

1 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
 2 FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
 3 DEPARTMENT S09 HON. ANA MARIA LUNA, JUDGE

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5 IN RE THE MATTER OF:)
 6)
 7 CAVAN ARGILA CONSERVATORSHIP) SUPERIOR COURT
 8) CASE NO. 17STPB10142
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**CERTIFIED
TRANSCRIPT**

10 REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS
 11 APRIL 18, 2025
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9 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. ON THE RECORD ON THE
10 CONSERVATORSHIP OF CAVAN ARGILA, 17STPB10142.

11 I HAVE PRESENT IN THE COURTROOM, UTILIZING
12 TWO SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS, I HAVE CAVAN ARGILA.

13 I FORGET HOW WE TAKE APPEARANCES. DO YOU
14 HAVE THEIR INFORMATION?

15 THE JUDICIAL ASSISTANT: WE HAVE THEM, AND MIA
16 HAS THEM.

17 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE CAVAN'S FATHER,
18 CARL ARGILA, PRESENT IN THE COURTROOM AS WELL.

19 ON COURT CONNECT, WE HAVE COURT-APPOINTED
20 COUNSEL FOR CAVAN, MARY O'NEILL.

21 MS. O'NEILL, CAN YOU HEAR THE COURT?

22 MS. O'NEILL: MARY O'NEILL, COURT-APPOINTED
23 COUNSEL FOR CAVAN ARGILA.

24 THE COURT: MEREDITH NIXON?

25 MS. NIXON: YES, YOUR HONOR. MEREDITH NIXON,
26 ATTORNEY FOR THE CONSERVATOR, DEPARTMENT OF
27 DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES.

28 THE COURT: AND AARON ABRAMOWITZ.

1 MR. ABRAMOWITZ: YES, GOOD MORNING, YOUR HONOR.

2 AARON ABRAMOWITZ, ENRIGHT & OCHELTREE, FOR
3 THE SAN GABRIEL POMONA REGIONAL CENTER.

4 THE COURT: THE COURT HAD DONE AN EVIDENTIARY
5 HEARING ON REMOVAL OF THE DEPARTMENT AS CONSERVATOR,
6 WHICH WAS DENIED, BUT I DID SET AN OSCO FOR TODAY TO
7 CHECK IN ON, I THINK, CHANGES AND HAVING POTENTIAL FOR
8 MORE INDEPENDENT LIVING FOR CAVAN. I DIDN'T SEE A
9 REPORT IN THE FILE.

10 I WILL ADDRESS MS. O'NEILL'S REPORT. THAT
11 SEEMS TO BE A SEPARATE ISSUE.

12 BUT WHO WAS GOING TO GIVE ME THE UPDATE ON
13 WHERE WE STAND IN TERMS OF CAVAN BEING ASSESSED FOR AND
14 THERE BEING AVAILABLE MORE INDEPENDENT LIVING?

15 IS THAT YOU, MS. NIXON, OR MR. ARUMOWOT?

16 MR. ABRAMOWITZ: THAT IS ME, YOUR HONOR.

17 WE SUBMITTED A REPORT YESTERDAY. DON'T
18 KNOW IF IT HIT THE SYSTEM. REGARDLESS, I CAN SUMMARIZE
19 FOR THE COURT AS TO WHAT IS KIND OF GOING ON.

20 THE COURT: OKAY.

21 MR. ABRAMOWITZ: OUR CONVERSATIONS WITH CAVAN
22 ARE REALLY SPLIT AS TO WHETHER OR NOT HE ACTUALLY WANTS
23 TO MOVE OR WHETHER HE DOESN'T WANT TO MOVE. IT LARGELY
24 DEPENDS ON WHETHER OR NOT HIS FATHER, MR. ARGILA, IS
25 PRESENT. WHEN MR. ARGILA IS PRESENT, MR. ARGILA WILL
26 SAY, "YOU WANT TO MOVE? YOU WANT TO LIVE
27 INDEPENDENTLY?" CAVAN WILL AGREE. THE REGIONAL CENTER
28 SPEAKS WITH HIM SEPARATELY, WE ASK, "ARE YOU HAPPY WHERE

1 YOU ARE STAYING, DO YOU WANT TO MOVE?" HE SAYS, "I'M
2 HAPPY WHERE I AM. I DON'T WANT TO MOVE."

3 SO ONE OF THE THINGS THAT THE REGIONAL
4 CENTER HAS BEEN DOING IS LOOKING TO INCREASE HIS
5 INDEPENDENCE SO THAT HE CAN MAKE THAT STEP WHEN HE IS
6 READY. NEITHER THE PROFESSIONALS AT REGIONAL CENTERS,
7 NOR THE PROFESSIONALS IN THE HOME WHERE HE CURRENTLY IS
8 RESIDING, THINK HE HAS WHEREWITHAL TO LIVE MORE
9 INDEPENDENTLY, REALLY LIVING IN HIS OWN APARTMENT, WHICH
10 IS REALLY WHAT HE WANTS, YET.

11 THE WORK HE IS DOING IS GREAT. IT IS
12 INCREASING HIS INDEPENDENCE, IS GIVING HIM CASH FLOW,
13 AND SOMETHING TO DO WITH HIS TIME THAT HE LIKES DOING
14 AND THAT THEY LIKE HAVING HIM THERE.

15 AT PRESENT, HE IS WORKING FOR AN AMAZON
16 WAREHOUSE. THE WAY THAT IS BEING -- THE TRANSPORTATION
17 IS BEING FUNDED, THE HOME IS FUNDING FOR IT, THE
18 REGIONAL CENTER REIMBURSES THE HOME FOR IT.

19 WHAT THE PLAN IS, IS ONCE HE'S THROUGH HIS
20 TRAINING PROBATIONARY PERIOD, THAT HE THEN BE ABLE TO
21 SWITCH TO A CLOSER WAREHOUSE WHERE HE CURRENTLY LIVES.

22 THE COURT: THE DISTANCE RIGHT NOW IS ABOUT HOW
23 MUCH IN TERMS OF MILES?

24 MR. ABRAMOWITZ: I THINK IT IS ABOUT AN HOUR
25 EACH WAY.

26 THE COURT: OKAY.

27 MR. ABRAMOWITZ: AND THIS IS A POSITION CAVAN
28 FOUND WITH HIS SUPPORT HELP, THE AMAZON WAREHOUSE JOB.

1 HE PREVIOUSLY HAD A SIMILAR JOB, BUT IT WAS TIME
2 LIMITED. HE SITS DOWN WITH THE SAME ORGANIZATION AND
3 FOUND ANOTHER JOB. HE HAS SEVERAL DEAF COLLEAGUES THAT
4 HE SIGNS WORK, THAT HE WORKS WITH. HE IS ABLE TO
5 NAVIGATE THE JOB WITHOUT ANY ASSISTANCE FROM THE
6 REGIONAL CENTER. HE DOESN'T HAVE AN OFFSITE JOB COACH
7 OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT. ALL REPORTS WE RECEIVE FROM THIS
8 PROFESSIONALLY ARE REALLY GOOD.

