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Ms. Gunter,

My name is Shawn Allen, my husband and I are the co-guardians of my mother. I am writing to the governor's office in desperation and a plea for help. My mother lives with us at Fort Jackson and is diagnosed with Alzheimer's. She has been the subject of exploitation from her guardian ad litem. In the past 3 years approximately 60,000.00 has been taken from her in a simple guardian case and it never seems to end. She has nothing left. A woman who had enough saved to be able to live well, and if needed, afford a nice care facility has been stripped of her monies, belongings and dignity.

I have contacted the SC Department of Aging for help along with DSS, Alzheimer's Foundation, Legal Aid, and several other agencies. I have been unable to get past the front door with any of these agencies. They either don't handle this type of incident or cannot decide if she is a resident of SC. We are here on military orders but we have lived here since Sept. 2012.

We have exhausted all our funds and my mother's funds have been stripped clean. If these agencies do not really protect the elderly from such tragic treatment and exploitation, who does?

I would like to make an appointment with the Lieutenant Governor. I believe only a person of significant influence can help us and bring this to an end.

Best Regards,
Shawn Allen

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