Jack, and myself, in an opportunistic attempt to loot Judy's estate and to come out on top, even before the grave flowers have wilted, it is assumed that her assertion is accurate or even the slightest bit truthful. Were it so, I would be so ashamed of myself and my wife and brother-in-law that I would never dare to respond.

Fortunately for my conscience, I consider her fabrications to be the product of her own rage and conniving. Unfortunately for my reputation in the family, it seems that her word is taken to be gospel truth, with all of the characterizations of me as a reprehensible bastard entailed thereby.

I hope that before you shut the book on this case you might consider hearing some testimony from the accused. I would not want to attain the honor of first place on your shit list unless I had duly earned it by my own merit. Consider these facts:

1. My mother composed a list of items for distribution to Shannon and myself; when this list was composed I do not know. My mother called both Shannon and myself and talked about this list with us. Shannon and I both suggested changes to my mother and to each other. Before my mother had even gone into surgery Judy, Shannon, and I had agreed on an equitable distribution of all these particular items, which included major pieces of furniture, china, crystal, and other significant items. The final division was agreed upon by all without dissent--unfortunately, it seems, we did not think it necessary to write this arrangement down on paper. One of the suggestions I made to my mother was that she not bequeath the diamond cross necklace to Patty (not because of anything having to do with Patty, but because I thought it should remain in the immediate family), but instead give it to Shannon. In the process of these negotiations, Shannon freely and without constraint traded the Waterford vase to me for, if I recollect accurately, the entirety of Mom's living room furniture (the white French provincial couch, loveseat, chair, and the coffee and end tables). At no point in this discussion was Sandra involved in the least (refer to fact #2, below). My mother was aware of this agreement (we conversed numerous times on the phone about it in the weeks before she entered the hospital) and in no way expressed hesitance or disapproval.
2. Sandra has no taste for Irish crystal, Wedgwood china, or, for that matter, any other dainty imported niceties. She puts her flowers in a stoneware teapot that was purchased at a garage sale.
3. Shannon has not at any time expressed to me that she regretted her decision about the vase, neither before my mother's death nor at any time afterward, including the week that we were in California. In fact, she has still not said a word to me about

that vase.

4. Were I to attempt to bully Shannon out of that vase I would require more than the aid of my wife and her brother; the California National Guard would have to be on my side in such an endeavor. To me it seems that an attempt to bully someone into giving you what you want might look something like this: instead of actually telling the person who has what you want that you regret your decision and would like to renegotiate (which would be too forthright and then would not fall under the definition of bullying), you might surreptitiously bend the ear of your adoring grandmother and tell her some sob story about how YOU in fact were bullied (not to mention that the alleged bullyer ganged up on you with his mean, materialistic wife and her opportunistic brother-in-law). The object is to use surreptitious means to manipulatively acquire what you want, in this case, by getting your grandmother and whomever else you can get in on the plot to put pressure on the person who has what you want. This is first-class bullying, including all the necessary elements of manipulation and gossip so that you come out looking like the victim and the other person looks like a reprehensible bastard and has his reputation permanently tarnished. Now THAT would be what I call bullying.

It seems to me that I am at least entitled to make a few remarks in my own defense before I am designated among the black sheep of the family. If one were to judge Shannon and I on our respective track records of honesty, reliability, and rationality, the case would not even come to trial, so to speak. What is in fact reprehensible is Shannon's attempt to get the whole family aligned against me without saying a word to me about the matter. My immediate reaction to the situation, which is likely to be my permanent attitude in this matter, is that when and if Shannon ever decides to speak to me about this matter, I will simply tell her that before she slandered me, my wife, and my brother-in-law in front of the whole family, everything was negotiable. I always gave Shannon first choice in the division of our mother's property; I always supported the plan to enforce Judy's last expressed wishes rather than the letter of her Trust; I never in any way, nor did Sandra or her brother, take advantage of a young woman who was mourning her mother's death. To suggest otherwise is a high unforgivable sin. In light of these facts, and for the fact that she is gravely slandering my wife and her brother, you can probably guess the likelihood of me shipping that vase off to her and waiting for her next attack.