9 THE COURT: THAT IS TERRIFIC.

10 MR. ABRAMOWITZ: SOME OF THE CONCERNS THAT WE
11 HAVE THAT I KNOW THAT MR. ARGILA HAS REGARDING CAVAN'S
12 WEIGHT AND HIS HEALTH. SOME OF THE ISSUES, THE MAIN
13 REASONS WE DON'T BELIEVE, THE REGIONAL CENTER AND THE
14 HOME, DOESN'T BELIEVE HE IS CURRENTLY READY IS THAT HE
15 STILL DOES NOT MAKE HEALTHY EATING DECISIONS WITH HIS
16 OWN THOUGHTS. IF HE WERE TO MOVE TO A MORE INDEPENDENT
17 SETTING, HE WOULD THEN HAVE MORE FREEDOM TO EAT WHATEVER
18 HE WANTS, WHENEVER HE WANTS TO.

19 AT THE HOME, THERE ARE SOME CONTROLS
20 REGARDING WHAT THE HOME CAN MAKE HIM, WHAT THE HOME
21 PROVIDES TO HIM, BASED UPON INFORMATION PROVIDED FROM
22 HIS NUTRITIONIST AND HIS MEDICAL CONDITION. IF HE WERE
23 TO MOVE INTO THAT MORE INDEPENDENT SETTING, WHICH REALLY
24 FOR HIM IS LOOKING AT AN APARTMENT, THEN HE IS GOING TO
25 BE THE ONE THAT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL HIS OWN MEALS.
26 EVEN WITH SUPPORT, THE LIVING IN THE APARTMENT, HE WOULD
27 BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING SURE HE HAS GROCERIES AND EVEN
28 WITH SUPPORT, THEY WOULD HELP HIM MAKE A GROCERY LIST

1 AND TAKE HIM SHOPPING, BUT HE WOULD BE THE ONE
2 ULTIMATELY RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING THOSE THINGS FOR
3 HIMSELF.

4 THE HOME, THEY DO GROCERY SHOPPING AND FOOD
5 PREP FOR HIM AND HELP HIM MAKE HEALTHIER EATING
6 DECISIONS. SO IT IS THAT ADDITIONAL FREEDOM THAT
7 EVERYONE IS HESITANT TO JUMP TO.

8 THE COURT: TOO QUICKLY.

9 MR. ABRAMOWITZ: TOO QUICKLY, BUT THAT IT IS A
10 GOAL. THERE WAS AN IPP MEETING THAT WAS HELD A COUPLE
11 OF DAYS AGO AND ONE OF THE LONG-TERM GOALS OF THE IPP IS
12 TO LIVE INDEPENDENTLY, SO WE'RE WORKING ON SKILLS HE
13 NEEDS, INCLUDING HEALTHY EATING, SUFFICIENT EXERCISE,
14 YOU KNOW, OUTSIDE OF WHAT HE IS GETTING AT WORK, WHICH I
15 UNDERSTAND IS VERY PHYSICAL. BUT JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT
16 HE IS ACTIVE ENOUGH AND THAT HE IS FEEDING THE MACHINE
17 OF HIS BODY AND NOT EATING TO SUPPLEMENT OR TAKE THE
18 PLACE OF ANY OTHER ADDICTIVE TENDENCIES HE MAY HAVE.

19 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. I WAS GOING TO ASK, THE
20 IPP MEETING SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 15TH OCCURRED?

21 MR. ABRAMOWITZ: IT DID OCCUR. IT OCCURRED.
22 OUR UNDERSTANDING IS CARL DID NOT RECORD IT. I WROTE
23 HIM AN E-MAIL EARLIER THIS WEEK EXPLAINING THAT HE DOES
24 NOT HAVE PERMISSION TO RECORD IT. WHY HE DOESN'T HAVE
25 THAT PERMISSION AND WHAT THE LEGAL AUTHORITY WAS FOR HIM
26 TO NOT RECORD IT. HE DEEMED FIT TO POST MY LETTER TO
27 HIS WEBSITE.

28 I CAN ADDRESS SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WERE

1 BROUGHT UP IN MS. O'NEILL'S REPORT, IF THE COURT WANTS
2 TO GO THERE, OR IF THE COURT WANTS TO FINISH UP ON THIS
3 DISCUSSION FIRST AND THEN COME BACK TO THAT.

4 THE COURT: LET'S FINISH UP ON THE DISCUSSION
5 WITH REGARDS TO CHANGING THE LIVING ARRANGEMENTS FOR
6 CAVAN.

7 MS. O'NEILL, DO YOU WANT TO WEIGH ON ANY
8 ANYTHING AT THIS POINT ON THAT SUBJECT?

9 MS. O'NEILL: NO, AT THIS POINT, I THINK
10 MR. ABRAMOWITZ HAS STATED IT SUFFICIENTLY.

11 IT IS CERTAINLY A GOAL OF CAVAN'S AND IF WE
12 CAN GET HIM INTO A POSITION WHERE IT IS SAFE, WE ARE
13 HOPING TO DO SO.

14 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. I WILL GIVE YOU THE
15 OPPORTUNITY IF YOU WANT, MR. ARGILA, MR. CARL ARGILA, TO
16 TELL THE COURT ANYTHING WITH REGARDS TO CHANGING CAVAN'S
17 CURRENT LIVING ARRANGEMENTS.

18 MR. CARL ARGILA: YES, YOUR HONOR. THERE ARE
19 OTHER ISSUES, BUT FOCUSING SPECIFICALLY ON THAT, I WOULD
20 LIKE TO REMIND THE COURT THAT CAVAN LIVED INDEPENDENTLY
21 IN HIS OWN APARTMENT --

22 MS. O'NEILL: EXCUSE ME, YOUR HONOR, IF
23 MR. ARGILA CAN USE THE MICROPHONE.

24 THE COURT: YES.

25 MR. CARL ARGILA: YOUR HONOR, I WOULD LIKE TO
26 REMIND THE COURT THAT CAVAN LIVED INDEPENDENTLY IN HIS
27 OWN -- EXCUSE ME -- MY SON.

28 THE COURT: UNTIL ISSUES AROSE. I'M AWARE OF

1 THAT.

2 MR. CARL ARGILA: CAVAN IS ADMONISHING ME FOR
3 SPEAKING. I EXPLAINED TO HIM THAT THE JUDGE ASKED ME.

4 CAVAN HAS LIVED INDEPENDENTLY IN HIS OWN
5 APARTMENT FOR 14 YEARS, FROM APPROXIMATELY 2001 TO
6 FEBRUARY 1ST OF 2015. HE HAD ALL OF THE SKILLS THAT
7 WERE NECESSARY TO DO SO SUCCESSFULLY, INCLUDING REGIONAL
8 CENTER SUPPORT. AND ALL OF THAT ENDED ON FEBRUARY 1ST
9 OF 2015 WHEN HIS CASE WAS TRANSFERRED FROM FAMILY
10 PROVIDED CARE TO REGIONAL CENTER PROVIDED CARE.

11 YOUR HONOR, UNQUESTIONABLY, BY AN ORDER OF
12 MAGNITUDE, I COME HERE TODAY WITH THE MOST IMPORTANT
13 CRITICAL ISSUE FOR CAVAN, WHICH IS HIS HEALTH.

