

Report of Judith Harding and her Office

Friday, February 22, 2013

Judith or Judy Harding is Rosie Stevenson's current therapist. Rosie has been seeing her for the past 5 years or so. [redacted] and Ford also began going to Judy after Rosie found her, often as a group or in pairs. On the evening of Friday, February 22, 2013, Rosie indicated that she had told Judy about how she remembered [redacted] telling her that she was a part of the abuse. However, [redacted] denies that she would ever tell her perpetrator such information. Rosie went on to say that she told Judy in one or more sessions. When [redacted] asked Rosie if she'd be willing to release Judy's notes on Rosie to her and [redacted], Rosie hesitated and wouldn't say yes or no. Ford Stevenson, Rosie's current husband, seemed very enthusiastic to get the records to [redacted], or at least have a meeting where [redacted] could ask Judy anything regarding the records. Rosie and Ford also mentioned that they had been in contact with Judy that evening since [redacted] had been over there and stated that [redacted] have come forward about Rosie's abuse of them.

Saturday, February 23, 2013

The following morning, Saturday, February 23, 2013, [redacted] called the hospital to get information regarding the records, and to find out if in an emergency, they could be picked up that morning. She found out that there were records available in the record's office and that the therapist didn't need to be there, only the individual requesting the records. [redacted] called Ford and told him the information at which point he told her that Judy had told them the night prior that she had to be present. He insisted that Judy knew better, and that we should follow her plans. [redacted] then gave Ford the phone number to the records office and told Ford that they said the therapist didn't need to be present. He texted her back after their phone call saying "We are on our way to the hospital, and we text you as soon as we've signed off on the records." We immediately left the house and met them in the elevator on the way up to the records office. (See recorded conversation from the 2+ hours with Rosie at the Hospital, particularly the beginning phone call with Judy Harding).

After the phone call with Judy, in which she refused to come in herself, or give directions to anyone in the medical records office of how to get Rosie's records, we discovered in the medical records office we could obtain documentation of all inpatient activity and the dates of outpatient appointments, which would include any appointments Rosie would have had with Judy to compare to Judy's notes. We ordered the records to be mailed to Rosie sealed somehow, so we could know they weren't tampered with. As Judy had told us that we couldn't get anything until Monday, as well as Ford in his email after communicating with her, we decided to return Monday morning to try to get the records. Rosie slipped a letter under Judy Harding's door, releasing all therapy records to us.

Monday, February 25, 2013

arrived at Judy Harding's office just after 8:00 am on Monday morning. [redacted] texted Ford and told them what we were doing, and called him twice, with no answer. She then called their home phone and finally got an answer. [redacted] told Ford where she was and what she and [redacted] were doing. [redacted] asked the woman at the desk (DeAnn) if we could pull Rosie Stevenson's records, we told her the information, and how we had talked with Judy and that Rosie had already given a release for her records. The woman seemed as if she knew who we were, and said that she would have to get permission from her psychologist, Judy, and would be a few minutes. [redacted] sat back down by almost directly in front of DeAnn's desk. DeAnn left her desk and came back a few minutes later at which point she picked up the phone dialed and said something to the point of, "Hi Judy, its DeAnn, I've got [redacted] here who want her therapy records". There was then a long pause, that lasted about 3 minutes, at which point DeAnn said "So there aren't any records in the office?" There was another pause and then she said something like "Okay, thank you! Goodbye."

She then leaned over her desk/counter and said "You will not be able to get the records today." Shocked, [redacted] got up and walked toward her desk and said, "I'm sorry, this is an emergency, and there are people at risk. Judy informed us that we could get the records when the office was open. Can you give me any explanation of why we cannot get them today?" DeAnn would not answer my question and just said that I had to have Judy's permission to get the records, and that the soonest we could get them would be Tuesday afternoon. She said that normally it takes 2-6 weeks to get that kind of information.

