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Testimonials

“It was a pleasure to be represented by Barbara Stone in the sale of our property at 246 East 62nd Street. I found Barbara to be extremely responsive, knowledgeable and professional. Her work was thorough and of the highest standard. Due to Barbara’s dedication, hard work and unrelenting pursuit, she identified a buyer to purchase the property at a price highly favorable to us. I know that we would not have had the success that we did if it were not for her individual supreme effort and dedication. **By far, selecting Barbara for this difficult assignment was my best decision last year.** We greatly appreciate her fortitude and unending energy.”

- Robert Walz, Chief Operating Officer – Flair Communications Agency Inc.

“This will commend Barbara Stone for her representation in the sale of our property at 20 Maiden Lane and 51 Nassau Street. Barbara structured a marketing strategy that addressed the issues involved with the property and was responsive to our timing needs. She targeted a wide range of potential buyers, continually researched the market to access emerging buyers and we were kept informed of the marketing activities. She located a well suited buyer who agreed to a long closing date to accommodate our needs. We were extremely pleased with Barbara's marketing and would highly recommend her.”

- Chris Meskouris, principal, 20 Maiden Lane Associates, LLC

“We on the board would like to commend our real estate team, particularly Barbara Stone in the sale of our property located at One West 96th Street. Barbara recognized that the sale of our property was a big decision for our members and Board. She also understood that we had many questions and concerns about the process of bringing the building to market. Along the way, she and her team answered our questions and anticipated and used good judgment in resolving any problems. We came to rely on her team’s trustworthy advice. We would highly recommend Barbara for the dedicated and professional manner in which she handled this sale.”

- Adrian Smith, Chair –Board of Trustees, First Church of Christ Scientist

“Personally, and on behalf of Takashimaya Madison Avenue Corporation, I would like to thank you for the implementation and execution of a well-conceived marketing plan which resulted in the successful sale of 21 East 69th Street. It was a pleasure to work with such a professional, knowledgeable and enthusiastic broker.”

- Tadahiko Hatano, President – Takashimaya New York, Inc.

“It was pleasure to be represented by you in sale of my townhouse at 183 East 80th Street. I appreciate your marketing expertise and sound advice. Your global market exposure and market knowledge resulted in the sale of my property to an all cash buyer in 2 months, an impressive success. I am pleased with how you handled the marketing process and the results.”

- Richard Stone – Representative for sale of townhouse



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“It was a pleasure to be represented by you in the rental of a townhouse unit at 119 East 64th Street. I have worked with several agents and find your professionalism, expertise, advice and dedication is outstanding. **Your global market exposure and knowledge resulted in the rental of my property to a qualified tenant in just over one week, an impressive success.** I am very pleased with how you handled the marketing process and the result.”

- Joseph D'Angelo

“In a challenging real estate market, Barbara quickly secured an interested buyer with the ability to make an all cash purchase of our Upper East Side townhouse. When economic turmoil produced universal uncertainty, Barbara held the deal together and guided it to a written agreement. She then worked diligently with the potential buyers to satisfy their needs, protect the sellers' interest and bring the sale to a close. From Barbara's knowledge of the market and sales expertise to her assistance with completing the sale, their skill was essential to the rapid and successful completion of this property transaction. She was also a pleasure to deal with on a personal level. I heartily recommend Barbara to others entering the real estate market”.

- Judge David Lipton

“It was a pleasure to be represented by Barbara Stone in my search for a New York apartment. I was relocating from San Francisco to take a position as the Chief Executive of a company. Barbara listened carefully to my criteria and tailored a search and tour schedule that met my needs perfectly. We saw the ideal apartment suitable for my needs after seeing only 5 or 6 apartments. I am most pleased to have an agent who was not only knowledgeable and professional but also wonderful to work with. Barbara has my highest recommendation”.

- David Jiang – Chief Executive Officer – PineBridge Investments

“Thanks Barbara, many thanks for all your help, I really appreciate all the efforts you went to help me get my New York apartment”.