14 I BELIEVE CAVAN IS AT SEVERE MEDICAL RISK
15 FOR A CARDIAC EVENT. THIS IS NOT HYPERBOLE, YOUR HONOR,
16 WHEN I SAY THIS CONSERVATORSHIP IS A DEATH SENTENCE FOR
17 CAVAN. HE HAS THE OVERT SYMPTOMS OF STASIS DERMATITIS.

18 THE COURT: MR. ARGILA, WE HAVE GONE OVER THIS.
19 THIS IS THE BASIS OF YOU CHALLENGING THE --

20 MR. CARL ARGILA: YES, YOU ASKED.

21 THE COURT: I'M ONLY ASKING FOR YOUR THOUGHTS
22 WITH REGARDS TO -- OR ANYTHING YOU WANTED TO STATE WITH
23 REGARDS TO, NUMBER ONE, WHAT I HEARD FROM MR. ABRAMOWITZ
24 THAT CAVAN STATED A DECISION ABOUT WHETHER HE WANTS TO
25 CONTINUE LIVING WHERE HE IS AT OR LOOK TO LIVE MORE
26 INDEPENDENTLY DEPENDS WHO IS IN THE ROOM WITH HIM. THAT
27 IS NUMBER ONE I HEARD.

28 NUMBER TWO IS THAT CAVAN IS NOT QUITE READY

1 TO LIVE INDEPENDENTLY BECAUSE OF ISSUES CONCERNING DIET
2 AND CONCERNS THAT IF HE LIVED INDEPENDENTLY, MEANING
3 ALONE IN AN APARTMENT, HE WOULDN'T HAVE ANY SUPERVISION,
4 REALLY, TO THE TYPES OF MEALS THAT HE PREPARES OR TYPES
5 OF FOOD HE EATS. THERE IS SOME MEASURE OF OVERSIGHT IN
6 THE SETTING CAVAN IS LIVING NOW.

7 MR. CARL ARGILA: YOUR HONOR --

8 THE COURT: JUST ANYTHING YOU WANT TO SAY WITH
9 REGARDS TO --

10 MR. CARL ARGILA: IF CAVAN LIVED INDEPENDENTLY,
11 AS HE DID FOR ALL THOSE YEARS, HE WOULD HAVE THE SAME
12 SUPPORT THAT HE HAS NOW. THERE WOULD BE REGIONAL CENTER
13 AND IN-HOME SUPPORT SERVICES STAFF THAT PROVIDE THE SAME
14 SHOPPING ASSISTANCE, MEAL PREPARATION ASSISTANCE, ET
15 CETERA.

16 THREE DAYS AGO, YOUR HONOR, WE CONDUCTED
17 THAT IPP MEETING. AND CAVAN WAS ADAMANT AT THAT TIME
18 THAT HE WAS NOT SATISFIED WITH THE CURRENT LIVING
19 ARRANGEMENT. THAT HAS BEEN MISREPORTED BY
20 MR. ABRAMOWITZ. AND YESTERDAY, HE SUBMITTED A REPORT
21 YESTERDAY, AND THAT WAS MISREPORTED BY MR. ABRAMOWITZ IN
22 YESTERDAY'S REPORT.

23 BUT, YOUR HONOR, MY SON IS VERY ARTICULATE
24 IN COMMUNICATING WITH YOU.

25 THE COURT: I WILL GET TO HIM IN A MINUTE. I
26 WANTED HIM TO HEAR WHAT EVERYONE ELSE SAID.

27 MR. CARL ARGILA: I HAVE OTHER ISSUES. BUT I
28 WILL DEPEND UPON YOUR HONOR TO CALL UPON ME WHEN YOU

1 WANT TO HEAR FROM ME.

2 THE COURT: I'M NOT SURE I WILL GET VERY MUCH
3 MORE INTO OTHER ISSUES, BECAUSE IT SOUNDS LIKE IT
4 CIRCLES BACK TO THE ISSUES THAT WERE ALREADY RAISED.

5 MR. CARL ARGILA: WOULD YOUR HONOR PERMIT ME TO
6 MENTION THAT I HAVE ASKED THE REGIONAL CENTER FOR COPIES
7 OF MY SON'S HEALTH RECORDS. BECAUSE I WANT TO ASSESS
8 AND GET AN INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT OF MY SON'S CARDIAC
9 CONDITION.

10 THE COURT: I DON'T KNOW THAT YOU ARE ENTITLED
11 TO THAT. YOU ARE NOT THE CONSERVATOR.

12 MR. CARL ARGILA: OKAY. THEN IT IS YOUR CALL,
13 YOUR HONOR. HOWEVER --

14 THE COURT: IT REALLY ISN'T. THERE IS HIPAA,
15 THERE'S ALL KINDS OF PROTECTIONS FOR CAVAN'S PERSONAL
16 RECORDS.

17 MR. CARL ARGILA: CAVAN HAS CONSENTED THAT I
18 REVIEW HIS MEDICAL RECORDS, AND I WANT TO HAVE HIS
19 MEDICAL RECORDS REVIEWED BY EXPERTS IN THE VARIOUS
20 MEDICAL SPECIALTIES THAT CONCERN ME.

21 THE SERVICE COORDINATOR AT THE REGIONAL
22 CENTER AGREED TO PROVIDE ME THOSE RECORDS, BUT THEY HAVE
23 NOT -- I HAVE NOT RECEIVED THOSE RECORDS YET. SO IT'S
24 UP TO YOUR HONOR TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT CAVAN HAS
25 THE RIGHT TO CONSENT THAT I REVIEW HIS MEDICAL RECORDS.

26 I BELIEVE THAT THE CURRENT MEDICAL SUPPORT
27 THAT CAVAN IS RECEIVING, WHICH HAS PRODUCED, THE CAVAN
28 THAT IS SITTING BEFORE YOU TODAY, IS A DEATH SENTENCE

1 FOR MY SON.

2 THE COURT: WE HAD THIS DISCUSSION, MR. ARGILA,
3 AND IF CAVAN WAS NOT A REGIONAL CENTER CLIENT, IF CAVAN
4 WAS NOT UNDER A CONSERVATORSHIP, AND CAVAN WANTED TO EAT
5 DING DONGS AND DONUTS AND HOT DOGS AND CHEESEBURGERS,
6 THERE IS NOTHING ANYBODY COULD DO TO PREVENT HIM FROM
7 DOING THAT.

8 SO YOU KEEP -- I'M NOT SAYING YOU DON'T
9 HAVE YOUR SON'S BEST INTEREST AT HEART, BUT HE IS AN
10 INDIVIDUAL. HE IS CAPABLE OF, TO SOME DEGREE, CONVEYING
11 HIS DESIRES, HIS WISHES. HE UNDERSTANDS YOUR CONCERN.
12 HE'S HEARD IT LOUD AND CLEAR. I THINK THE LAST TIME HE
13 SHARED HE ACTUALLY DROPPED SOME WEIGHT AND HE WAS PROUD
14 OF THAT.