As far as the rest of the family is concerned, I hope that you will take into consideration this small fragment of my side of the story (a story which I never knew about until last week when Patty called me and told me that Grandma had told her that Shannon was bewailing her alleged mistreatment).

Given the fact that when Shannon finally received her mother's jewelry she expressed to me, and I quote, "My ship has come in," I imagine that she might be satisfied with some appropriate financial compensation, since that appears to be what is important to her. I found in the same file that had my old report cards a receipt from Waterford/Wedgewood in La Jolla, dated June 4, 1988, that lists a 9.5" vase, and gives a stock number #2301406200. As far as the vase that sits on my mantle and reminds me daily of my mother is concerned, I doubt it will be going anywhere soon. Fortunately, it still reminds me of Judy and her love for such things, and does not bring to mind the manipulative machinations of my

sister. I regret that my sister cannot find anything better to do to honor the memory of our mother than to engage in this destructive behavior.

I hope that you will inform me regarding my continued eligibility as first draft pick for the scatological list in question. I regret that in this time when we are all wanting to remember Judy and to mourn her loss that this kind of b.s. is going on.

Regarding my comprehensives and oral exams, they all went very well with the exception of the last exam and the oral. I wrote the philosophical exam without having read 80% of the reading list. In spite of that, and in spite of a rather less-than-stellar performance on my oral yesterday (Monday), I was contingently passed. The contingency is that I have to read a pile of books on philosophy and write a huge essay. I could have done better in preparing for the oral, but I spent the weekend in Canada in bed with the flu (I went up there to see Sandra's mom, who went into the hospital last Tuesday with pneumonia; she appears to be going downhill rapidly). Regardless, I'm rather depressed about my performance. Too perfectionistic, I suppose.

E-talk to you later,

Raymond

Raymond J. Porter

From: Raymond A Blacketer

Sent: Monday, January 29, 1996 11:25 PM

To: Raymond Porter

Subject:

Gramps--

I have found two books pertaining to Ireland so far: The Big Book of American Irish Culture, ed. by Bob Callahan, and another entitled simply "Ireland" by Brendan Lehane. The latter is a coffee table style production with some sort of castle on the slipcover. Since I arrived back in the frozen North on January 12 I have been completely absorbed in trying to pass my comprehensive exams; thus I have not even come close to unpacking everything. If you are missing some other books, then, they might still make their appearance over here.

I also found a TIFF format image of the photograph found on Judi's business card; it was located in the MS Publisher directory.

I have been trying America On Line, but I'm not terribly impressed. As soon as I can afford it I will probably install Windows 95 and get onto the MSN. The AOL web browser is rather primitive; Netscape is the best I've seen so far.

I have now finished all of my written comprehensive exams and my oral exam; all that is left is the dissertation proposal and the dissertation itself (along with the defense thereof). I'm going to take a day off before I start writing lectures for the Spring quarter church history survey course.

Hope you're well!

Raymond

Kathy Porter Trust

Approved by		
Prepared by		

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1 Call Butch Kaske & handle home

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3 ~~Buy~~ Practice has value - could be sold

4 for \$40-45,000. = Butch Kaske

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6 Securities Practice - need to ck if trail

7 Commissions can be passed down. yes ^{see letter}

8 & who will take over clients

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10 Life's ins Co's ^{100K} Savings (Chubb) & ^{100K} Jackson Natl

11 Life

12 Randy's student loans & be paid off completely

13 Shannon's " " " when she graduates

14 finish paying for Shannon's wedding. (Shane & Patsy)

15 Best Laptop available for Randy - maybe judge

16 Waterford glasses & Randy

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18 Libraris - Childhood Books to Randy's children

19 Wedgewood China - Split R + Sh

20 Sterling Silver - R

21 Silver plate - Sh

22 Cookbooks - divide between R + Sh + Patsy

23 be sure leftovers go to someone!

