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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

My name is Leona Bouchard (Johnston) and I did on January 29, 2006, sign my name to an urgent email addressed to Mr. David Bradley @dbradley@wilderwilder.com. I am the eldest of Lionel Bouchard's children. I did move away from Manitoba in 1968.

The content of my letter to Mr. Bradley had to do with a developing situation surrounding my father Lionel Bouchard of Elie, Manitoba. A situation of which I had no knowledge of until an urgent phone call from my brother Andre Bouchard, of Portage la Prairie, January 29th. My brother Andre Bouchard, who had not until that day initiated a phone call to me in well over 30 years, did inform me of an urgent matter regarding my father. He stated that my father was in danger and my sister Marlene Legare from B.C. had initiated a lawsuit on behalf of my father, had cleaned out my father's account, and numerous other offences against my father, apparently. Andre Bouchard assured me that the rest of my siblings were as concerned about my father's welfare as he was and urged me to get on board as well to prevent Marlene from "hurting" my father further. My brother was very convincing. I had no knowledge of what had transpired in Manitoba for months prior to this incident with my father, and had no reason to suspect anything, and was shocked to hear of my father's recent serious head injury. I heard about my father's fall and stay in the hospital months after he was allowed out of the hospital. My brother's first ever phone call to me and his sense of urgency, played a huge part in my willingness to support his endeavours to "stop" whatever "harm" my sister Marlene might incur on our father without really understanding what was actually transpiring. Andre Bouchard was not truthful with me, I was coached and I now regret penning that letter to Mr. Bradley. I have since gotten some personal insight and lots of clarity on my father's situation then and now, by observing my siblings' actions since that day, and have concluded that my father needed to be protected from his own son and daughters, whose motives, in my mind, have been suspect since 2006 and continue to be suspect, especially now, since our mother's demise, January 2007. Since January, 2006, certain family members living in rural Manitoba have shown themselves to me personally, to be deceitful, selfish and above all, greedy.

The destructive actions of certain siblings was inexcusable and their motives purely self-serving. I believe that my father's rights to continue living in his own home was denied and that he should not have been forced off his property.

It is now my strong belief, that my father was being set up and manipulated by his own children whom he trusted.

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