15 AGAIN, I'M NOT SURE WHAT YOU EXPECT THE
16 COURT TO GIVE YOU, AND EVEN IF THE COURT DID GIVE IT TO
17 YOU, WHAT YOU COULD DO WITH THAT INFORMATION. SO YOU
18 GET THE MEDICAL RECORDS. YOU HAVE THEM ASSESSED BY SOME
19 SORT OF AN EXPERT. THEY GIVE YOU A FOOD PLAN AND
20 EXERCISE PLAN AND ALL THAT. YOU CAN'T MAKE CAVAN DO
21 SOMETHING HE DOESN'T WANT TO DO.

22 CAVAN CAN BE MOTIVATED ON HIS OWN. HE
23 UNDERSTANDS EVERYBODY'S CONCERN. HE UNDERSTANDS WHAT IT
24 IS TO -- WHAT IT TAKES TO DROP THE WEIGHT, TAKE IN LESS
25 CALORIES, EXPEND MORE. HE IS NOT UNSOPHISTICATED IN
26 THAT SENSE. BUT I THINK THE MORE YOU KIND OF HAMMER AND
27 HAMMER ON HIS WEIGHT ISSUE, THE MORE YOU MAKE IT HARDER
28 FOR HIM. I DON'T THINK YOU UNDERSTAND THAT.

1 MR. CARL ARGILA: I THINK YOU ARE INCORRECT IN
2 THIS AREA, YOUR HONOR.

3 THE COURT: WELL, I'M NOT HERE TO HAVE A LONG
4 DISCUSSION ON WEIGHT LOSS OR ANYTHING ALONG THOSE LINES.

5 GETTING TO YOUR ISSUE OF THE INDEPENDENT
6 LIVING, IT HAS BEEN ABOUT 10 YEARS SINCE CAVAN HAS LIVED
7 ON HIS OWN. SO IT IS SORT OF LIKE A FRESH START, IN
8 TERMS OF SEEING WHETHER HE IS READY, WHETHER HE IS
9 CAPABLE. AND, FRANKLY, WHETHER HE WANTS TO DO THAT,
10 LIVE INDEPENDENTLY ON HIS OWN IN AN APARTMENT. AND, IF
11 SO, WHAT KIND OF STEPS WOULD HAVE TO BE TAKEN TO GET HIM
12 TO THAT POINT.

13 SO, CAVAN, CAN I HEAR FROM YOU FIRST ABOUT
14 WHAT IS GOING ON WITH YOU GENERALLY THESE DAYS? HOW YOU
15 FEEL ABOUT WHERE YOU ARE LIVING, AND WHAT YOU WOULD LIKE
16 TO SEE IN TERMS OF CHANGING WHERE YOU ARE LIVING?

17 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: I'M DOING REALLY WELL. I'M
18 WORKING VERY HARD AT AMAZON. I GOT PROMOTED. I'M A
19 MANAGER NOW. JUST LAST WEEK I WAS PROMOTED. AND IN
20 TERMS OF DIET, I HAVE BEEN EATING WELL. I'M EATING
21 SHRIMP. I LEARNED HOW TO COOK SHRIMP. I LEARNED TO DO
22 THAT ON MY OWN.

23 MS. NIXON: YOUR HONOR, CAN YOU ASK THE
24 INTERPRETER TO PUT HIS MICROPHONE ON.

25 THE COURT: SURE.

26 MS. NIXON: THANK YOU.

27 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: ALSO, MARY KNOWS THAT I
28 EVENTUALLY WANT TO BE INDEPENDENT, SO SHE KNOWS. MARY

1 KNOWS MY GOAL IS TO BE INDEPENDENT.

2 MARY, AM I RIGHT?

3 MS. O'NEILL: (SHAKING HEAD.)

4 THE COURT: MS. O'NEILL, YOU ARE UNDERSTANDING
5 IN YOUR COMMUNICATIONS WITH YOUR CLIENT?

6 MS. O'NEILL: YES, I WAS SHAKING MY HEAD. I
7 DIDN'T KNOW IF YOU WANTED ME TO RESPOND AUDIBLY.

8 CAVAN AND I TALKED ABOUT THAT.

9 THE COURT: GO AHEAD, CAVAN.

10 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: YES, JUST LAST TUESDAY I TOLD
11 HER, AND THAT WAS AT THE IPP MEETING. I TOLD HER MY
12 GOAL IS TO BE INDEPENDENT EVENTUALLY, AND THAT IS IT.

13 THE COURT: AND IN TERMS OF LIVING WHERE YOU ARE
14 NOW, ARE YOU FEELING ANY MORE CONNECTED TO OTHER PEOPLE
15 THAT LIVE THERE, OR IS IT STILL THE SAME AS WHEN YOU
16 WERE LAST IN COURT?

17 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: YOU KNOW, I PREFER BEING
18 ALONE, SO NOT HAVING A LOT OF ROOMMATES IS GOOD FOR ME.
19 BUT IT'S NOT EASY GETTING ALONG WITH EVERYBODY IN THERE.
20 IT'S NOT THE EASIEST, JUST MAKING DUE.

21 THE COURT: YOU DON'T FEEL LIKE YOU ARE --

22 THE INTERPRETER: ONE MOMENT FOR THE
23 INTERPRETERS, YOUR HONOR.

24 THE COURT: SURE. I'M LOOKING BACK AT MY NOTES
25 FROM WHEN YOU WERE LAST IN COURT. YOU SAID YOU WERE
26 VERY COMFORTABLE IN YOUR ROOM; THAT YOU FIND YOURSELF
27 BEING ANNOYED WHEN YOU COME OUT OF THE ROOM. I THOUGHT
28 THERE WAS MAYBE ONE RESIDENT THAT YOU GOT ALONG WITH A

1 LITTLE BIT. YOU REFERRED TO HER AS BEING AN OLDER
2 WOMAN, 66, WHICH HAPPENS TO BE MY AGE. BUT YOU GOT
3 ALONG WITH HER AND YOU EXCHANGED GIFTS AND DO PUZZLES
4 TOGETHER.

5 IS SHE STILL IN THE RESIDENCE WITH YOU?

6 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: YES, SHE IS.

7 THE COURT: YOU ARE COMFORTABLE STAYING WHERE
8 YOU ARE FOR NOW. YOU SEEM TO HAVE AN IDEA AS TO WHEN
9 YOU WOULD BE INDEPENDENT ENOUGH TO TRANSITION TO LIVING
10 ON YOUR OWN IN AN APARTMENT.

11 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: YES. YES, I THINK SO.

12 THE COURT: IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WANT TO
13 TELL ME AT THIS TIME, CAVAN?

14 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: NO. EVERYTHING IS GOOD.

15 THE COURT: BEFORE I CIRCLE BACK ON AN ISSUE
16 THAT WAS RAISED BY MS. O'NEILL AND HEARING FROM THE
17 OTHERS, CAN YOU TELL ME YOUR FEELINGS AND THOUGHTS ABOUT
18 HAVING THE IPP MEETINGS RECORDED?

19 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: WELL, THAT ARGUMENT WAS
20 BETWEEN MY DAD AND REGIONAL CENTER, I JUST DIDN'T PAY
21 ATTENTION TO IT. IT IS NOT MY ISSUE. I'M NOT INVOLVED
22 WITH THAT. IT IS BETWEEN THEM. THAT IS NOT MY PROBLEM.

