CASE NO.: 50-2014-CP-002815-XXXX-NB

FOURTH DISTRICT CASE NO.:4D16-2249

ELIOT BERNSTEIN

Appellant(s),

VS.

OPPENHEIMER TRUST COMPANY OF DELAWARE Appellee (s)

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Petitioner,

vs.

ELIOT AND CANDICE BERNSTEIN, in their capacity as parents and natural guardians of JOSHUA, JAKE AND DANIEL BERNSTEIN, minors,

Respondents.

PETITIONER'S PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION OF TRUST ASSETS

Petitioner, Oppenheimer Trust Company of Delaware, by and through its undersigned attorneys, hereby amends and supplements (i) the Joshua Bernstein Irrevocable Trust Summary of Account For the Period July 30, 2010 through May 26, 2014, (ii) the Jake Bernstein Irrevocable Trust Summary of Account For the Period July 30, 2010 through May 26, 2014, and (iii) the Daniel Bernstein Irrevocable Trust Summary of Account For the Period July 30, 2010 through May 26, 2014, of through May 26, 2014, and (iii) the Daniel Bernstein Irrevocable Trust Summary of Account For the Period July 30, 2010 through May 26, 2014 (the "Trust Accountings") with the following plan of distribution of trust assets:

Oppenheimer proposes to distribute the liquid assets of the trusts as of the date of final distribution (approximately \$6,500) to partially pay the property taxes due on the real property owned by Bernstein Family Realty, LLC ("BFR"), an asset wholly owned by the three above-

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referenced trusts.¹ Oppenheimer proposes to distribute the remainder of the trust assets (the trusts' interests in BFR and LIC Holdings, Inc.) to a successor trustee appointed by the Court or in such other manner as instructed by the Court.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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/s/ Steven A. Lessne

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¹ According to the Palm Beach County Tax Collector's records, *see* Exhibit "A," BFR owes over \$13,000 in property taxes related to the home occupied by the trust beneficiaries, including for a tax certificate sold to satisfy unpaid 2014 property taxes. The assets of the trust are insufficient to pay the property taxes in full.



ANNE M. GANNON CONSTITUTIONAL TAX COLLECTOR Serving Paim Bench County Serving Yoll. Anne M. Gannon Constitutional Tax Collector Serving Palm Beach County P.O. Box 3353 West Palm Beach, FL 33402-3353

Account Information		
Property Control Number	Property Type	Last Update
06-42-47-10-02-007-0680	Real Property	5/5/2016 9:26:45 AM
Mailing Address: BERNSTEIN FAMILY REALTY LLC 950 PENINSULA CORPORATE CIR STE 3010 BOCA RATON , FL 33487-1387		Property Address: 2753 NW 34TH ST BOCA RATON FL 33434
Owner of Record BERNSTEIN FAMILY REALTY LLC		Deed Number: 0
	Legal Description	
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Notice to Tax Payer

Pay Online

To pay online, click the ADD TO CART button in the Shopping Cart (upper right corner of screen).

Delinquent Tax Information

- Payments must include an additional collection fee of \$6.25 for each delinquent tax year once a tax certificate has been sold.
- If you see duplicate Tax Years or A below, it indicates delinquent taxes and/or a homestead tax lien. Read more here.
- If the bill number begins with a year (i.e. 2015:001234), a tax certificate was sold for delinquent property taxes. The year indicates the year the tax certificate was sold. For example, 2014 delinquent taxes were sold at the 2015 Tax Certificate Sale.
- Delinquent property taxes cannot be paid online. <u>Read more here.</u>