24 Irish Cape - Randy

25 Diamond Wedding Ring - Shannon

26 Blue Topaz Ring - niece?

27 Opal Ring - niece?

28 Diamond Basket - Shannon

29 Diamond Heart Ring - Patsy

30 " Cross - Patsy

31 " Studs - Niece

32 Princess Pearls - Shannon

33 Pearl Diver Ring & Earrings

34 Portugal Tea Set - Patsy

35 Great Emeralds Pearl Pin - Patsy in trust - Shannon

36 Guns - Randy ^{will} pass down to R's daughter

37 HP 4 printer to Randy

38 One Comp & Printer - DASH 466 & NEC & modem - Randy

39 Other " " - Shannon

40 Jeep - Randy's choice just

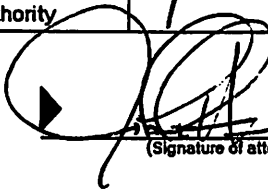
Best Trailer - Randy

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1	Antique Oedside Table - Sham				
2	Self Help Library - CoBa				
3	Pet Library -				
4	2 baby bears - Nieces?				
5	big bears - Shannon				
6	Butterfly Reels - Robert, Robert, Robert				
7	Canary - Jessica				
8	Trail commissions to be paid to Randy -				
9	he is to send Shannon 1/2.				
10	Silver Nishi - Shannon				
11	Do everything possible to put Shannon's				
12	inheritance into the house for her.				
13	If she buys the house, remove all				
14	restrictions from her, including				
15	paying off student loans.				
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17	After bills & meaghan trust, split				
18	\$ in half!				
19					
20	Pay off Los Angeles & give to kids				
21	jointly.				
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23	Waterford vase #1 - Shannon				
24	Other bowls & vases - Sh Randy				
25	Diamond Bracelet - Shannon				
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27	Change residue of meaghan trust @ her				
28	death to Dr. Van Cise - Not VC Davis.				
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31	Change Successor Trustees - (+ P.O.A. assets)				
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33	Patty Porter + Butch Kaske				
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35	(Hale processed 10/23/1)				
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37	Change P.O.A. for Health Care -				
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40	Randy's Baby Mug - Randy				

MAILING LIST
Estate of JUDITH E. NILES, Decendent
CASE NO. 70587

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Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506
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ATTORNEY FOR (Name): PATTY JO PORTER		
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE STREET ADDRESS: 4050 Main Street MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: Riverside, California 92501-3704 BRANCH NAME: Riverside		
ESTATE OF (NAME): JUDITH E. NILES <div style="text-align: right;">DECEDENT</div>		
PETITION FOR (For deaths after December 31, 1984)		CASE NUMBER: 70587 HEARING DATE: 2-20-96 DEPT.: 1 TIME: 9:00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probate of Will and for Letters Testamentary <input type="checkbox"/> Probate of Will and for Letters of Administration with Will Annexed <input type="checkbox"/> Letters of Administration <input type="checkbox"/> Letters of Special Administration <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Authorization to Administer Under the Independent Administration of Estates Act <input type="checkbox"/> with limited authority		


 (Signature of attorney or party without attorney)

1. Publication will be in (specify name of newspaper):
 - a. Publication requested.
 - b. Publication to be arranged.
2. Petitioner (name of each): **PATTY JO PORTER** requests
 - a. decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate.
 - b. (name) **PATTY JO PORTER** be appointed (1) executor (3) administrator (2) administrator with will annexed (4) special administrator and Letters issue upon qualification.
 - c. that full limited authority be granted to administer under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.
 - d. bond not be required for the reasons stated in item 3d.
 \$ _____ bond be fixed. It will be furnished by an admitted surety insurer or as otherwise provided by law. (Specify reasons in Attachment 2d if the amount is different from the maximum required by Probate Code, § 8482.)
 \$ _____ in deposits in a blocked account be allowed. Receipts will be filed. (Specify institution and location):
3. a. Decedent died on (date): **12/31/95** at (place): **Los Angeles, California**
 a resident of the county named above.
 a nonresident of California and left an estate in the county named above located at (specify location permitting publication in the newspaper named in item 1):
 - b. Street address, city, and county of decedent's residence at time of death:
1720 Fairview Drive, Corona, California 91720
 - c. Character and estimated value of the property of the estate

