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Subject: Re: Constituent - Diane Griffith

Catherine,
This can be referred to Appalachia for legal assistance.

LaWandra,
Please review and forward to the region.

Thanks
Dale

A. Dale Watson
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From: Catherine McNicoll
Sent: Tuesday, July 3, 2018 2:21:53 PM
To: Wolf, Anne; Watson, Dale
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Good Afternoon, I've had a called from Diane Griffith (61 yo, DOB [REDACTED]) in Greenville County. She was on SSI and Medicaid for 19 years. In April they cut her from both and have since denied her appeal on the SSI. From what she was saying, she has been married 38 years but they have been on and off separated during that time. They are currently together and her husband recently filed for his social security which triggered her removal from SSI and Medicaid.

I'm not sure because she is 61, whether our Information & referral/assistance would be where I should send her.

I'm also not sure if legal services might provide any assistance, it sounded like her relationship and marital status for tax purposes has had a substantial impact on the situation, which is where legal services might be able to help.

Please let me know if you think our office can help. If not I will run this like I would for a younger person in her circumstances, Congressman's office for the SSI and DHHS for Medicaid.

Best Regards,
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