- Amanda Love –LoveArt

Rabbi Edwin Farber

הרב איסר פיבל בן אברהם הירש ופסי פרבר

AFFIDAVIT OF RABBI ED FARBER

I, RABBI ED FARBER, being duly sworn, state as follows:

- I have served as the Rabbi of Beth Torah Synagogue in North Miami Beach for 18 years. Prior to my serving as Rabbi, I was the Rabbi at Temple Samu-El Or Olom for 16 years in S. Dade Miami.
- I began visiting Helen Stone in August of 2013. I had met her son and then later her daughter and learned that Mrs. Stone and her family had been part of the Beth Torah congregation I serve for many years prior to my arrival there as the Rabbi.
- I visited Mrs. Stone in her apartment in Aventura frequently which is very nearby my home and my synagogue.
- From the very first visit I had many concerns about her care. At first I wondered why the aides, who knew I was coming, didn't make sure that Mrs. Stone was dressed and comfortable to receive her Rabbi. She was always in pajamas and a type of bathrobe with her hair unkempt and she would apologize to me about her dress.
- I told her it wasn't important and that she should feel comfortable in her own home. But it seemed odd to me that the aides had no concern about how she was dressed even in the middle of the afternoon.
- I observed that Mrs. Stone did not have adequate food in the house and she was painfully thin. I was so concerned that following my visit, I ordered food to be delivered to the house. On subsequent visits, there was never sufficient food.
- I also noted that Mrs. Stone was very unsteady on her feet and as she gave me a tour of the apartment and told me the story of her upbringing in the Deep South and her move to Miami as a young girl I asked her about a walker. She told me she didn't have one. I looked around the apartment and indeed there wasn't one in sight. It was only after I indicated my concern that a few days later two walkers – one with a seat and one without – appeared in the apartment.
- I asked Mrs. Stone if she was getting out on a regular basis and she told me she wasn't. The guardians indicated to me that she was taken out regularly – sometimes to a beauty parlor – and that Mrs. Stone was just forgetful. Yet not one time when I visited her was her hair done so this caused me to wonder what the accurate story was. I discussed all this with her daughter Barbara who was gravely concerned about her mother's care.

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- In all my discussions with Mrs. Stone the biggest topic was her daughter. She was upset that she didn't see her daughter more often. She said that was her only really joy anymore as all her friends in the building were gone and Barbara was her best friend.
- Mrs. Stone would talk about how good her daughter was but she lived in NY and didn't have time to visit her that often. I didn't tell her that in fact her daughter was right here in Florida but her visits were restricted. At one point Barbara had been here three straight weeks and was only allowed to see her mother once a week during that stretch of time.
- Mrs. Stone also told me repeatedly that she would like her own lawyer. I did not know how to follow up on that but I did try to keep the court abreast of all that I had noted in my visits.
- One Friday I visited her to wish her a 'Good Shabbos' and she was very happy to see me and gave me the same tour and history lesson. She was very animated and asked about my family and my grandchildren. I told her I had to go to New Jersey for a conference and would see her next week.
- I came back the following Wednesday and when I came in I found Mrs. Stone sitting on the couch unable to lift her head or utter a single sentence. She mumbled some words but they were incomprehensible. She was not sleeping – she was awake but not functioning. I could not believe that the aides had not called a Doctor or 911 as something was clearly very wrong with Mrs. Stone. The woman who was walking me around the apartment 5 days before and giving me a history lesson about her family in the Deep South could not lift her head, focus her eyes or say a sentence. I went to take a video of her to send to the guardians so they would see the situation and the aide called the guardian. I thought it was to alert the guardian to Mrs. Stone's condition. As it turned out it was to alert the guardians to the fact that I was taking a video and I was told to stop or to leave immediately. I stopped, left and composed a text to the guardians alerting them to Mrs. Stone's condition.
- That text was sent on November 6th. I have a copy in my phone. I also alerted Barbara to the situation. It wasn't for another day and ½ until Mrs. Stone was hospitalized and was so weak that they had to put a feeding tube in her as she didn't have the strength to swallow. That took nearly 36 hours to hospitalize her is beyond my comprehension. What did she do for food during those 36 hours? I cannot imagine that she was able to swallow in that condition.
- I continued to visit Mrs. Stone in the hospital and in the rehab at Palm Gardens. At that time Barbara was given by the court regular visiting hours every day and that was a great source of happiness to Mrs. Stone.
- Barbara was there during the entire time her visits were allowed. She devoted much time seeing to it that her mother ate and attended the rehab provided by Palm Gardens.
- Several times I visited her in Palm Gardens with Barbara there and the conversations were very animated.
- Mrs. Stone wanted to get out of bed to go to the bathroom but she was told she couldn't and this greatly agitated her. It was the aide hired by the guardians who told her this.
- We have people in our synagogue who help us with visitation of the elderly and the ill. Those visits were not welcome by the guardians and they came to an end rather quickly.
- I asked a few times to be able to talk with Mrs. Stone privately but the aides refused to allow me to do that. I felt that Mrs. Stone might have felt intimidated by the aides presence and wouldn't talk to me in a direct fashion about how she was doing and how she felt.