(1) Personal property	\$	Unascertained
(2) Annual gross income from		
(i) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> real property	\$	0.00
(ii) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> personal property	\$	Unascertained
Total	\$	Unascertained
(3) Real property: \$ 0.00		

 (If full authority under the Independent Administration of Estates Act is requested, state the fair market value of the real property less encumbrances.)
 - d. Will waives bond. Special administrator is the named executor and the will waives bond.
 All beneficiaries are adults and have waived bond, and the will does not require a bond. (Affix waiver as Attachment 3d.)
 All heirs at law are adults and have waived bond. (Affix waiver as Attachment 3d.)
 Sole personal representative is a corporate fiduciary.

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ESTATE OF (NAME):

JUDITH E. NILES

CASE NUMBER:

DECEDENT

3. e. Decedent died intestate.
 Copy of decedent's will dated: 11/8/89 codicils dated: 10/26/95 are affixed as Attachment 3e.
 The will and all codicils are self-proving (*Probate Code, 8220-8221*).
- f. **Appointment of personal representative (check all applicable boxes)**
- (1) Appointment of executor or administrator with will annexed
 Proposed executor is named as executor in the will and consents to act.
 No executor is named in the will.
 Proposed personal representative is a nominee of a person entitled to Letters. (*Affix nomination as Attachment 3f(1).*)
 Other named executors will not act because of death declination other reasons (*specify in Attachment 3f(1)*).
- (2) Appointment of administrator
 Petitioner is a person entitled to Letters. (*If necessary, explain priority in Attachment 3f(2).*)
 Petitioner is a nominee of a person entitled to Letters. (*Affix nomination as Attachment 3f(2).*)
 Petitioner is related to the decedent as (*specify*):
- (3) Appointment of special administrator requested. (*Specify grounds and requested powers in Attachment 3f(3).*)
- g. Proposed personal representative is a resident of California nonresident of California (*affix statement of permanent address as Attachment 3g*) resident of the United States nonresident of the United States.
4. Decedent's will does not preclude administration of this estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.
5. a. The decedent is survived by
(1) spouse no spouse as follows: divorced or never married spouse deceased
(2) child as follows: natural or adopted natural adopted by a third party step foster
 no child
(3) issue of a predeceased child no issue of a predeceased child
- b. Petitioner has no actual knowledge of facts has actual knowledge of facts reasonably giving rise to a parent-child relationship under Probate Code section 6408(b).
- c. All surviving children and issue of predeceased children have been listed in item 8.
6. (*Complete if decedent was survived by (1) a spouse but no issue (only a or b apply); or (2) no spouse or issue. Check the first box that applies*):
a. The decedent is survived by a parent or parents who are listed in item 8.
b. The decedent is survived by issue of deceased parents, all of whom are listed in item 8.
c. The decedent is survived by a grandparent or grandparents who are listed in item 8.
d. The decedent is survived by issue of grandparents, all of whom are listed in item 8.
e. The decedent is survived by issue of a predeceased spouse, all of whom are listed in item 8.
f. The decedent is survived by next of kin, all of whom are listed in item 8.
g. The decedent is survived by parents of a predeceased spouse or issue of those parents, if both are predeceased, all of whom are listed item 8.
7. (*Complete only if no spouse or issue survived the decedent*) Decedent had no predeceased spouse had a predeceased spouse who (1) died not more than 15 years before decedent owning an interest in **real property** that passed to decedent, (2) died not more than five years before decedent owning **personal property** valued at \$ 10,000 or more that passed to decedent, (3) neither (1) nor (2) apply. (*If you checked (1) or (2), check only the first box that applies*):
a. The decedent is survived by issue of a predeceased spouse, all of whom are listed in item 8.
b. The decedent is survived by a parent or parents of the predeceased spouse who are listed in item 8.
c. The decedent is survived by issue of a parent of the predeceased spouse, all of whom are listed in item 8.
d. The decedent is survived by next of kin of the decedent, all of whom are listed in item 8.
e. The decedent is survived by next of kin of the predeceased spouse, all of whom are listed in item 8.
8. **Listed in Attachment 8** are the names, relationships, ages, and addresses of all persons named in decedent's will and codicils, whether living or deceased, and all persons checked in items 5, 6, and 7, so far as known to or reasonably ascertainable by petitioner, including stepchild and foster child heirs and devisees to whom notice is to be given under Probate Code section 1207.
9. Number of pages attached:
Date: January 16, 1996

