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Subject: Assistance for Mrs. Gray

Dale,

I spoke with Mrs. Gray. She described her situation in detail. The exploitation appears to be extensive, but it has occurred out of the country--scammers have been sent money using MoneyGram--and there is likely to be little that can be done to bring those individuals to justice. I told her that the exploitation should still be reported to law enforcement, but the parents will not cooperate and refuse to allow Mrs. Gray and her husband to assist. They will not allow the Grays to have access to any records. Other losses appear to be a result of legal refinancing, payday loans, expending of assets, etc., with no legal recourse through law enforcement.

I suggested that Mrs. Gray needs to speak with an attorney regarding what she and her husband can do to protect the parents' remaining assets and I offered to make the referral to the SC Bar Lawyer Referral Service. She is very familiar with a number of attorneys who may be able to assist her, due to her employment, and will use their assistance. I referred her to material that we developed as a team with the Access to Justice Commission, SC Bar, and Probate Judges on Guardianship and Conservatorship (on the Supreme Court's website) that may provide more information on guardianship and conservatorship, the reasons that protections might be required, and that will hopefully help her develop questions she will want to ask.

She has my personal contact information and will call me back if we can help further. She was very appreciative of our time and interest in providing assistance.

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