- Whenever Barbara visited her mother, she was actually "shadowed" by an aide. The aide literally followed her less than 1 foot away. It was bizarre and a brazen intrusion on Mrs. Stone's personal space and greatly impeded her enjoyment of her visits from Barbara.
- After Mrs. Stone left Palm Gardens I was contacted by the guardians and told that I would not be welcome to visit Mrs. Stone anymore and would not be apprised of her location. I was agitating her they said my visits resulted in 'pain' and 'anguish' for Mrs. Stone.
- They of course had never been there during my visits and I can assure you it was anything but that. Mrs. Stone enjoyed my visits and except for the one time she could not even respond which I described above she was always very happy to see me.
- The reason the guardians didn't want me to visit was that they were aware that I was writing to the court about my concerns about the care Mrs. Stone was receiving. I asked them to arrange for another Rabbi to visit but never received a response.
- So here we have them trying to first isolate Mrs. Stone from her daughter and then from me and from anyone who tried to visit her from the synagogue.
- What we have here is an increasing isolation of Mrs. Stone from anyone other than her aides who I can assure you paid little attention to her.
- At the previous hearing, instead of investigating the obvious neglect and abuse of Mrs. Stone and her inexplicable emaciated condition, the hearing was centered around Barbara Stone.
- Further, throughout their oversight of Mrs. Stone, these guardians have ignored Mrs. Stone needs. It was only after I raised concerns about her care that any attention to her needs was provided. She was deprived food. She did not have a walker until I complained.
- Her medications were not posted anywhere in the house yet she had people administering medication without any apparent knowledge of what she was being given. Mrs. Stone appear drugged and over medicated on many occasions.
- It was over 36 hours before she was taken to the hospital when it was obvious she was in severe distress. No, I am not a Doctor, but it doesn't take a Dr. to see that a person is in severe distress. I may not be a Doctor but I was a son for 55 years of my life and if I saw my mother like that I would have dialed 911 in an instant.

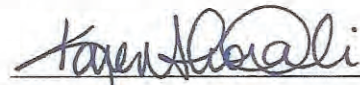
The fact that by the time she got to the hospital she needed a feeding tube is an indication that her caregivers and her guardians who were alerted by me to the situation simply allowed her waited months to too long – way too long.


Mrs. Stone should not be isolated, neglected and abused. She needs enrichment, not deprivation and she needs to see her daughter and to have her Rabbi visit her.


Rabbi Ed Farber

STATE OF FL
COUNTY OF DADE

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th day of February, 2014 by Rabbi Ed Farber.


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MY COMMISSION # EE 066593
EXPIRES: March 21, 2015
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My commission expires: 3-21-15