Frequently Asked Questions

Tax Bills							
Bill Year	Bill Type	Bill Number	Gross Tax	Penalty/Fees	Interest	Discount	Amount Due
2015	Original Tax Bill	101292335	\$6,505.83	\$8.00	\$195.17	\$0.00	\$6,709.00
2015	Certificate	(05/31/2015) 2015:11487	\$6,595.16	\$0.00	\$329.76	\$0.00	\$6,924.92
2014	Original Tax Bill	101304911	\$6,090.76	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2014	Certificate	(06/01/2014) 2014:12364	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2013	Original Tax Bill	101304074	\$5,569.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2012	Original Tax Bill	101305382	\$5,578.13	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2011	Original Tax Bill	101305875	\$5,567.64	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0,00	\$0.00
2010	Original Tax Bill	101306727	\$5,224.63	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2009	Original Tax Bill	272180820	\$5,530.77	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2008	Original Tax Bill	272263360	\$2,586.68	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Original Tax Bill	271374490	\$2,715.92	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Bill Year	Bill Type	Bill Number	Gross Tax	Penalty/Fees	Interest	Discount	Amount Due
2007							
2006	⁻ Original Tax Bill	269598520	\$2,853.31	\$0,00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2005	Original Tax Bill	266929290	\$2,832.62	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2004	Original Tax Bill	265655520	\$2,776.47	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2003	Original Tax Bill	265003960	\$2,759.54	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2002	Original Tax Bill	264042810	\$2,695.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2001	Original Tax Bill	261202320	\$2,690.11	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2000	Original Tax Bill	244536760	\$2,591.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0 _, 00
1999	Original Tax Bill	258940560	\$2,441.94	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1998	Original Tax Bill	257654180	\$2,369.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Respondents.

NOTICE OF FILING

Petitioner, OPPENHEIMER TRUST COMPANY OF DELAWARE ("Oppenheimer"), as the resigned trustee of three irrevocable trusts created by the late Simon Bernstein for the benefit of his minor grandchildren, Joshua, Jake and Daniel Bernstein (the "Grandchildren Trusts"), hereby gives notice of filing the Guardian *Ad Litem's* Response, Report and Recommendation with regard to Oppenheimer's Petition for Instructions, Approval of Final Accounting, Release and Discharge, a true copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."¹

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¹ The guardian *ad litem* does not have electronic filing privileges, and therefore, requested the assistance of Petitioner's counsel to file the attached report.

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Respondents

GUARDIAN AD LITEM'S RESPONSE, REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION WITH REGARD TO OPPENHEIMER'S PETITION FOR INSTRUCTIONS, APPROVAL OF FINAL ACCOUNTING, RELEASE AND DISCHARGE

COMES NOW Diana Lewis, court appointed Guardian *ad litem* (GAL) for Joshua, Jacob (sometimes referred to as "Jake") and Daniel Bernstein in the above styled case and states the following:

BACKGROUND AND REPORT

Upon being appointed by court order on April 4, 2016, the GAL reviewed numerous documents and pleadings pertinent to this case and companion cases. The GAL reviewed the accountings, back up documentation, prior Objections filed by Eliot Bernstein,

Exhibit "A"

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spoke with the Petitioner's counsel, Steven Lessne, Oppenheimer Trust officer, Janet Craig and Oppenheimer CEO, Hunt Worth.

Petitioner, as the resigned trustee of the Simon Bernstein Trusts created on September 7, 2006 for the benefit of Joshua, Jacob and Daniel Bernstein ("Grandchildren Trusts"), petitioned the court for (i) instructions regarding the delivery of trust assets; and (ii) for approval of its accountings, together with a release and discharge. The Petition requests either termination of the Grandchildren Trusts and distribution of the trust assets to the parents of Joshua, Jacob and Daniel or the appointment of a successor trustee to receive the trust assets. According to the accountings, the trust assets are what would be considered "nominal" or "de minimus" by most Trust institutions. (As of 5/26/14 Petitioner reports that the Liquid Assets are as follows: Joshua - \$2195; Jacob - \$2120; Daniel - \$2188).