23 THE COURT: WELL, YES, IT IS.

24 MR. ABRAMOWITZ: YOUR HONOR, IF I --

25 THE COURT: IF I JUST ASK THE QUESTION. DO YOU
26 MIND HAVING THE MEETINGS RECORDED?

27 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: I DON'T MIND, BUT MARY SAID
28 NO.

1 MR. ABRAMOWITZ: YOUR HONOR, IF I MAY, JUST VERY
2 QUICKLY. IT IS NOT THAT THE OBJECTION IS -- THE MEETING
3 IS NOT TO BE RECORDED.

4 THE COURT: IT IS THE PUBLISHING.

5 MR. ABRAMOWITZ: IT IS THE PUBLISHING OF THEM.
6 SO WHAT WE HAVE OFFERED, MS. O'NEILL OFFERED TO RECORD
7 THE MEETINGS. THAT IF CAVAN WANTS IT FOR ANY PURPOSE,
8 SHE CAN ASSIST HIM WITH IT. THE ISSUE IS, WHEN
9 MR. ARGILA RECORDS THESE THINGS, HE RECORDS THEM WITH
10 VIDEO AND POSTS THEM TO HIS WEBSITE.

11 MS. NIXON: YOUR HONOR, JUST SO IT IS CLEAR,
12 SINCE MR. ARGILA STATED DDS NEVER OBJECTED TO THIS, WE
13 HAVE ALL OBJECTED TO THIS POSTING OF THE PRIVATE HEALTH
14 INFORMATION ON THE INTERNET MULTIPLE TIMES IN EVERY
15 COURT THAT WE HAVE APPEARED IN.

16 MR. ARGILA DOESN'T GIVE US ADVANCED WARNING
17 THAT HE'S GOING TO POST IT. SO IT IS NOT THAT WE CAN
18 TELL HIM IN ADVANCE, YOU KNOW. BUT WE TOLD HIM NUMEROUS
19 TIMES. AND IF THE COURT IS SO INCLINED, WE'LL ALSO ASK
20 FOR AN ORDER THAT HE REFRAIN FROM DOING THAT AND REMOVE
21 PRIOR RECORDINGS FROM HIS WEBSITE. NONE OF THOSE
22 RECORDINGS HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED TO BE PUBLISHED, AND IT
23 VIOLATES CAVAN'S PRIVATE INFORMATION.

24 THE COURT: OKAY.

25 MR. CARL ARGILA: I ASSUME YOUR HONOR WILL ASK
26 FOR MY COMMENTS.

27 THE COURT: TECHNICALLY, THAT IS NOT AN ISSUE
28 BEFORE ME. BUT I MAY AS WELL DEAL WITH IT WHILE YOU ARE

1 HERE, INCLUDING CAVAN.

2 ALL RIGHT. GO AHEAD, MR. ARGILA.

3 MR. CARL ARGILA: YES, YOUR HONOR. LET ME START
4 OUT BY SAYING THAT THERE ARE LITERALLY THOUSANDS OF
5 CLIENTS IDENTICAL TO CAVAN WHO ARE LIVING DEAD-END LIVES
6 IN GROUP HOMES ALL OVER THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA UNDER
7 THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES.

8 THE COURT: THAT IS AN OPINION. GO AHEAD.

9 MR. CARL ARGILA: I HAVE GIVEN CAVAN A MUCH
10 BETTER LIFE BECAUSE MY OBJECTIVE IS THAT CAVAN ACHIEVE
11 HIS LIFE POTENTIAL BY BRINGING THAT AGENCY'S ACTIONS TO
12 PUBLIC ATTENTION.

13 THE COURT: BUT YOU ARE DOING THAT BY PUBLISHING
14 PRIVATE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR SON.

15 MR. CARL ARGILA: ALL OF IT, TO MY KNOWLEDGE,
16 ALL OF THE INFORMATION I PUBLISHED IS, FIRST OF ALL,
17 IT'S ALL DONE WITH CAVAN'S CONSENT, AND SECONDLY, THERE
18 ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON WHAT I PUBLISHED.

19 THE COURT: I DON'T KNOW IF HE CAN GIVE CONSENT
20 WHEN HE IS UNDER CONSERVATORSHIP.

21 MR. CARL ARGILA: I'M SORRY. WOULD YOU REPEAT
22 THAT ONE MORE TIME?

23 THE COURT: HOW CAN YOU GET CONSENT FROM CAVAN
24 WHEN IS HE UNDER A CONSERVATORSHIP. IT SEEMS THE
25 CONSERVATOR WOULD HAVE TO GIVE THAT CONSENT.

26 MR. CARL ARGILA: YOUR HONOR, I HAVE ONLY
27 RECEIVED ONE OBJECTION OVER ALL OF THESE YEARS FROM
28 MR. ABRAMOWITZ, AND THAT WAS FOUR DAYS AGO, AND I

1 HONORED HIS REQUEST.

2 IF REGIONAL CENTER OR MR. ABRAMOWITZ OR ANY
3 OTHER PERSON WANTS ANY MATERIAL REMOVED FROM MY BLOG --
4 MY BLOG IS A VERY MATURE BLOG, AND I'M A RATHER
5 EXPERIENCED BLOGGER. THE BLOG HAS BEEN UP FOR 10 YEARS.
6 IT WILL BE 10 YEARS IN JULY.

7 THEY CONTACT MY BLOG. THEY CONTACT ME.
8 THEY INDICATE WHAT AREA NEEDS TO BE CHANGED. I HAVE ON
9 ONE OCCASION, AT THE REQUEST OF SOMEONE WHO APPEARED IN
10 MY BLOG, ANONYMIZED THEIR APPEARANCE.

11 MY BLOG HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THE ELECTRONIC
12 FRONTIER FOUNDATION. MY BLOG HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THE
13 FIRST AMENDMENT COALITION.

14 IN ONE CASE, THE ELECTRONIC FRONTIER
15 FOUNDATION FILED A COMPLAINT AGAINST DDS FOR BLOCKING MY
16 BLOG ON THE DEPARTMENT'S COMPUTERS. THE ULTIMATE
17 RESOLUTION OF THAT IS THAT MY BLOG IS NOW AVAILABLE ON
18 DDS COMPUTERS.

19 THE COURT: MY CONCERN IS NOT WHETHER YOUR BLOG
20 GETS TRACTION ON THE INTERNET OR NOT. MY CONCERN IS
21 HAVING CAVAN'S PERSONAL AND PRIVATE INFORMATION OBTAINED
22 IN THE DISCUSSIONS IN THESE IPP MEETINGS PUT UP ON THE
23 INTERNET.

24 I DON'T CARE HOW SECURE THE INTERNET SITE
25 IS, YOUR BLOG, WHO YOU LET IN OR NOT, IS HAVING THAT
26 INFORMATION PUBLISHED. IT SOUNDS TO ME LIKE YOU ARE
27 WILLING TO TAKE DOWN ANY RECORDINGS OF THOSE IPP
28 MEETINGS?