Attach a typed copy of a holographic will and a translation of a foreign language will.

(SIGNATURE OF PETITIONER*)

(SIGNATURE OF PETITIONER*)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: January 16, 1996

PATTY JO PORTER

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

(SIGNATURE OF PETITIONER*)

* All petitioners must sign the petition. Only one need sign the declaration.

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**CODICIL
TO THE
LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF
JUDITH NILES**

6 This is a codicil to the LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF JUDITH NILES.

7 This Codicil is dated 10 - 24, 1995.

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FIRST

10 I hereby revoke all prior nominations of executor and state
11 that at my death, I nominate PATTY JO PORTER AND REGIS KADKE as
12 personal representatives of my estate with full authority under the
13 independent estate administration provisions of the California
14 Probate code. No bond shall be required of my nominated personal
15 representative.

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SECOND

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19 All other terms, conditions, declarations and provisions of the Will
20 not in conflict with this Codicil, are hereby republished and
21 restated as if set forth herein in full.

1 In witness whereof, this Codicil has been executed on the date stated
2 above at CORONA, California.

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4 BY: Judith Niles Testatrix
5 JUDITH NILES

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7 **ATTESTATION**

8 The testatrix, JUDITH NILES, on the date last above written,
9 declared to us that the above instrument is her latest Codicil to
10 her Will and requested us to act as witnesses to it. At this point
11 in time the testatrix appeared to be of sound and disposing mind.
12 Her publication and subscription of the Codicil appeared to be a
13 free and voluntary act. Wherefore, each of us at her request now
14 signs as a witness in the presence of the testatrix and in the
15 presence of each other. Each of us knows that each signature
16 appearing hereon is a true signature of the person who signed. We
17 the undersigned, are of the age of majority.
18 We declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and
19 correct. Executed on 10-26, 1995, at CORONA,
20 California.

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22 WITNESS 1 Genevieve P Asher

23 ADDRESS 1151 Portofino Ct. # 101
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25 WITNESS 2 [Signature]

26 ADDRESS 301 E. Colvin # 407 Pasadena, Ca.
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1 LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT
2 OF
3 JUDITH E. NILES
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5 JUDITH E. NILES, a resident of CALIFORNIA, declare this to be my Will and
6 hereby revoke all former Wills and Codicils.
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10 I am not now married. I have TWO CHILDREN whose names are:

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12 RAYMOND ANDREW BLACKETER BORN MARCH 15, 1965

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14 SHANNON RAE BLACKETER BORN MAY 21, 1970
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16 The terms "children" and "issue" as used herein shall mean lawful issue and shall
17 include after-born and legally adopted children.
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19 Second
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21 It is my intention to dispose of all my separate property as well as the interest in
22 the community property and quasi-community property in my estate. I do not
23 intend to exercise any power of appointment which I now have or which may
24 hereafter be conferred on me, unless that power is specifically referred to
25 herein or in any codicil hereto.
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27 Third
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29 I direct that all estate and inheritance taxes payable as a result of my death, not
30 limited to taxes assessed on property passing under this Will, shall be paid out of
31 the residue of my estate, (unless the executor determines that other provisions
32 for said payment have been made) and shall not be deducted or collected from
33 any legatee, devisee or beneficiary hereunder.
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Fourth