On February 26, 2015, following a "Status Check" hearing, the court ordered Eliot and Candice Bernstein ("Bernsteins") to designate a proposed successor corporate trustee. On the same day, the Bernsteins provided the names of three proposed corporate trustees to Petitoner's counsel. Thereafter, according to Petitioner's "Notice to Court That Respondents' Proposed Successor Trustees Have Declined the Appointment" filed on February 27, 2015, all three corporate trustees declined the appointment.

The Bernsteins then recommended an individual, JoAnne Denison, an Illinois attorney, as successor Trustee. However, it appears that the Bernsteins failed to provide the court with any written acceptance by Ms. Denison. In addition, the court was provided documentation from the Illinois Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission regarding Ms. Denison's disciplinary history which indicated that she was an inappropriate candidate. Mrs. Bernstein asked for additional time to find a suitable alternate trustee. The court granted the request. At the continued hearing on April 7, 2015, it appears that the Bernsteins failed to provide the court with an alternate trustee who was willing to serve. There appears to be no order entered from this hearing.

Since this hearing, there was an order entered on some, but not all of, Eliot Bernstein's objections to the Petitioner's accountings. In addition, there have been some filings by the Page Three 2014CP002815 (IY)

Petitioner of documents, notices and pleadings.

It is clear from the GAL's review of the documentation and investigation that the majority, if not all, of the payments from the "Grandchildren Trusts" were made at the request of the parents, Eliot and Candice Bernstein, for daily living expenses. It appears that Joshua, Jacob and Daniel Bernstein benefitted by being able to stay in the home and have all bills, including but not limited to, utility, Comcast, Verizon, Costco, Publix and repair bills, paid.

The GAL questioned a number of the entries in the accountings to confirm that they were for the benefit of Joshua, Jacob or Daniel. For example, the cell phone bill is in the name of "Ginger Ann Stanger" and redacted most of the time. However, the bill was for the Bernstein's address so it was assumed to be for the Bernsteins. There also was a large electrical repair bill which was questioned. GAL was advised that the homeowner's insurance required the replacement of the exterior circuit breaker. GAL was advised that the Petitioner last paid property taxes in December, 2012. From a review of the Palm Beach County Tax Collector's website, it appears that property taxes are delinquent. There were many more entries questioned by the GAL, for which adequate responses were provided. Based upon all of the information GAL was provided, the GAL overwhelmingly concludes that it is in the best interest of Joshua, Jacob and Daniel that this case come to an end and the trust property distributed.

RESPONSE TO PETITION

COMES NOW the GAL, on behalf of Joshua, Jacob and Daniel Bernstein, and files her response to the Petition filed June 11, 2014 and states as follows in the numerical order of the paragraphs in the Petition:

- 1. Upon information and belief, the statements are admitted.
- 2. Upon information and belief, the statement is admitted.

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- 3. Upon information and belief, the allegations are Admitted.
- 4. Upon information and belief, the allegations are admitted.
- 5. The GAL can neither admit or deny the statement. GAL is aware that there is some controversy.
- The GAL can neither admit or deny the statement but is aware that Petitioner received funds and in kind assets from Stanford Trust Company.
- 7. The GAL can neither admit nor deny the allegations.
- 8. Upon information and belief, the allegations are admitted.
- 9. Upon information and belief, the allegations are admitted.
- 10. Upon information and belief, the allegations are admitted.
- 11. Upon information and belief, the allegations with regard to the content of the letter is admitted. As to the next allegation, GAL lacks sufficient information or knowledge as to whether they "declined to do so".
- 12. As to the allegations regarding the relief requested, they are admitted.
- 13. As to the statements regarding the provisions of the Trusts, they are admitted.
- 14. As to the statement regarding the statute, it is admitted.
- 15. As to the statement regarding the statute, it is admitted.

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- 16. As to the allegations regarding the statute, it is admitted.
- 17. GAL reincorporates her responses to paragraphs 1 through 16 in response to paragraph 17.
- 18. As to the allegations, they are admitted.
- 19. As to the allegations, they are admitted but it is denied that those are the only options for the court.
- 20. GAL reincorporates her responses to paragraphs 1 through 16 in response to paragraph 20.
- 21. As to the allegations and requests for relief, GAL is unable to admit or deny the allegations or requests for relief.
- 22. As to the request for attorneys' fees and costs, GAL would request that the court deny Petitioner's request.

