# Living Will

Is it made to appear as the Veteran's fault that the VA is withholding his Living Will?

05/02/2013 05:56 PM

From:

**DUNKLIN, DONNA** 

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 107063585

Subject:

General

General Inquiry

Dear Mr. O'Connell,

I am the social worker at the Green Valley VA Clinic and am writing to respond regarding your living will. It is my understanding that you gave your living will to the Prescott Clinic. We do not have your original living will here and there is no record of a living will in your chart. We do not keep documents at the clinic. When we receive a document we note it in the electronic chart and send it to Medical Records in Tucson for scanning. You might try the Prescott Clinic or their main office which I believe is in Phoenix.

Thank you for your service and feel free to call me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Donna Dunklin LCSW

399-2291

### **Previous Messages in Thread**

Subject: General Inquiry

Dear ANP Randi Schmeling:

Please explain why my medicine stopped. Because of my health and my income stopping my VA medicine is a virtual death sentence.

Please return my original living will. I rescind my living will. I don't understand why you won't return it.

What is your intent?

Sincerely, Anthony O'Connell 763

05/07/2013 01:43 PM

From:

SCHMELING, RANDI

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 108337223

Subject:

General

General Inquiry

- 1) your medicine is due for release; you can go to main VA since you do not have a phone to get it.
- 2) For the last time-social work has addressed the advance directive issue. I do not have a copy-you can go to the Release of Information office at the main VA and they may have access to it.

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From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY
To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Subject: General Inquiry

#### ANP Randi Schmeling:

- (1) Please release my medicine now. Withholding my VA medicine, because of my health and income, will kill me. Do you understand?
- (2) Please return my living will now [VA Form 10-0137 "VA Advance directive: Durable power of attorney for Health Care and Living Will"]. I don't understand why I can't get it back. I have asked for months. I rescind my living will. Please return the original to me.

Please respond. Please take an accountable position so that all concerned can rely upon it. Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

05/07/2013 01:43 PM

From:

SCHMELING, RANDI

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 108337360

Subject:

General

General Inquiry

see my latest note

## **Previous Messages in Thread**

From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY
To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Subject: General Inquiry

Dear Primary Care Provider ANP Randi Schmeling:

Please explain why my medicine stopped. Because of my health and my income stopping my VA medicine is a virtual death sentence. You know I am penniless.

Please return my original living will. When I first became your patient you agreed to return it. I rescind my living will. Please return my original living will to me.

What is your intent?

Sincerely, Anthony O'Connell 763

05/08/2013 01:23 PM

From:

CAULDWELL, FABIAN

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 108738181

Subject:

General

General Inquiry

Mr. Oconnel

Your medication was sent out to you, you will receive it in the mail.

ANP Schmeling does not have your "will" she does not keep any patient records in her office. Please refrain from continuing to ask her for this. You can contact the main facility at (520)792-1450 if you have questions regarding your "will".

I am also asking that you use this service to ask general question only and if you need to schedule an appointment to see ANP Schmeling you can call our clinic at (520)399-2291.

Thank you and have a good day Fabian

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-----Original Message------Sent: 05/08/2013 10:44 AM

From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY
To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Subject: General Inquiry

#### Dear ANP Randi Schmeling:

- (1) Please explain why my medicine was stopped. Because of my health and income stopping my VA medicine will kill me. Do you understand? Please release my medicine.
- (2) Please return my original living will [VA Form 10-0137 "VA Advance directive: Durable power of attorney for Health Care and Living Will"]. I rescind my living will. Please return my original living will to me.

Did you decide on your own to stop my medicine and not return my living will or were you instructed to do so?

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

NOTE DATED: 05/09/2013 13:34 LOCAL TITLE: MAIL STANDARD TITLE: LETTERS

VISIT: 03/27/2013 14:30 GV SCHMELING

ANTHONY MINER OCONNELL 439 S VISTA DEL RIO GREEN VALLEY, ARIZONA 85614

Dear ANTHONY MINER OCONNELL,

This letter is to address your misuse of secure messaging. You have written the same thing over 6 times and we have sent you the answer as many times. You MUST stop doing this. Your medications are not being withheld, they are being sent out. We have told you how to contact Release of Information each time regarding the copy of your advanced directives as we do not have access to them. The MSA, the social worker, pharmacist and I have all responded to you numerous times. If you do not stop misusing secure messaging, I will have to request from the overseer of secure messaging contact you and if necessary suspend your secure messaging messaging.

Sincerely,

Randi Schmeling MS, RNP, ANP, BC

Signed by: /es/ Randi Schmeling, ANP Adult Nurse Practitioner 05/09/2013 13:39

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05/09/2013 03:41 PM

From:

CAULDWELL, FABIAN

To:

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OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 109200242

Subject:

General

General Inquiry

Mr. Oconnell

I addressed your medication issue yesterday is there something else going on. Your medication was sent out from the main facility to you and should arrive shortly.

This clinic and ANP Schmeling does not hold any copies of patient records, if you would like to receive your living will please contact release of information at the main facility at (520)792-1450.

I hope this has answered your questions about your medication and living will. We need to get past this and assist you with the care you may need.

Thank you Fabian

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Sent: 05/09/2013 12:39 PM From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Subject: General Inquiry

#### Dear ANP Randi Schmeling:

- (1) Please explain why my medicine stopped. Because of my poor health and poverty line income stopping my VA medicine will kill me. To kill my medicine is to kill me. Please release my medicine.
- (2) Please have my original living will [VA Form 10-0137 "VA Advance directive: Durable power of attorney for Health Care and Living Will"] returned to me. I don't understand why I can't get it back. I rescind this living will. This is the same living will that you agreed I would get back after I asked you for it sometime around July of 2012.

If you believe I am in any way responsible for my not receiving my medicine would you please explain how? Why is it so important to you to withhold my medicine and my living will? Is this your decision or have you been instructed to do so?

05/16/2013 11:11 AM

From:

**DUNKLIN, DONNA** 

To:

OCONNELL, ANTHONY

Message ID#: 111213373

Subject:

General

General Inquiry

Mr, O'Connell,

I am sorry, but you received incorrect information at the Tucson VA. I spoke directly with the Director of Medical Records who told me that they do not keep any hard copy records at all. They scan everything that they receive and put it in your electronic record. They destroy all hard copies after 90 days. I repeat there is NO living will in your electronic chart here at SAVAHCS, which indicates that they never received a paper copy of a Living Will for you. If you are concerned about Prescott having your Living Will in their chart, you need to contact them.

Sincerely, Donna Dunklin, LCSW

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----Original Message----

Sent: 05/13/2013 07:08 PM From: OCONNELL, ANTHONY To: \*\*TUC GV SCHMELING PACT

Subject: General Inquiry

Dear Donna Dunklin LCSW.

I went to release of information at the Tucson VA today to get my living will. They told me I had to make an appointment with the social worker in Green Valley to get my living will out of the system. If that is agreeable with you, just tell me when I can see you. If you have any questions please contact Rosemary Hernandez at Release of Information.

Thank you.

Anthony O'Connell 7637

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