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4 A. I give my entire estate to the trustees of that certain Trust titled THE
5 JUDITH E. NILES TRUST dated November 8, 1989, and executed by myself as
6 trustee and myself as Trustor, as part of the Trust, to be administered and
7 disposed of in accordance with the provisions of the Trust.
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10 B. If for any reason the foregoing bequest lapses or fails, I give my entire estate
11 to the Trustee named in the Trust agreement referred to in Paragraph A of this
12 article, to be held, administered and distributed pursuant to the terms and
13 provisions of that trust agreement in the same manner as if such terms and
14 provisions, as presently existing, had been set forth herein in full. In the event
15 that the Trustee(s) named in such trust agreement is unable to act as Trustee(s),
16 declines to become Trustee(s), resigns, dies or becomes legally incapacitated, I
17 hereby appoint the successive Trustee(s) as designated in the above referred to
18 Trust, as Trustee(s).
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Fifth

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22 I nominate my friend, R. DOUGLAS COBB, as executor of this Will. If he is unable
23 or unwilling to act or to continue to act as executor, then I nominate my friend,
24 KIM LEE BRIGGS, as executrix. No Bond shall be required of any executor
25 named herein.
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27 I authorize my executrix/executor:

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29 To sell at either public or private sale, with or without notice, any property
30 belonging to my estate, subject only to any confirmation required by law.
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32 To invest and reinvest any surplus monies in my estate in any kind of property,
33 real, personal or mixed, and any kind of investment, specifically including, but
34 not by way of limitation, corporate obligations of every kind and stocks, common
35 or preferred, which men of prudence, discretion and intelligence acquire for
36 their own account. In so investing and reinvesting, the executor shall exercise
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2 the judgment and care, under the circumstances then prevailing, which men of
3 prudence, discretion and intelligence exercise in the management of their own
4 affairs, not in regard to speculation, but in regard to the permanent disposition
5 of their funds, considering the probable income as well as the probable safety of
6 their capital.

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8 To invest and reinvest any surplus monies in my estate in any common trust fund
9 or funds now or hereafter established.

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11 To continue the operation of any business that I may own at the time of my death
12 for the period of time and in the manner that the executor considers advisable
13 and in the best interest of my estate. Any operation, sale, or liquidation of such
14 business performed in good faith by the executor shall be solely at the risk of my
15 estate and without any liability on the part of the executor.

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17 To lease any real property belonging to my estate subject only to the
18 confirmation required by law.

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20 To borrow money on behalf of my estate and to encumber or hypothecate any
21 property in my estate by deed of trust, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise.

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23 On any partial or final distribution of my estate in its absolute discretion to
24 divide, allocate and distribute the property of my estate in kind, including
25 undivided interests, or partly in kind and partly in cash or entirely in cash; the
26 decision of the executor as to what constitutes a proper division of the property
27 of my estate shall be binding on all the distributees.

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29 **Sixth**

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31 If any beneficiary or remainderman under this Will in any manner, directly or
32 indirectly, contests or attacks this Will or any of its provisions, any share or
33 interest in my estate or in the estate of any trust established by this Will given to
34 that contesting beneficiary or remainderman under this Will is revoked and shall
35 be disposed of in the same manner provided herein as if that contesting
36 beneficiary or remainderman had predeceased me without issue.

Seventh

If any part of this Will is held to be void, invalid or inoperative, I direct that such voidness, invalidity or inoperativeness shall not affect any other part of this Will and that the remainder of this Will shall be carried into effect as though such part had not been contained herein.

As used in the Will, the masculine, feminine or neuter gender, and the singular or plural number shall each be deemed to include the others whenever the context so indicates.