RECOMMENDATION

Based upon the GAL's review of the Grandchildren Trusts, the accountings, as amended and supplemented and the backup documentation produced by Petitioner, GAL recommends that the court terminate the Grandchildren Trusts. It is also recommended that the Trust assets be given to the parents of Joshua, Jacob and Daniel Bernstein, Eliot and Candice Bernstein, for the use and benefit of their children or that the remaining Trust assets be used to partially pay off delinquent property taxes.

It is also recommended that the court accept and approve the accountings for the Grandchildren Trusts, as supplemented and amended. Page 6 2014CP002815 (IY)

Further, it is recommended that any and all interests that the minor beneficiaries may hold in Bernstein Family Realty, LLC and/or LIC Holdings (which has been administratively closed due to failure to file annual reports) be conveyed or assigned to Eliot and Candice Bernstein, as parents and natural guardians of the minor beneficiaries.

Respectfully submitted this 9th day of May, 2016.

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PETITIONER'S MOTION FOR ENTRY OF FINAL JUDGMENT

Petitioner, Oppenheimer Trust Company of Delaware ("Oppenheimer"), by and through its undersigned attorneys, moves for the entry of final judgment on its Petition For Instructions, Approval Of Final Accounting, Release And Discharge ("Petition") consistent with the Guardian *Ad Litem's* Response, Report and Recommendation filed on May 11, 2016, and states:

1. This action relates to three trusts for minors, each with liquid assets of approximately \$2,000. See Final Accountings previously filed with the Court.

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2. Oppenheimer was forced to file this action because the natural guardians of the minor beneficiaries refused to designate a successor trustee upon Oppenheimer's resignation.¹

3. In Count I of its Petition, Oppenheimer requested that the Court "either (i) appoint a successor trustee to whom Oppenheimer may deliver the Trust property or (ii) terminate the Trusts and permit Oppenheimer to deliver the Trust property to Eliot and Candice Bernstein, as the natural guardians of the Trusts' beneficiaries." In Count II of its Petition, Oppenheimer requested approval of its final accountings, and a release and discharge as trustee.

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WHEREFORE, Oppenheimer requests the entry of final judgment in its favor, together with such other relief as is just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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By: /s/Steven A. Lessne

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¹ As the Court previously recognized in granting Oppenheimer partial summary judgment as to Count I, Oppenheimer effectively resigned as Trustee of the Grandchildren Trusts effective as of May 26, 2014. See Omnibus Order dated November 7, 2014.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was furnished via e-

mail to all parties on the below Service List this 16th day of May, 2016.

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NOTICE IS GIVEN that Eliot Ivan Bernstein, Defendant/Appellant,

appeals to the Fourth (4th) District Court of Appeals from the Order of The Circuit

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Court of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Palm Beach County, FL by Judge John L. Phillips sitting in the Probate Division dated June, 07, 2016 titled "Final Judgment" and hereby appeals from each and every part of said final Order.

Dated: July 02, 2016

/s/Eliot Ivan Bernstein

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing has been furnished to parties listed on attached Service List by E-mail Electronic Transmission; Court ECF; this 2nd day of July, 2016.

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Based on the information in this Application, I have determined the applicant to be () Indigent () Not Indigent, according to s.	
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I, SHARON R. BOCK, Clerk of Circuit Court for the County of Palm Beach, State of Florida, do hereby certify that the foregoing pages to inclusive, consists of original papers and proceedings in Civil Action Case Number:

as appears from the records and files of my office which have been directed to be included in said Record, pursuant to Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure, 9.200(a)(1).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court this day of , A.D.

> SHARON R. BOCK, Clerk of Circuit Court Palm Beach County, Florida

By:



Deputy Clerk