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To Whom This May Concern:

I am the physician for all the Radin children. I have been their physician for approximately 15 years.

Soya Radin is the mother of my patients, Solomon 11-13-94, Elliot 1-21-97, Hannah 3-09-99 and Samuel 4-13-00.

All the children have special needs and during the fifteen years of treating all the Radin children, Soya Radin had exhibited herself to be nothing short of a responsible, concerned and caring parent.

There were many medical concerns during Hannah's early years and her mother addressed them by following medical advice and taking her for a variety of evaluations. This initiated the multitude of services and therapies which Hannah received initially in her home and later in school.

Hannah progressed slowly despite her low IQ and lack of social skills. Unfortunately, her weight increased dramatically much to the concern of her mother and medical providers. Soya Radin made inquiries and followed through on the referrals which were recommended. Several Endocronologists were seen and medication prescribed without success. The possibility of a metabolic or genetic disorder was of concern and Hannah's mother took her for several visits to a pediatric metabolic geneticist for extensive testing. Although Hannah has several genetic markers for obesity, she was ruled out to not have that specific genetic disorder of Prader Willi Syndrome. Not all genetic disorders are able to be tested.

The mother has brought Hannah to several private weight programs with no positive results and as early as 2013 has been considering surgery. However, this is still a risky procedure for a teenager, especially one with a low IQ. There is today still a small percentage that do not benefit nor survive.

Hannah's mother (against the school's wishes) had her psychologically tested and evaluated for the purpose of correcting the classification listed on her IEP. Hannah is classified as speech impaired but in reality is Mentally Challenged with a low IQ despite a very good vocabulary. This is attested to by Dr. Ezra Gampel, who was recommended by Hannah's school. However, although the classification would





get Hannah additional State benefits, it would prevent her from attending her present school, which she has attended these last 7 years.

Hannah's testing and results confirm that she is a mentally challenged individual with a low IQ, requiring supervision and guidance. She is easily manipulated and gullible and can be very literal in her descriptions of events which may not be the reality at hand, as well as her family's history and composition, unusual circumstances. I believe that this entire situation currently in the court's hands is completely out of context and without any merit.

It is totally inappropriate that she, a mentally challenged and vulnerable child, should have a Facebook and email accounts. Apparently this was initiated by the school without the mother's Knowledge. This is extremely dangerous and potentially exposes Hannah to the dangers of the Internet and the hidden perverts that lurk within its confines.

Hannah has been in her mother's sole care since birth. Mrs. Radin has had many challenges and despite the difficult and trying social, economic and family trials (abandonment by the father of the children, financial strains, and special needs children), she has always provided for Hannah's needs as well as those of her other children.

Hannah is in need of familiar faces and places. She is not capable of making independent decisions and can be misled, albeit in the desire to protect her.

This child should be immediately returned to the mother to prevent further physical and emotional harm to my patient.

I would be available for any telephonic consultation if this would help Hannah in any way.

Yours sincerely,

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