The forgoing Will is subscribed by me on November 8, 1989

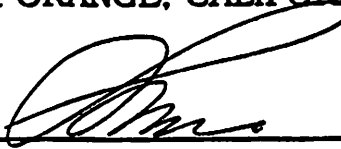
BY: Judith E. Niles
JUDITH E. NILES

Attestation

The testator, JUDITH E. NILES, on the date last above written, declared to us that the above instrument is her Will and requested us to act as witnesses to it. At this point in time the testator appeared to be of sound and disposing mind. Her publication and subscription of the Will appeared to be a free and voluntary act. Wherefore, each of us at her request now signs as a witness in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other. Each of us knows that each signature appearing hereon is a true signature of the person who signed. We the undersigned, are of the age of majority.

We declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on November 8, 1989, at ORANGE, CALIFORNIA

WITNESS 1



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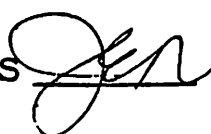
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**ATTACHMENT 8 TO PETITION FOR PROBATE
OF WILL AND FOR LETTERS TESTAMENTARY,
Estate of JUDITH E. NILES, Decedent**

Paragraph 8, Cont:

1. Raymond Andrew Blacketer
1306 Hall Street SE
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49506
Son, 30
2. Shannon Rae Blacketer
3620 Jamison, #2
Flagstaff, Arizona 80063
Daughter, 25
3. Raymond James Porter
13662 Loretta Drive
Tustin, California 92680
Father, 70
4. Winifred Jean Porter
13662 Loretta Drive
Tustin, California 92680
Mother, 67
5. James Porter
1521 E. Heritage Place
Orange, California 92666
Brother, 45
6. Beverly Wilder
1202 Kelton Road
San Diego, California 92114
Sister, 46

Evan Esar, humor books author, 96

By ANGELA M. WILLIAMS
The Orange County Register

Evan Esar, 96, an 11-year resident of Orange County who wrote and compiled books of jokes and humor, including "The Dictionary of Humorous Quotations," has died.

In the 1930s, Mr. Esar began writing, editing and compiling books of humor, including "Esar's Comic Dictionary" (1943), "Esar's Joke Dictionary" (1945), "The Animal Joker" (1946), "The Dictionary of Humorous Quotations" (1949), "The Humor of Humor" (1952), "Humorous English" (1961) and "The Comic Encyclopedia" (1978).

He identified the five main categories of humor as wordplay (including puns), caricature (exaggeration, insult), blunders (mistaken identity, malapropisms), wit (hoaxes, repartee) and nonsense (doubletalk, limericks).

He died Dec. 9 of prostate cancer at his Laguna Hills home, the Orange County coroner's office said Friday.

Mr. Esar left no immediate family. His wife, Cece, died in June.

FUNERAL AND DEATH NOTICES

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Rose Hills Cemetery, Sequoia section, lot 1910. \$900 obso 509-534-4314

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Huntington Beach.
Survivors: daughter, Marilyn Dewhirst; sister, Katherine Anderson; four grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren.

Lemuel Kent Stewart, 58, of Stanton, a loan officer, died Monday. Survivors: mother, Anna Hurley.

Roy Myron Stutzman, 90, of Laguna Hills died Monday of natural causes.

Survivors: wife, Esther; daughters, Janet Soule, Donna Cushing; 10 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren.

Shirley Joan Turek, 63, of Dana Point died Sunday. Services: 1 p.m. today, Pacific View Mortuary, Newport Beach.

Survivors: husband, two sons, one brother, several grandchildren.

Jose Viggiano, 77, of Fullerton, a mechanic, died Monday of natural causes. Services: 6 p.m. Monday, McAulay & Wallace Mortuary, Fullerton.

Survivors: wife, Maria; daughters, Silvia, Claudia; one grandchild.

