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Honorable Frank S. Rossetti, Justice  
Supreme Court of the State of New York  
Nassau County  
100 Supreme Court Drive  
Mineola, NY 11401

October 23, 1998

Dear Judge Rossetti,

I had the pleasure of working with Miriam Davidson when she was appointed the Court Evaluator in two Article 81 guardianship proceedings for which I was the AIP's hospital social worker.

Ms. Davidson stands out to me as an exemplary court evaluator for the respectfulness and compassion she shows towards the AIP and for her diligent efforts in seeking timely, dignified, yet realistic solutions. Ms. Davidson is efficient, thorough and effective. In my experiences, she initiated her investigation soon after her appointment, arranged to make complex home visits and contacted all parties involved with the AIP. When an AIP was suspected of being exploited, she took aggressive steps to ensure his protection. On another occasion when the appointment of a temporary guardian would serve to facilitate a hospital discharge, Ms Davidson willingly offered to assume this function. Her final written reports were well organized, reflecting her thoroughness and her understanding of the available community resources.

I am delighted to have had this opportunity to praise Ms. Davidson's work in a formal way. The high quality of professionalism she applies to the Court Evaluator role is unsurpassed in my experience and, in the process of doing so, she provides an invaluable contribution to the AIP and guardianship proceeding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carol Ban".

Carol Ban, ACSW  
Social Work Services