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To Whom It May Concern:

Elizabeth Prettyman died on December 3, 2003 in Fairbanks, Alaska. Ms. Prettyman owned minerals in several different Texas counties, including Ector County. Because she had no direct first generation heirs, the state of Alaska appointed the law firm of Hompesch and Evans in the summer of 2004 to handle her affairs. The law firm received notices of taxes due and evaluations from all of the counties in Texas except for Ector County.

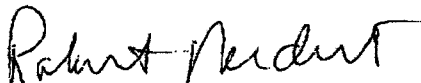
In my discussions with Karen McCord, who is with the Ector County Appraisal District, I found out that one notice was mailed on May 7, 2004. However, at that time the law firm had not been engaged by the State of Alaska. No other notices were sent out from Ector County. Because no further notification was received by the law firm, no taxes were paid. Ms. McCord said that the necessary documents were available to the Appraisal District at a later date that gave them the law firm's name and address in Fairbanks, Alaska.

According to Ms. McCord, a personnel shortage in the appraisal office was the contributing factor that caused the office to fail to send out additional notification to the law firm regarding the Ector County minerals for the Prettyman Estate.

The resulting penalties and interest from the back taxes owed are considerable. Because of the lack of notification from Ector County, the Hompesch law firm had no idea that the taxes were owed.

It is my request that these penalties and interest be waved and set aside for the Prettyman Estate.

Thank you for your consideration,



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