


LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS Tribal Court	
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Court Address: 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

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ORDER CLOSING CASE FILE

Case No: C-146-0612

In the Matter of Agnes Lucy Washe (DOB 2-08-1929)

Petitioner: James A. Bransky (P38713) for the LTBB Human Services Department 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740

This Court, having received notice that on Saturday, November 3, 2012 Agnes Lucy Washe walked on, HEREBY DISMISSES THIS CASE.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

12/11/12
Date

Tribal Court Judge

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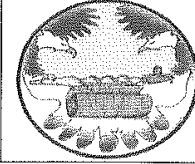
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ORDER APPOINTING FULL GUARDIANSHIP

An emergency hearing following petition to appoint a guardian was held on July 12, 2012, the Hon. Allie Greenleaf Maldonado, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB) Chief Judge presiding. James Bransky, Petitioner; George Lewis, Guardian ad litem; Kristine Skippergosh, witness for Petitioner; Denneen Smith, witness for Petitioner; and Tammy Oakley, witness for Petitioner were present at the hearing.

FINDINGS OF FACT

Petitioner, James Bransky, filed a petition seeking the appointment of a guardian and sought an emergency hearing in order to protect the interests of Tribal Elder Agnes Lucy Washe. The matter was brought to him on recommendation of Tribal Human Services. At this hearing, testimony was heard from both Tribal Human Services and Tribal Elder Services workers. Further, a letter signed by Ms. Washe's physician, Terry S. Jackson, was admitted into evidence.

Kristine Skippergosh, Tribal Human Services Intern, testified regarding her personal interactions with Ms. Washe. Ms. Skippergosh is a student at Grand Valley State University pursuing her bachelor's degree in human services. Ms. Skippergosh testified that Ms. Washe was confused during their interaction, at times forgetting what was being discussed. Further, Ms. Washe was unable to remember the composition of her family, nor was she able to understand the nature and extent of her financial obligations. Ms. Skippergosh then testified that she administered a "mini-mental exam." During this examination, Ms. Washe was unable to recall facts such as the date, year, or season. Moreover, she was unaware of where she was or how she had gotten there.

Ms. Skippergosh then introduced a letter from Ms. Washe's physician, Terry S. Jackson. The letter stated that Ms. Washe suffered from Alzheimer's induced dementia as well as kidney disease.

Tammy Oakley, Director of Tribal Elder Services, also testified to Ms. Washe's competency. Ms. Oakley is a Registered Nurse with lengthy experience in long-term elder and hospice care and has had at least 20 hours of contact with Ms. Washe. Ms. Oakley described Ms. Washe as "frail" and having unsteady gait. Further, she described finding Ms. Washe in poor medical condition, unable to administer her own medication, and unable to maintain livable conditions at her home. She stated that Ms. Washe was capable of dressing and feeding herself, but was unable to perform any other necessary functions of daily life. Ms. Washe had neglected to pay her bills despite having the money to do so, and in fact, did not acknowledge that she had any bills to pay. When asked her professional opinion, Ms. Oakley stated that Ms. Washe was unable to take care of herself, and that it was necessary for her to be supervised 24 hours a day.

At the conclusion of the testimony, the Court held that Ms. Washe was mentally incompetent and was in need of a full guardianship. The Court appointed Sandra Green as full guardian. Sandra Green may be found at 17429 Otsego Road, Vanderbilt, Michigan 49795.

CONCLUSION

Wherefore the Court ORDERS the following:

1. Sandra Green is duly appointed full guardian of Agnes Lucy Washe;
2. The guardian ad litem, guardian, members of the Tribal Human Services Department, and a member of the Tribal Elder Services department shall attend a follow-up hearing on July 27, 2012;
3. Sandra Green shall receive payment of \$60 per month for her services; and
4. Should Ms. Green incur additional costs for her services, said services can be paid for with the approval of George Lewis, the Guardian ad litem appointed in this case.

IT IS SO ORDERED

7/12/12
Date

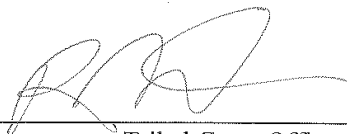
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Allie Greenleaf Maldonado, LTBB Chief Judge

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LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS CIVIL DIVISION	ORDER APPOINTING GUARDIAN AD LITEM	CASE NO. C-146-0612
Court address 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740		Court telephone no. (231) 242-1462

1. In the matter of: Agnes Lucy Washe, D.O.B. 2-08-1929

2. A guardian ad litem be appointed by the Court to represent the best interests of the Tribal Elder,
Anges Lucy Washe

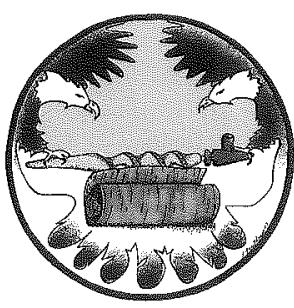
3. **IT IS SO ORDERED THAT:**

<u>George R. Lewis</u>	<u>P-16632</u>
Name	Bar no.
<u>P.O. Box 829</u>	<u>Petoskey MI 49770</u>
Address	City State Zip
	<u>(231) 348-7649</u>
	Telephone no.

is appointed guardian ad litem to represent Tribal Elder, Agnes Lucy Washe.

7/23/12
Date

AS
Honorable Allie Greenleaf Maldonado, Chief Judge



Certification of Service

I certify that a copy of the Order Appointing Ad Litem was served upon the following parties:

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