

## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR PALM BEACH COUNTY, FL

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IN RE: ESTATE OF

PROBATE DIVISION

SIMON L. BERNSTEIN

FILE NO. 502012CP004391XXXXSB

**DECEASED** 

DIVISION: FRENCH

PETIONER

**ELIOT BERNSTEIN** 

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## PETITION TO DETERMINE AND RELEASE TITLE OF EXEMPT PROPERTY

Petitioner, Eliot Ivan Bernstein alleges:

- Petitioner, whose address is 2753 NW 34<sup>th</sup> Street, Boca Raton, FL 33434, is the son of the decedent who, on the date of death, was domiciled in Florida.
- 2. That Petitioner is the father of the minor who is entitled by law to the exempt property is:

Joshua Bernstein, whose address is 2753 NW 34<sup>th</sup> Street, Boca Raton, FL 33434, and the grandson of Simon L. Bernstein, whose birthday is August 27, 1997 and is a minor.

- This petition is filed within the time permitted by Section 732.402(6) of the Florida Probate Court.
- 4. Petitioner alleges the exempt property and the basis on which it is claimed to be exempt are as follows:

That on August 25, 2012, Simon Bernstein purchased, titled, insured and registered an automobile, in his name, from Delray Kia, 2255 S. Federal Hwy, in Delray Beach FL, for the benefit of his grandson, Joshua Bernstein and paid for the car, title and tags in full. The car is described as:

Silver, 2013 Kia Soul, VIN # KNDJT2A50D7497193, license plate # BGFC36

That on August 26, 2012, after Sunday Brunch together, Simon Bernstein, dressed the car in balloons, and gave the car to his grandson Joshua for his birthday as a surprise, of which, there are several witnesses, pictures and a birthday video. The car was then driven home to Joshua and Petitioner's place of residence and driven for the benefit of Joshua thereafter. This was the last time Joshua saw his grandfather alive and will always be a special memory in his heart forever.

That Simon's intentions were to transfer the title of ownership to Joshua when he received the car title via US Postal mail. That on September 13, 2012, Simon Bernstein passed away. Given the short time (2 weeks) in between the two events and the original title to the car not being received in the mail yet, on the date of Simon's death the car was still in his Simon's name and not transferred to Joshua.

Petitioner notified Robert Spallina, the alleged Personal Representative of the Estate of Simon Bernstein, the circumstances and was guaranteed the issue would be resolved.

That at midnight on December 2, 2012 the issue was still not resolved and the registration for the vehicle expired. Petitioner again contacted Robert Spallina and was informed that for no specified reason the postal mail belonging to Simon Bernstein was being forwarded to Joshua's uncle, Ted Bernstein at 880 Berkeley Street in Boca Raton, Florida and to contact him regarding the title and the expired registration notices that were sent in the mail. Immediately after Simon's death, Ted Bernstein took control and possession of all Simon Bernstein's mail, took control and possession of all Simon Bernstein's files, including personal and business related files, including those related to the purchase of the car and is tampering, suppressing and denying them the same. Ted Bernstein refuses to forward the above information to Petitioner after several requests and is in control, refusing to forward, tampering and suppressing the above information to the alleged Personal Representatives, Robert Spallina and Donald Tescher and their law firm Tescher & Spallina, P.A.

That as of this date, October 10, 2013, and beginning on December 2, 2012, the above mentioned gifted automobile has been sitting on the street at 2753 NW 34<sup>th</sup> Street, Boca Raton, Florida, unregistered, uninsured (at risk to the estate of the Simon Bernstein) and un-drivable by the rightful owner Joshua Bernstein against the wishes of his grandfather, the decedent, Simon Bernstein. That a sixteen year old boy, Joshua Bernstein, has to walk by his automobile every day and be remembered of his grandfather's special gift and those responsible for preventing him from having it, namely his uncle, Ted Bernstein, who ironically shares the same birthday as Joshua, and Robert Spallina and Donald Tescher.

That Robert Spallina, as Personal Representative and counsel for the estate, has refused to resolve this issue and continues to put the estate at risk and breach their fiduciary duties. Due to the Personal Representatives lack of duty and care and abuse of powers that allow Ted Bernstein control and tampering of Simon Bernstein's mail and documents and therefore aiding in suppression, tampering and mis-handling of original documents and titles is causing severe damages and injury to the beneficiaries of the decedent. This seems to be a conspired effort by Ted Bernstein and the Personal Representatives to interfere with the administration of the estate, create disputes among the beneficiaries, generate more legal fees, and cause harm to all involved as other documents are missing as well, including a Life Insurance Trust that is a beneficiary of a life insurance policy currently in litigation in the State of Illinois where Ted Bernstein is trying to convert the proceeds to himself against the insurers request to get a court order from this court. Other documents have been admittedly forged and fraudulent in the administration of the estate of Shirley Bernstein and Fraud on the Court before Hon Judge Martin H. Colin and continues by these same named fiduciary conspirators. From all these actions, Petitioner has lost all trust and faith and comes to this court to remedy these wrong-doings as no other option is available.

Petitioner prays that this Court can rectify the above matter and resolve this issue and demand the original car title be transferred to Joshua Bernstein so that the automobile can be properly titled, registered, insured and drivable by the rightful owner, Joshua Bernstein and stop the anguish and harm these actions are causing, again to a sixteen year old boy.

Petitioner requests that all current fiduciaries including but not limited to Personal Representatives, Estate Counsel and Trustees be removed for this willful, wanton, reckless, and gross negligent behavior and disregard of law by the alleged fiduciaries of the estate and estate counsel.

Petitioner requests that a court order be entered determining the persons entitled to the abovedescribed property as exempt property under Section 732.402 of the Florida Probate Code and authorizing and directing the Personal Representatives to deliver and transfer the title of ownership.

Under penalties o	of perjury, I declare that I he edge and belief.	ave read the foregoin	g, and the facts all	eged are true, to the
best of my knowle	edge and belief.	// /		

Signed on

Petitioner

Eliot Bernstein

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I CERTIFY that a copy hereof has been furnished to:

Ted Bernstein

Donald Tescher Co-Personal Representative of the Estate of Simon Bernstein

Robert Spallina, Co-Personal Representative of the Estate of Simon Bernstein

Robert Spallina c/o Teseher & Spallina, P.A. counsel for the Estate of Simon Bernstein

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