[redacted] explained that Rosie had already signed off on the records and said that this was a very serious matter concerning abuse and we need more information immediately. [redacted] then asked if we needed to involve the police. DeAnn responded, "You can involve the police if you'd like, or we can call security and have them escort you out." [redacted] were both shocked and left.

Later that day, Rosie texted [redacted] 14 times. In one of her texts, she stated how she had called the office and confirmed that they had received her documentation releasing records to us, and was very confused as why they weren't releasing her therapy records to us.

Tuesday, February 26, 2013

Tuesday afternoon around 1:50pm, [redacted] went in to Judy's office to try to pick up the records again. We were told by DeAnn (again) that we needed Rosie in the office to sign off again, because the document she had previously signed was incorrect (recorded: **2/26/13 1:54 PM Conversation with DeAnn**). We objected saying that we had been told by the medical records office, Judy Harding, as well as DeAnn herself that we could get them Tuesday afternoon. She said that she couldn't do anything else. We said we would work it out. We walked to the bench by the entrance to the office and sat down at which point [redacted] called Ford and updated him. Ford told [redacted] that he would bring Rosie with him. During that time a man named "Kyle", the clinic manager came out and asked us if we had any questions. We declined sharing information with him as we thought the problem had been solved, and we didn't know him or know what he needed although he said he was there to answer questions. We finished our conversation (recorded: **2/26/13 1:58 PM Conversation with Kyle**).

Then we overheard DeAnn on a phone call, and found out shortly after that it was Rosie. In this phone call she said "I wouldn't think they would be waiting for you, the girl who does our records is gone for the day, and I told them they can't even get them today anyway." Immediately after DeAnn hung up the phone, Rosie texted saying "Are you waiting for me?" is bothered that Rosie continues to text her, and has tried to stay far away from her, and therefore did not respond. texted her not long after that and asked her if she was almost to the hospital. Ford walked in the room around 2:25 and we asked him where Rosie was. He said she was coming in a separate car, then Judy Harding immediately opened the door and invited Ford in and shut it quickly. Not long after that, sent a second text to Rosie saying that we were waiting in Judy's office. Rosie responded with a 4- text message to and then to (at 2:33pm) that reads:

"I'm sorry I just learned at 2pm today that the hospital records staff didn't put a witness signature on the form I filled out on Saturday. I'll need to come in and sign another one and they'll do it right. They told me that the woman who copies records has left already, that she won't start the process till tomorrow morning. Then it may take a couple of days for them to pass through their internal procedure. I'll sign before 5 tonight so it can be ready to start tomorrow. I'm not coming in till my visiting teaching is over around 4. The receptionist said the records have not even begun to be copied because they flubbed up on witnessing on Saturday. Records won't be available today."

When we received the text from Rosie we decided to go talk to DeAnn again (see recording: **2/26/13 2:40 PM Conversation with DeAnn and Kyle**). We waited for her to finish 2 phone calls and then spoke with her. The gist of our conversation is that we asked why she didn't tell us that we couldn't receive the records today, as well as why she told us that Judy has to "sign off" on records, and asked to talk with Kyle. She became very upset and refused to talk with us, and got Kyle. Then Kyle came in and we told him the problems of incorrect information from his therapist at secretary, and we asked for an expedited process of receiving the records. He said he would help us get the process started even before Rosie signs the documents, however it took us asking over and over. We shared our information with him so he could call us as soon as it was ready for pick-up.

As we left we realized we wanted to ask about the document that Kyle said Rosie had written very "backwardly" and strangely, so we went back to ask if we could get it or see it (See recording: **2/26/13 2:56 PM Conversation with Kyle about Documentation**). Then asked if she could also get her records from therapy with Judy Harding. Kyle helped to know exactly what to do on the form to get her records. As we were waiting for to fill out the form, Ford came out of his appointment and told us the same information DeAnn had told us. (See recording: **2/26/13 3:03 PM Conversation with Ford**). We also talked about a possibly situation in which we could set up an appointment concerning Rosie's documentation. signed her documentation and it was witnessed by one of the secretaries.