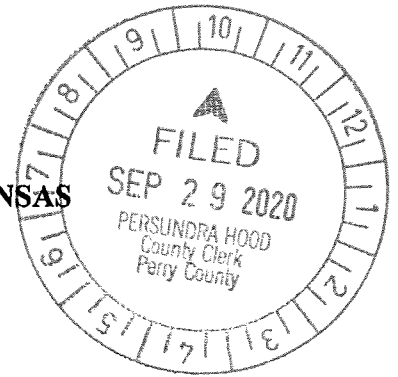


**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PERRY COUNTY, ARKANSAS
PROBATE DIVISION
TWELFTH DIVISION**



**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
MARTHA L. BULL, DECEASED**

Case No: PR 2008-15

**PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT FOR
THE ESTATE OF MARTHA BULL**

Comes now Rosey Perkins and Rhonda Coppak, Petitioners, herein, and state as follows:

1. On May 29, 2008, this Court entered an Amended Order appointing Petitioners as General Co-Administratrixes of the Estate of Martha Bull. At all times since May 28, 2008, Petitioners have been authorized to file suit and pursue litigation on behalf of the Estate of Martha Bull regarding any matter related to the Estate of Martha Bull.

2. Martha Bull's Estate has been engaged in litigation in Faulkner County Circuit Court 23CV-14-862 related to allegations of violations of civil rights and other related claims. The Estate had the authority to engage in this litigation at all times. The Estate has been represented in that litigation by Dodds, Kidd, Ryan & Rowan, the Law Office of Brannon Sloan, and the Law Office of Thomas Buchanan on a contingency fee basis. The litigation has been extremely complex in nature, both factually and legally, as it included numerous unique issues of law and fact, including some claims that have been made for the first time anywhere known to the attorneys, due to the nature of the unique underlying allegations. Because of the complexity of this case, the great expense of upfront costs of the litigation that has been fronted by the attorneys, and the vast time and risk undertaken by the attorneys, the clients agreed to a contract for legal services on a contingency fee of all recovered funds, plus reimbursement of case costs. The contingency fee

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agreement will be presented to the Court for review *in camera*.

3. The Defendants in the above-referenced matter have made a settlement offer that the Plaintiffs have agreed to accept, subject to approval by this Court. The proposed Confidential Settlement and Release Agreement will be presented to the Court for review *in camera*. Said settlement includes confidentiality of the settlement terms involved, except that it includes as part of the agreement a certain sum of money, the amount of which is also confidential.

4. There are no known claims or liens asserted by any other medical care provider or lien holders that are related to the Estate.

5. Petitioners have made a full and complete investigation of the facts and circumstances of the case herein and have made other such investigation and inquiry to convince themselves that the acceptance of this settlement offer is in the best interest of the Estate of Martha Bull.

6. Petitioners should be authorized to accept this offer and to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the settlement, including but not limited to execution of the proposed Confidential Settlement and Release Agreement.

7. Petitioners request that from the settlement proceeds, they be authorized to disburse to the attorneys the contracted portion they are owed, reimburse case expenses, then disburse the remaining sums to the seven (7) heirs in equal shares; Rosemary Howell, The Estate of Rhoda Holt, Carol Parks, Sherman Crow, Rosey Perkins, Rhonda Coppak, and Mary Stefka. The Settlement Statement showing the amount of the settlement, attorneys' fees, cases expenses, and net amount to be distributed to the Estate of Martha Bull will be presented to the Court for review *in camera*.

WHEREFORE, the Petitioners pray that this Court enter an Order approving the above-

described settlement and the proposed Confidential Settlement and Release Agreement; that as Co-Administratrixes of the Estate Martha Bull, be authorized to execute any and all releases necessary to effectuate the settlement, including but not limited to execution of the proposed Confidential Settlement and Release Agreement; that Petitioners be authorized to disburse to the attorneys the contracted portion they are owed, reimburse case expenses, then disburse the remaining sums to the seven (7) heirs in equal shares; that the requirement of bond and the annual accounting be dismissed with since all sums collected will be disbursed in their entirety; and for all other proper relief to which they are entitled.

Respectfully submitted by:

Rosey Perkins, Petitioner &
Rhonda Coppak, Petitioner; by and through



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VERIFICATION

STATE OF ARKANSAS)
)
COUNTY OF PULASKI)

I, Rosey Perkins and Rhonda Coppak, hereby state on oath that the facts and allegations contained in the foregoing are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Rosey Perkins
Rosey Perkins, Petitioner

Rhonda Coppak
Rhonda Coppak, Petitioner

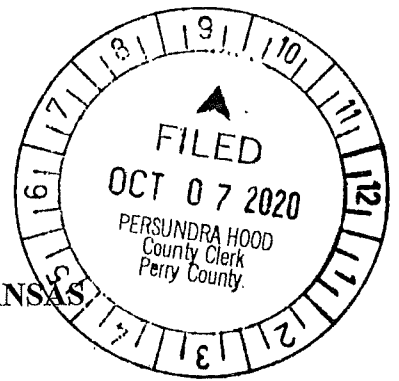
SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me on this the 17 day of September, 2020.

William Price Feland, II
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

March 24, 2030

WILLIAM PRICE FELAND, II
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ORDER FOR APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT
FOR THE ESTATE OF MARTHA BULL AND FOR DIBURSEMENT OF FUNDS

On this day, the above matter came on for consideration by this Court; based on the pleadings, evidence and all things proper, the Court finds:

1. Petitioners were appointed Co-Administratrixes of the Estate of their Mother, Martha L. Bull.
2. Martha Bull's Estate has collected money through the resolution of litigation in Faulkner County Circuit Court 23CV-14-862.
3. The Estate has been represented in that litigation by Dodds, Kidd, Ryan & Rowan, the Law Office of Brannon Sloan, and the Law Office of Thomas Buchanan on a contingency fee basis of which the Contract has been reviewed *in camera* by this Court. Said agreement is reasonable.
4. The proceeds from this settlement are the only remaining assets of the Estate and there are no remaining liabilities of the Estate.
5. The proceeds shall first be used to satisfy the Attorney representation agreement.
6. The remaining proceeds shall be divided equally to the seven (7) heirs as follows:
 - a. Rosemary Howell;

b. The Estate of Willie Rhoda Mae Holt;

c. Carol Parks;

d. Sherman Crow;

e. Rosey Perkins;

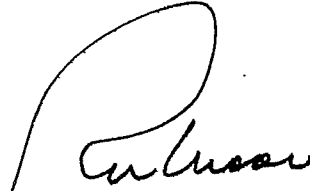
f. Rhonda Coppak;

g. Mary Stefka.

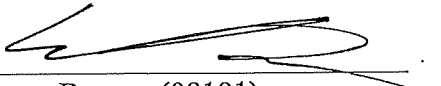
7. Each heir listed in Paragraph 6 has executed a release and agreement as to the distribution of the proceeds, except for the Estate of Willie Rhoda Mae Holt, due to its status with the Probate Court.

8. The Petitioners are hereby authorized and directed to disburse the proceeds of the settlement as set-forth above in this Order, with the proceeds for the Estate of Willie Rhoda Mae Holt to be held in trust until such time as a Representative is authorized to accept the funds on behalf of that Estate.

IT IS SO ORDERED.


18/7/2020
CIRCUIT JUDGE

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