SB1029 Estates and Trusts - Interpretation of Wills - Evidence of Intent (Granny's Law)

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Dear Judiciary Committee Chair, Vice Chair and Members,

My name is Irene Simms Henderson and I was married to my beloved husband Dr. Roland Henderson for 56 years and 4 months. He had cancer 3 times and the 4th time he got cancer unfortunately, he lost his battle. He was treated at Memorial Sloan Kettering for 21+ years. My grandfather was a cancer survivor but lost his battle and then my mother had cancer along with each of her 4 brothers all but one passed from cancer and the last sibling who survived cancer passed from a heart attack. My only sibling, my brother, has been living with cancer for well over 5 years. I too had cancer but thankfully it was a mild case.

When I hear about the startling statistics for African Americans and Cancer, I don't need to see the numbers, as I have unfortunately experienced this personally right in my own family.

Jennifer took excellent care of her grandmother in life and I think the testament that she is pursuing this legislation is clear evidence she is taking excellent care of her grandmother in death. There are very few people I trust to help me as I grow old, Jennifer is one of those people I trust and rely on as she is dependable, compassionate and a shrewd business woman.

I knew Jennifer's grandmother and I know what happened to her estate and to Jennifer is not anything that she would have ever wanted. The courts treatment of Jennifer was beyond disturbing. My mother was a Reverend and as many say "But God". I thank God for protecting and keeping Jennifer in spite of the horrid court system. I support Granny's Law SB1029 and I highly suggest the Judicial Proceedings Committee do the same.

Respectfully,

Irene Simms Henderson