1 MR. CARL ARGILA: RECORDINGS WILL BE ANONYMIZED.

2 THE COURT: WELL, THAT IS NOT ENOUGH. YOU WILL
3 HAVE TO TAKE THEM DOWN.

4 MR. CARL ARGILA: YOUR HONOR, IF YOU WILL ISSUE
5 AN ORDER, HOWEVER YOU PHRASE IT, TO TAKE DOWN
6 INFORMATION FROM MY BLOG -- FIRST OF ALL, OBVIOUSLY, I'M
7 COMPELLED TO OBEY YOUR ORDERS. BUT I WILL ASSURE THAT
8 YOUR ORDERS ARE REVIEWED BY THE ELECTRONIC FRONTIER
9 FOUNDATION AND THE FIRST AMENDMENT COALITION. I
10 APOLOGIZE, THAT MAKES THIS CONFRONTATIONAL. AND THEN IN
11 PLACE OF THE BLOG, WILL BE YOUR ORDER. BECAUSE OUR
12 COMMUNITY AND THE PUBLIC HAVE A RIGHT TO KNOW WHAT THIS
13 AGENCY HAS DONE TO MY SON'S LIFE.

14 THE COURT: YOU CAN HAVE DISCUSSIONS, YOU JUST
15 CAN'T RELY ON THE RECORDINGS. THERE IS NOTHING IN
16 WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE SECTION 4646.6 THAT EVEN
17 ALLOWS FOR THE PUBLISHING OF ANY RECORDING OF AN
18 INDIVIDUAL PROGRAM PLAN MEETING.

19 MR. CARL ARGILA: 4646.6 IS PRECISELY CONCERNED
20 WITH RECORDING.

21 THE COURT: IT ALLOWS FOR RECORDING, I GRANT YOU
22 THAT. IT LOOKS LIKE YOU HAVE STANDING TO MAKE THAT
23 REQUEST, IF YOU GIVE THE APPROPRIATE NOTICE. BUT IT
24 DOES NOT GO SO FAR TO SAY THAT YOU CAN USE IT FOR ANY
25 PURPOSE, INCLUDING PUBLISHING IT ON THE INTERNET.

26 MR. CARL ARGILA: THAT IS A DETERMINATION THAT
27 WOULD BE MADE UNDER OTHER REGULATIONS AND YOUR HONOR.

28 HOWEVER, TO DATE, YOUR HONOR, BECAUSE

1 MR. ABRAMOWITZ HAS MADE A NUMBER OF FALSE AND MISLEADING
2 STATEMENTS IN THE REPORT HE FILED JUST YESTERDAY.

3 HERE IS THE FACTS, YOUR HONOR: NO ONE FROM
4 THE REGIONAL CENTER HAS EVER CONTACTED ME AND SAID,
5 "YOUR BLOG POST OF JANUARY 23RD, 2018, OR WHATEVER,
6 CONTAINS INFORMATION WHICH WE BELIEVE CANNOT BE
7 PUBLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE REGULATIONS. WOULD
8 YOU PLEASE REMOVE THAT INFORMATION." THAT SCENARIO HAS
9 NEVER TAKEN PLACE.

10 MR. ABRAMOWITZ' MEMO OF YESTERDAY STATES
11 THAT I HAVE FAILED TO RESPOND TO NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS.
12 THERE ARE NO SUCH NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS.

13 THE COURT: BUT I HAVE A REQUEST BY YOUR SON'S
14 ATTORNEY THAT THE ORDER BE MADE.

15 MR. CARL ARGILA: MS. O'NEILL -- WELL,
16 YOUR HONOR, THERE IS ANOTHER ISSUE THAT MS. O'NEILL IS
17 ACTING AS A REGIONAL CENTER ATTORNEY IN ORDERING --
18 MAKING ORDERS FOR AN IPP MEETING. THERE IS A LINE
19 BETWEEN HER ROLE AS MY SON'S ATTORNEY FOR PROBATE COURT
20 AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF REGIONAL CENTER SERVICES,
21 WHICH IS MR. ABRAMOWITZ' RESPONSIBILITY.

22 I HAVE MADE IN MY FILING WITH THIS COURT
23 THE OBSERVATION THAT SHE HAS VIOLATED, MS. O'NEILL HAS
24 VIOLATED THE ETHICAL CODE 1(A) REGARDING HER SCOPE --
25 I'M SORRY. I DON'T HAVE MY NOTES IN FRONT OF ME, BUT
26 YOU DO -- REGARDING HER SCOPE OF REPRESENTATION FOR MY
27 SON. SHE COMES INTO REGIONAL CENTER MEETINGS AND SHE
28 DICTATES TO REGIONAL CENTER EMPLOYEES AND ME IN A

1 FASHION WHICH IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH HER ROLE AS A
2 PROBATE COURT ATTORNEY.

3 YOUR HONOR, PLEASE GO AHEAD IF YOU HAVE
4 ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR ME.

5 THE COURT: NO. SO ARE YOU INDICATING IF THE
6 COURT MAKES AN ORDER, YOU WILL ABIDE BY THE COURT'S
7 ORDER AND TAKE DOWN THE RECORDINGS?

8 MR. CARL ARGILA: WHATEVER -- THE ANSWER IS YES,
9 YOUR HONOR, IF YOU WERE TO ISSUE A -- IF YOU WERE TO
10 ISSUE AN ORDER, MY FIRST STEP WOULD BE TO, IF I ASSUME
11 ANY ORDER HAS A TIMEFRAME INVOLVED, MY FIRST STEP IS TO
12 SEEK THE OPINION OF THE ELECTRONIC FRONTIER FOUNDATION
13 AND THE FIRST AMENDMENT COALITION --

14 THE COURT: I'M ONLY ASKING IF YOU WILL COMPLY.

15 MR. CARL ARGILA: -- AND THEN FOLLOW YOUR ORDER
16 ACCORDINGLY. BUT ASSURE THAT YOUR ORDER, WHICH IT IS,
17 OF COURSE, IS A PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE, BECAUSE THIS CASE --
18 YOUR HONOR, MY BLOG IS FOLLOWED BY 394 PERSONS, MAYBE 25
19 TO 30 PERCENT ARE DDS EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING
20 MR. ABRAMOWITZ, WHO IS ONE OF MY BLOG FOLLOWERS. THOSE
21 PEOPLE HAVE AN INTEREST IN WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO MY SON'S
22 LIFE UNDER THE CARE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL
23 SERVICES.

24 I WILL KEEP THEM INFORMED, IN ONE WAY OR
25 ANOTHER, BECAUSE THAT IS HOW I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PROTECT
26 MY SON, AND WHY WE ARE HERE TODAY, AND WHY CAVAN HAS A
27 JOB AND WHY WE ARE TALKING ABOUT TRANSITIONING CAVAN, ET
28 CETERA, ET CETERA, ET CETERA, ET CETERA.

1 NONE OF THOSE ACTIONS, NONE OF THOSE
2 CONVERSATIONS HAPPENED FOR MOST OTHER REGIONAL CENTER
3 CLIENTS WHO ARE IN WHAT I REFER TO AS DEAD-END LIVING IN
4 GROUP HOMES.

5 THE COURT: OKAY. ALL RIGHT. I THINK WE HAVE
6 DEALT WITH THE ISSUE YOU RAISED IN YOUR REPORT,
7 MS. O'NEILL. SO THE COURT WILL CRAFT LANGUAGE AND PUT
8 IT INTO THE MINUTE ORDER AS TO THE USE OF ANY RECORDINGS
9 THAT ARE MADE PURSUANT TO WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE
10 SECTION 4646.6 OF THE IPP MEETINGS INVOLVING CAVAN.