Bernard Russell Weaver, 88, of Huntington Beach, a former salesman for Pitney Bowes, died Monday of natural causes.

Wilbur N. Weaver, 88, of Seal Beach, a retired sergeant for the Orange Police Department, died Sunday of natural causes. No services.

Survivors: wife, Neva; son, Larry; two grandchildren.

Clifford Whitaker, 68, of Orange, an electrician and drummer for the Villagers Polka Band, died Dec. 29 of a heart attack. Services: 2 p.m. Jan. 17, John Paul II Polish Center, Yorba Linda.

Survivors: wife, Sandra; son, Clifford II; daughters, Mary Kay Stiefel, Jennie Whitaker; four grandchildren.

Easter Lucille Work, 91, of Dana Point died Monday of natural causes. Visitation: 1-4 p.m. today, Hilgenfeld Mortuary, Anaheim. Services: noon Sunday, Melodyland Christian Center.

Survivors: daughters, Allene Wilkerson, Lois Williams; eight grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren.

Katherine Yarber, 82, of Santa Ana died Monday of a stroke. Services: 11 a.m. today, Brown Colonial Mortuary, Santa Ana.

Survivors: daughter, Daisy Lacy; two grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren.

Euphemia D. McTavish, 63, of Orange, a homemaker, died Dec. 27 of renal failure. Services: 11:30 a.m. today, St. Wilfrid's Episcopal Church, Huntington Beach.

Survivors: husband, James.

Michael Joseph Mulqueen Jr., 69, of Nevada and formerly of Stanton, died Wednesday of natural causes. Services: 1 p.m. today, Memory Garden Memorial Park, Brea.

Survivors: wife, Amelia; son, Michael III; daughters, Linda Simal, Eileen Ragan; sisters, Helen Hulsen, Alice Seyfried; eight grandchildren.

Judith Ellen Niles, 48, of Tustin, a certified financial planner, died Sunday of natural causes. Services: 11 a.m. today, Crossroads Christian Church, Corona. Burial: 1 p.m. Monday, Santa Ana Cemetery.

Survivors: son, Raymond Blacketer; daughter, Shannon Blacketer; parents, Winifred and Raymond Porter; sisters, Beverly Wilder, Patty Porter; brother, James Porter.

Dan Pauna, 67, of Anaheim, a real estate investor and owner of Pauna Apartments, died Dec. 26. Services in Texas. Arrangements by Angelus Funeral Home, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Survivors: wife, Gloria; brother, Aurelian; sisters, Ana Ilinescu, Nela Georgescu, Georghita Pauna.

Iva T. Poiset, 90, of Orange died Sunday of natural causes. No services.

Survivors: sons, Lawrence, Harold, Donald; daughters, Carolyn, Sybil; brother, Donald Anderson; sister, Sybil Jennings; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

Robert Gerald Pulfer, 67, of Buena Park, an insurance agent, died Dec. 29 of cancer. Services: 2 p.m. today, Fullerton Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Survivors: wife, Donna; son, Robert Jr.; daughters, Brenda Cooper, Sandra Moore, Susan Rankin; brother, John; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild.

Thad Roberts, 61, of Laguna Beach, a civil engineer for Roberts Associates of Laguna Beach, died Dec. 28 of heart failure.

Survivors: daughter, Ann.

Diane R. Rydbeck, 72, of San Clemente died Tuesday of natural causes.

Survivors: son, Jim; daughter, Judy Lydick; brothers, Bill and Bob Reordan; sister, Louise Andrews; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

Carl D. Schnute, 85, of Arizona and formerly of Anaheim, died Wednesday of natural causes. Services: 2 p.m. Sunday, Melrose Abbey Funeral Home, Anaheim.

Survivors: daughters, Gwendolyn Forest, Jeannette Byrd; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren.

Daisy L. Smith, 90, of Huntington Beach died Tuesday of natural causes. Services: 11 a.m. Tuesday, Community United Methodist Church,

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Compiled by Angela M. Williams

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