IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

IN RE: ESTATE OF

CLARENCE H. SMYTH, JR.,

Deceased	
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/ CASE NO: 42-2017-CP-000444

## **PETITION FOR ADMINISTRATION** (intestate Florida resident -- one petitioner)

Petitioner, Patricia Smyth, alleges:

- 1. Petitioner has an interest in the above estate as the Curator of the estate and intestate heir of the Decedent. Petitioner's address is 126 Guy St., Coalmine, WV 26062, and the name and office address of petitioner's attorney are set forth at the end of the petition.
- 2. Decedent, Clarence H. Smyth ("Decedent"), whose last known address was 8111 SE Sand Circle, Hobe Sound, FL 33455, whose age was 74 years, and whose social security number is XXX-XX-1111, died on June 1, 2017 at Hospice of Palm Beach County in Palm Beach County, Florida. On the date of death decedent was domiciled in Martin County, Florida.
- 3. The Decedent was not survived by a spouse, had no children, and had no siblings. The Decedent was an only child. The Decedent's parents are deceased. The Decedent's parents had siblings (Decedent's aunts and uncles) who are all deceased. The Decedent's mother, Alice Knute Smyth had 10 siblings who lived to adulthood, and the Decedent's father, Clarence H. Smyth, Sr. had 2 siblings. Between the Decedent's 12 aunts and uncles, they produced 33 children, who are the first cousins of the Decedent. Three of the Decedent's first cousins are deceased, leaving 30 surviving first cousins. One of the deceased first cousins had no children, one had 3 children, and the other one had 2 children. Therefore, there are 30 remaining first cousins and 5 first cousins once removed, for a total of 35 heirs, all of whom are <u>adults</u>. The names and addresses of the first cousins and first cousins once removed are as follows:

Karen Smyth 111 Chickadee Trail Michiana Shores, IN 46360 First Cousin Pamela Smyth Popp 1900 Shorewood Drive Long Beach, IN 46360 **First Cousin**  Dreama Smyth c/o Tawnya Metheney 131 Miller Ave. Coalmine, WV 26062 First Cousin

Sharon Bunny	William Smyth	Brad Smyth
1308 Indian Camp Road	210 Falcon Court	6522 Old Fairground Rd.
Clayton, NC 27520	Clayton, NC 27520	Benson, NC 27504
First Cousin Once Removed	First Cousin Once Removed	First Cousin Once Removed
Richard J. Smyth	Diane Rabbit	Barbara Smyth
8330 Lighthouse View	3917 Brightway St.	3844 Lindberg Way
Colorado Springs, CO 80920	Coalmine, WV 26062	Coalmine, WV 26062
<b>First Cousin</b>	First Cousin	First Cousin
Robert P. Smyth	James M. Smyth	Mary Alice Grattan
19 Lariat Rd.	338 6 <sup>th</sup> St NW	2848 Connecticut Ave.
Silt, CO 81652	New Philadelphia, OH 44663	Pittsburg, PA 15216
<b>First Cousin</b>	<b>First Cousin</b>	First Cousin
Patricia Smyth	Richard Mustard	Betty Ritchie
126 Guy St.	128 California Ave.	190 N. 20 <sup>th</sup> St.
Coalmine, WV 26062	Coalmine, WV 26062	Coalmine, WV 26062
<b>First Cousin</b>	<b>First Cousin</b>	<b>First Cousin</b>
Jeffrey Mustard	Donna Walker	Vincent P. Knute, Jr.
4316 Wells St.	3407 Sulphur Bedford Rd.	134 Gregg Ave.
Coalmine, WV 26062	Bedford, KY 40006	Bloomingdale, OH 43910
<b>First Cousin</b>	<b>First Cousin</b>	First Cousin
Michael Knute, Sr.	David Knute	Karen Smyth
1412 Township Rd. #290	4335 Milo Rd.	8516 196 <sup>th</sup> St SW Apt 314
Hammondsville, OH 43930	Carrolton, OH 44615	Edmonds, WA 98026
<b>First Cousin</b>	First Cousin	<b>First Cousin</b>
Mary Martha Gross	Rose Ann Smyth	William Knute
7500 Ross Park Dr. Apt 421	19 Phillips Ave.	3106 St. Charles Dr. Apt 109
Pittsburg, PA 15237	Corapolis, PA 15108	Steubenville, OH 43952
<b>First Cousin</b>	First Cousin	First Cousin
Michele Noninger Unknown Address First Cousin Once Removed	Katie Knute 319 South Main St. Roxboro, NC 27573 First Cousin Once Removed	Thomas Knute, Sr. 525 Cove Rd. Coalmine, WV 26062 First Cousin
Richard Knute	Kathryn Volk	Mary Jumpan
111 Fox Run Place	1433 Wyldewood Dr.	19 Pier Pointe
Lebanon, OH 45036	Madison, WI 53704	New Bern, NC 28562
<b>First Cousin</b>	<b>First Cousin</b>	<b>First Cousin</b>

Christopher Knute 4545 Cory Corners Rd. Marion, NY 14505 First Cousin

Ellen Knute Eccleston 123 Shore Rd.

Pocasset, MA 02559

**First Cousin** 

Carolyn Knute 123 Shore Rd. Pocasset, MA 02559

**First Cousin** 

Diane McFarland P.O. Box 74 Moran, WY 83013 First Cousin Paul D. Knute, II 131 State Route 64 Canandaigua, NY 14419 **First Cousin** 

- 4. Venue of this proceeding is in this county because it was the county of the decedent's residence at the time of the decedent's death.
- 5. Patricia Smyth, who is qualified under the laws of the State of Florida to serve as personal representative of the decedent's estate, is entitled to preference in appointment as personal representative because she is the Curator of the estate, the first cousin and intestate heir of the Decedent, and is appointed by the majority in interest of the heirs, as more particularly reflected on the chart attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. Those who agree that Patricia Smyth should be personal representative have executed a waiver and consent in favor of Patricia Smyth.
- 6. A family tree reflecting the Decedent's paternal family is attached as **Exhibit B**, and a family tree reflecting the Decedent's maternal family is attached as **Exhibit C**.
  - 7. The nature and approximate value of the assets in this estate are:

## **Homes:**

8642 SE Sand Circle, Hobe Sound FL 33445 (Exempt Homestead Property)

238 Bridge Rd., Jupiter, FL 33477 (approx. \$395,000.00)

Home located in West Virginia (address and value unknown at this time)

## Cars

5 cars

## Cash, Stocks, other assets

1,500,000.00 (approximate – however, Curator is in process of marshalling assets)

111 acres of mineral rights in West Virginia (unknown value – however, Curator in process of marshalling assets)

- 8. The estate will not be required to file a federal estate tax return.
- 9. After the exercise of reasonable diligence, petitioner is unaware of any unrevoked wills or codicils of decedent.
- 10. Domiciliary or principal proceedings are not known to be pending in another state or country.

Petitioner requests that Patricia Smyth be appointed personal representative of the estate of the decedent.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have read the foregoing, and the facts alleged are true, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

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Signed on	, 2017.