11 MR. CARL ARGILA: PLEASE KEEP IN MIND,
12 YOUR HONOR, THAT I, PERSONALLY, DO HAVE FIRST AMENDMENT
13 RIGHTS.

14 THE COURT: NOTED.

15 MR. CARL ARGILA: THANK YOU.

16 MS. NIXON: YOUR HONOR, I DON'T KNOW IF THE
17 COURT IS AWARE OF WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE 4514
18 WHICH LISTS, YOU KNOW, NUMEROUS WAYS IN WHICH SERVICE
19 RECORDS OF CONSUMERS ARE CONFIDENTIAL.

20 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. I WASN'T. I
21 WILL LOOK AT THAT.

22 FINISHING UP ON MS. O'NEILL'S REPORT.

23 MS. O'NEILL: YOUR HONOR, CAN I MAKE ONE
24 COMMENT?

25 THE COURT: GO AHEAD.

26 MS. O'NEILL: I APOLOGIZE.

27 BECAUSE THE COURT MAINTAINS THAT MR. ARGILA
28 COULD RECORD. I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THAT IS CORRECT.

1 MR. ARGILA WOULD LIKE TO RECORD CAVAN ARGILA, NOT ANYONE
2 ELSE. I RECOGNIZE IN THE CODE SECTION THAT IT REFERS TO
3 PARENTS. HOWEVER, BECAUSE CAVAN IS UNDER
4 CONSERVATORSHIP AND IS NOT A MINOR, THE ONLY LOGICAL
5 INTERPRETATION OF THAT SECTION WOULD BE THAT, YOU KNOW,
6 THE PARENTS OF AN ADULT IS NOT SOMEONE WHO IS ENTITLED
7 TO RECORDING. THE RIGHT TO RECORDING IS ONLY FOR
8 REFERENCES TO CAVAN WHEN HE GIVES CONSENT FOR SOMEONE TO
9 RECORD ON HIS BEHALF.

10 MR. CARL ARGILA: THERE IS ONE SECTION IN 4646.6
11 WHICH MS. O'NEILL IS REFERRING TO AND WHICH I REVIEWED
12 LAST NIGHT. THAT SENTENCE VERY CLEARLY STATES "PARENT,
13 "GUARDIAN," ET CETERA, ET CETERA, ET CETERA,
14 "CONSERVATOR, CLIENT," ET CETERA. SO THE PARENT HAS THE
15 SAME RIGHTS AS THE CONSERVATOR, AS THAT SENTENCE, I
16 BELIEVE, SHOULD BE INTERPRETED IN 4646.6.

17 THE COURT: WELL, NOW THAT MS. O'NEILL POINTS
18 OUT THE WORDING ON IT, I DISAGREE WITH YOUR
19 INTERPRETATION. IT WOULD BE THE CONSUMER, WHICH IS
20 CAVAN. IF HE WERE UNDER THE AGE OF 18, HIS OR HER
21 PARENTS, GUARDIAN, CONSERVATOR, OR OTHER AUTHORIZED
22 REPRESENTATIVE.

23 CAVAN IS UNDER A CONSERVATORSHIP, SO THE
24 DEPARTMENT HAS TO GIVE CONSENT AT THIS POINT. YOU MAY
25 NOT -- I STAND CORRECTED, YOU MAY NOT HAVE STANDING
26 REALLY TO INVOKE 4646.6.

27 MR. CARL ARGILA: I ASSUME THAT WILL BE
28 CLARIFIED IN YOUR ORDER, YOUR HONOR.

1 THE COURT: TO THE EXTENT THAT I FEEL LIKE I
2 NEED TO GIVE MY INTERPRETATION FOR 4646.6.

3 ALL RIGHT. IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE --
4 MS. O'NEILL, YOU HAD GIVEN ME YOUR FEE REQUEST FOR THE
5 PERIOD OF JUNE 30TH, 2021, THROUGH FEBRUARY 28TH, 2025.
6 I WILL TAKE CARE OF THAT AT THIS POINT.

7 YOU HAD A CHANGE IN COUNTY RATES APPROVED
8 FOR \$15,480 FOR YOUR SERVICES IN THIS MATTER FOR THAT
9 PERIOD OF TIME, PAYABLE TO THE COUNTY PACE PROGRAM. YOU
10 ARE NOT DISCHARGED. YOU REMAIN AS CAC IN THIS MATTER.

11 I DON'T KNOW IF THERE IS ANYTHING ELSE THAT
12 WAS CALENDERED FOR TODAY THAT I NEED TO HANDLE.

13 I WILL JUST ASK MR. ABRAMOWITZ, IS THERE
14 ANYTHING ELSE YOU WANTED ADDRESSED ON THE RECORD?

15 MR. ABRAMOWITZ: NO, NOTHING FURTHER, YOUR
16 HONOR. THANK YOU.

17 THE COURT: MS. NIXON?

18 MS. NIXON: NO, YOUR HONOR. THANK YOU.

19 THE COURT: MS. O'NEILL?

20 MS. O'NEILL: NO, YOUR HONOR. THANK YOU.

21 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT.

22 MR. CARL ARGILA: YOUR HONOR, I DO HAVE AN
23 ADDITIONAL ITEM THAT I NEED TO BRING TO THE ATTENTION OF
24 THE COURT.

25 THE COURT: GO AHEAD.

26 MR. CARL ARGILA: THE DEPARTMENT OF
27 DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES AND, I OPINE, AS A RESULT OF THE
28 PUBLIC ATTENTION WHICH I HAVE BROUGHT TO CAVAN'S CASE

1 OVER A PERIOD OF YEARS, THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL
2 SERVICES HAS RECENTLY INSTITUTED A POLICY REGARDING THE
3 MANAGEMENT OF DELEGATED CONSERVATORSHIPS, AND THEY HAD A
4 FORMAL PROCESS BY WHICH EACH REGIONAL CENTER WOULD
5 PUBLISH -- I'M SAYING REGULATIONS, BUT I DON'T HAVE A
6 BETTER WORD -- WOULD PUBLISH A POLICY IN WHICH REGIONAL
7 CENTER CLIENTS CONSERVED BY DDS WOULD BE REGIONAL CENTER
8 SUPERVISED, IF THAT IS THE RIGHT WORD, BY SOMETHING
9 CALLED AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE.

10 YOUR HONOR MAY BE UNFAMILIAR WITH THIS, BUT
11 I WANT TO ALERT YOUR HONOR THAT THIS IS A VERY BIG DEAL.
12 THE COURT: OKAY.

13 MR. CARL ARGILA: IT MEANS THAT EVERY REGIONAL
14 CENTER WITH A CONSERVED CLIENT MUST HAVE A PERSON
15 SEPARATE FROM CASE MANAGEMENT WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR
16 OVERSEEING THE CONSERVATOR IN THAT REGIONAL CENTER.

