

under the circumstances, believes the settlement to be fair and equitable, and requests this Court's approval.

1. It appears to the Court, based upon the testimony and representations of the Petitioner and the recommendation of the Petitioner's counsel, that the settlement is fair and reasonable and in the best interest of Petitioner. Thus, the Court agrees and approves the settlement. The Petitioner is hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents to end this litigation and to release the Defendant.

2. Now, therefore, it is ordered, adjudged, and decreed that the Court hereby approves the settlement of this action as to the Defendant, the terms of the settlement having been presented to this Court and are confidential.

3. The Court has reviewed the disbursements proposed as presented to this court by Petitioner and counsel. The disbursements shall be confidential.

4. The Petitioner has retained the services of Raymond T. Wooten of Smith Jordan, P.A. as her legal counsel. The Petitioner has a contingency fee agreement to pay attorney's fees, with costs and/or litigation expenses. Petitioner agrees that she has reviewed these costs and fees with her counsel and believes them to be fair, necessary, and proper. The Court approves the litigation expenses and attorney's fees as outlined and presented to this court by Petitioner and her counsel.

5. The Petitioner has a duty and obligation to pay any outstanding bills, liens, and costs as set forth more fully in the settlement agreement.

6. The total amount to be paid to Petitioner, after payment and costs and attorney's fees, is confidential.

7. It is further ordered, adjudged, and decreed that this Court hereby authorizes and directs Stephanie Underwood, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Betty Herrington, upon receipt of the confidential amount for the settlement of the claims in this matter, to execute and deliver the necessary documents to release the Defendant from any and all claims of whatsoever nature and kind arising out of, or in any way connected with the care of Decedent. Upon the execution of such agreement, the Defendant shall be fully released from and protected against any and all claims, demands, causes of action, judgments or liability of whatsoever nature and kind in law or in equity arising out of or in any way connected with the alleged injuries to decedent.

8. Upon full consideration of this matter, it appears to the Court that the settlement as presented to the Court and in the Petition is fair and just and in the best interest of the parties. Accordingly, it is:

ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the full settlement proposed hereinabove and in the Petitioner's Petition is approved and that, upon payment of the amounts set forth therein as submitted to the Court *in camera*, the Petitioner, Stephanie Underwood, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Betty Herrington, is hereby authorized and directed to execute such documents as will effect Releases in favor of the Defendant, its insurers, heirs, executors, administrators, agents, servants, successors, and assigns from any and all claims or actions whatsoever arising out of the injuries to Betty Herrington.

Circuit Court Judge

Seneca, South Carolina

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