

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 12<sup>TH</sup>  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR  
SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION

CASE NO.: 03-CP-001071 NC

IN RE:  
ESTATE OF MURRAY B. COHEN

Deceased.

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MARIA COHEN,

Petitioner,

v.

STEVEN J. COHEN ESDALE,  
individually and as the Natural  
Parent and Guardian of RYAN  
ESDALE, a minor.

Respondents.

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**AFFIDAVIT OF RHODA GOODMAN**

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared RHODA GOODMAN, who,  
being duly sworn on oath, deposes and states as follows:

1. That my name is RHODA GOODMAN, and I reside in New Jersey.
2. That I was very good friends with the decedent, MURRAY COHEN, for approximately more than 25 years.
3. That I spoke to the decedent, Murray Cohen, when he returned from getting married in Bolivia.

4. That the decedent, Murray Cohen, advised me that he was sick in Bolivia, and when he returned from Bolivia.

5. That the decedent, Murray Cohen, said that he thought his illness was attributed to either the change in altitude, or the different types of food he ingested in Bolivia.

6. That a day or so later, Murray Cohen's, new wife, Maria Amurrio Cohen, contacted me to inform me that Murray Cohen suddenly passed away, and I was totally shocked.

7. I have read the above affidavit and all of the statements contained therein are true and correct, and are based on my personal knowledge.

**FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.**

*Rhoda Goodman*  
RHODA GOODMAN

STATE OF NEW JERSEY }  
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COUNTY OF UNION        }

BEFORE ME the undersigned authority appeared RHODA GOODMAN, who is personally known to me, or has produced driver's license as identification, and who, after having been duly sworn, stated under oath that the above statements are true and correct. Dated this 15th day of ~~March~~ <sup>April</sup>, 2004.

*Norma Weinstein*  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

My Commission Expires:

**NORMA WEINSTEIN**  
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY  
My Commission Expires Oct. 4, 2004