17 THE COURT: STOP RIGHT THERE. STOP RIGHT THERE.
18 STOP RIGHT THERE SO WE CAN SWITCH INTERPRETERS.

19 MR. CARL ARGILA: I'M NOT UNDERSTANDING YOU.

20 THE COURT: I NEED TO STOP TO SWITCH THE
21 INTERPRETERS.

22 MR. CARL ARGILA: THAT PERSON HAS NOW BEEN
23 ASSIGNED. THIS IS QUITE RECENT, YOUR HONOR, SINCE WE
24 WERE HERE LAST. THAT PERSON HAS NOW BEEN ASSIGNED AT
25 THE SAN GABRIEL POMONA REGIONAL CENTER. HER NAME IS
26 PATRICIA RAMBO. SHE APPEARED AT CAVAN'S IPP MEETING
27 THREE DAYS AGO FOR THE FIRST TIME. AND PART OF THE IPP
28 MEETING WAS HER COMMUNICATING WITH CAVAN REGARDING

1 CAVAN'S PREFERENCES, AND SO ON AND SO FORTH.

2 SHE IS EXPECTED TO PRODUCE SOME KIND OF A
3 TRANSITION PLAN, AS WAS DISCUSSED AT THE IPP MEETING,
4 FOR CAVAN TO TRANSITION OUT OF CONSERVATORSHIP.

5 SO, TO SUMMARIZE, THERE IS NOW A REGIONAL
6 CENTER DESIGNATED PERSON. THE TITLE IS EXECUTIVE
7 DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE AT SAN GABRIEL POMONA REGIONAL
8 CENTER. THAT PERSON IS PATRICIA RAMBO. SHE AGREED THAT
9 SHE WOULD BE MEETING WITH CAVAN INDEPENDENTLY, AND BASED
10 ON CAVAN'S PREFERENCES EXPRESSED AT THE IPP WOULD BE
11 CREATING A TRANSITION PLAN FOR CAVAN, WHICH WOULD ALLOW
12 HIM TO MOVE OUT OF CONSERVATORSHIP. THE END.

13 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. I DON'T KNOW IF I NEED
14 TO DO MUCH WITH THAT, OTHER THAN MAYBE TO KEEP IT IN
15 SOME NOTES.

16 ALL RIGHT. I DON'T SEE THE NEED TO
17 CONTINUE ANYTHING OVER, EVEN BACK TO THE HOME COURT.
18 EVERYONE KNOWS THE PROBATE INVESTIGATOR DOES THEIR
19 BIANNUAL REPORTS. I DON'T REMEMBER WHEN THE LAST ONE
20 OCCURRED IN THIS MATTER, BUT, YOU KNOW, ANYTHING RAISED
21 IN THE REPORT THAT REQUIRES THE MATTER TO BE PUT BACK ON
22 CALENDAR, THERE WOULDN'T BE ANYTHING UPCOMING THAT THE
23 COURT WOULD HAVE TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT. SO THE MINUTE
24 ORDER FOR TODAY WILL SIMPLY REFLECT THAT THE MATTER IS
25 NOW RETURNED TO THE HOME COURT OR CALENDAR COURT, WHICH
26 IS DEPARTMENT 5, FOR ANY FURTHER PROCEEDINGS.

27 MR. CARL ARGILA: SO WE WILL NOT BE SCHEDULING
28 ANOTHER DATE IN THIS COURT; IS THAT CORRECT?

1 THE COURT: THAT IS CORRECT.

2 MS. O'NEILL, YOU HAD FEES BETWEEN
3 FEBRUARY 28TH AND TODAY. DO YOU WANT TO SET AN OSC ON
4 THAT IN MY COURTROOM AND GET THOSE HANDLED?

5 MS. O'NEILL: YES, THAT IS FINE, YOUR HONOR. I
6 CAN PICK IT UP.

7 THE COURT: THE MATTER IS RETURNED TO DEPARTMENT
8 5 FOR ALL FURTHER PROCEEDINGS.

9 ALL RIGHT. CAVAN, CONTINUE ON WITH THOSE
10 PROMOTIONS. HOPEFULLY, AMAZON STAYS BUSY, EVEN WITH ALL
11 THAT IS GOING ON WITH TARIFFS AND THINGS LIKE THAT.
12 HOPEFULLY, THERE IS LOTS OF INVENTORY, THINGS THAT NEED
13 TO BE MOVED AROUND. I'M PLEASED TO SEE YOU RISING UP
14 THE RANKS AND BEING PROMOTED, AND CONTINUE GRILLING
15 THOSE SHRIMP.

16 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: YES, I CAN, AND I GRILLED
17 THAT SHRIMP MYSELF AND BROUGHT THEM TO WORK.

18 THE COURT: THANK YOU TO THE INTERPRETERS.

19 MR. CARL ARGILA: YOUR HONOR, WHAT IS THE
20 TIMEFRAME THAT I MIGHT EXPECT YOUR ORDER?

21 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: MAY I SAY SOMETHING ELSE?

22 THE COURT: THE MINUTE ORDER SHOULD BE GENERATED
23 BEFORE THE END OF THE DAY.

24 CAVAN HAS A STATEMENT?

25 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: I JUST WANTED TO REMIND
26 EVERYONE, AT THE IPP MEETING, THERE WAS A GENTLEMAN WHO
27 APPROACHED ME AND ASKED ME IF I NEEDED ANYTHING. I SAID
28 I NEEDED AN APPLE WATCH. I USE THAT TO MONITOR MY

1 HEALTH. I MENTIONED THAT I WANTED ONE AND I BELIEVE THE
2 GENTLEMAN, WELL, MAYBE MARY, YOU KNOW WHO THE GENTLEMAN
3 IS, THAT SAID MAYBE HE COULD GET ME IN TOUCH WITH AN
4 APPLE WATCH.

5 MS. O'NEILL: THAT IS CORRECT. IT WAS SAL. I
6 FORGET HIS LAST NAME. I APOLOGIZE. BUT, YES, WE HAD A
7 DISCUSSION ABOUT AN APPLE WATCH AND ALL THE THINGS THEY
8 CAN DO. THEY ARE LOOKING TO GET THAT FOR CAVAN.

9 THE COURT: OKAY.

10 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: THAT WOULD BE WONDERFUL.

11 I ALSO NEED A NEW BED, AN ADJUSTABLE BED.
12 THE REASON IS, I WOULD SLEEP BETTER IF I'M NOT LAYING
13 FLAT ON MY BACK. I HAVE BREATHING ISSUES WHEN I LAY
14 FLAT ON MY BACK.

15 THE COURT: OKAY. THAT IS SOMETHING THAT I
16 THINK REGIONAL CENTER DEPARTMENT CAN LOOK INTO.

17 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: I TOLD SAL ABOUT THAT.

18 MS. O'NEILL: WE TALKED ABOUT THAT.

19 MR. ABRAMOWITZ: IT IS ALL IN PROGRESS.

20 THE COURT: OKAY. SO YOU WERE HEARD, CAVAN.
21 THINGS ARE IN THE WORKS.

22 MR. CAVAN ARGILA: THANK YOU.

23 THE COURT: THANK YOU.

24 MS. O'NEILL: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

25 MR. ABRAMOWITZ: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

26 MS. NIXON: THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

27 (THE PROCEEDINGS WERE CONCLUDED.)

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