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22 - 46 Mulberry Avenue

Moehto, Swaziland

Attention: Mr. Terry Caswell - Case Manager

Dear Mr. Caswell:

RE: ESTATE OF GORDON SEYMOUR ARMSTRONG - YOUR FILE #77-45-23498

Finally, after more than four months, we can say that we have resolved this investigation.

Contrary to our usual reporting for you, we offer here only an abridgement of the search strategies and findings. However, if you feel that you need more information or documents, please don't hesitate to contact us further at that time.

This case certainly has had its problems almost from the beginning despite the fact there were lots of leads by which to trace this family. At every turn, it seemed we had poor or no locality information by which to trace the heirs. A couple of breaks in the past two weeks however, have allowed us to complete the investigation fully.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS: Herein is a summary of our findings on this case:

Your Deceased, **Gordon Seymour Armstrong** (17th March 1906 at Toronto¹; d. 2000 in Moehto, Swaziland²) was the son of Wellington Willoughby Armstrong (b. circa 1862 at Halton,

¹Birth Certificate for Gordon Seymour Armstrong, Ontario Department of Vital Statistics (Thunder Bay, ON), #1560, dated 17th March 1906. Held by and extracted from the Archives of Ontario (Toronto, ON, Canada). Refer to Exhibit I for a copy of this source record.

²Information supplied by client with their contract letter of 10th May 2010.

ON³; d. 1919 at Toronto, ON⁴) and Margareta (Maggie) Seymour Pabst⁵ (circa 1874 at Council Bluffs, IA⁶; d. 19th March 1962 at Toronto, ON⁷) who were married on the 30th April 1894 in Victoria, BC.⁸ Gordon was one of three children to this couple, the other two siblings being - **Irving Wellington Armstrong** (b. 17th April 1899 in San Francisco, CA⁹; d. 13th January 1982 at Toronto, ON¹⁰), and **Arnold Willoughby Armstrong** (b. 13th June 1904 in Toronto¹¹, ON; d. 2nd January 1978 at Toronto, ON¹²).

³ Marriage Record of Wellington Willoughby Armstrong to Margarita Seymour Pabst, British Columbia Department of Vital Statistics, 'General Register of Marriages for British Columbia', dated 30th April 1894, file #1894-09-006151. Held by and extracted from the Provincial Archives of British Columbia (Victoria, BC, Canada). Refer to Exhibit II for a copy of this source record.

⁴ Re-interment Record for Wellington Willoughby Armstrong, from place unknown to Mount Pleasant Cemetery (Toronto, ON), plot 14, Section 8, Lot 15 on the 16th June 1922.

⁵ Daughter of John Thomas Pabst (b. 1824; d. 30 June 1897 at Germantown, CA) & Margaret Seymour (b. circa 1833; d. 25th December 1916 at Toronto, ON). Refer to Obituary Notice of John Thomas Pabst, "Died" in the *Victoria Daily Colonist* (Victoria, BC), dated 8th July 1897 (Thu.), p. 8, col. 1. Held by and extracted from the Provincial Archives of British Columbia (Victoria, BC, Canada). Refer to Exhibit III for a copy of this source record; and Re-interment Record for Margaret Pabst, from place unknown to Mount Pleasant Cemetery (Toronto, ON), plot 14, Section 8, Lot 15 on the 16th June 1922.

⁶ Marriage Record of Wellington Willoughby Armstrong to Margarita Seymour Pabst, British Columbia Department of Vital Statistics, 'General Register of Marriages for British Columbia', dated 30th April 1894, file #1894-09-006151. Held by and extracted from the Provincial Archives of British Columbia (Victoria, BC, Canada). Refer to Exhibit II for a copy of this source record.

⁷ Obituary Notice for Margareta Seymour Pabst-Armstrong (Mrs. Wellington Armstrong), "Deaths" in the *Toronto Star* (Toronto, ON). 21st March 1962 (Wed.), p. 40, col. 4. She is buried in the Mount Pleasant Cemetery at Toronto, Ontario. Refer to Exhibit IV for a copy of this source record.

⁸ Marriage Record of Wellington Willoughby Armstrong to Margarita Seymour Pabst, British Columbia Department of Vital Statistics, 'General Register of Marriages for British Columbia', dated 30th April 1894, file #1894-09-006151. Held by and extracted from the Provincial Archives of British Columbia (Victoria, BC, Canada). Refer to Exhibit II for a copy of this source record; Marriage Announcement of W.W. Armstrong (ow Winnipeg, MB) to Rita Seymour Pabst (d/o J. T. Pabst of Victoria, BC), "Married" in the *Victoria Daily Colonist* (Victoria, BC), dated 5th May 1894, p. 8, col. 1. Held by and extracted from the Provincial Archives of British Columbia (Victoria, BC, Canada). Refer to Exhibit V for a copy of this source record.

⁹ Military Service File for Irving Wellington Armstrong, Canadian Expeditionary Forces Personnel Records, RG-150, Acc. 1992-93/166, Box 230 - 39. Held by and extracted from the Library & Archives Canada (Ottawa, ON, Canada). Refer to Exhibit VI for a copy of the Attestation Papers (only) of this source record.

¹⁰ Obituary Notice for Irving Wellington Armstrong, "Deaths" in the *Toronto Star* (Toronto, ON). 15th January 1982 (Fri.), p. C16, col. 2. Held by and extracted from the Archives of Ontario (Toronto, ON). He was cremated and is buried in the Mount Pleasant Cemetery at Toronto, Ontario. Refer to Exhibit VII for a copy of this source record; and Interment Record for Irving Wellington Armstrong into Mount Pleasant Cemetery (Toronto, ON), plot 14, Section 8, Lot 15.

¹¹ Birth Certificate for Arnold Willoughby Armstrong, Ontario Department of Vital Statistics, 'General Register of Births for Ontario', (Thunder Bay, ON), #1907-005007, dated 20th August 1907. Held by and extracted from the Archives of Ontario (Toronto, ON, Canada). Refer to Exhibit VIII for a copy of this source record.

¹² Death Certificate for Arnold Willoughby Armstrong, Ontario Department of Vital Statistics, 'General Register of Deaths for Ontario', file #1978-05-001832, reg. 18th January 1978. Held by and extracted from the Registrar of Vitals Statistics for Ontario (Thunder Bay, ON). Refer to Exhibit IX for a copy of this source record; and Last Will & Testament for Arnold Willoughby Armstrong, Surrogate Court of the Judicial District of York (Ontario), file # unk., dated February 1978. Held by the Surrogate Court of Ontario (Toronto, ON). Refer to Exhibit X for a copy of this source record.

Gordon, as you know, died unmarried and without issue as far as we both can determine.

The intestate's brother, Arnold Willoughby Armstrong (aka, Glenn Allan), was married early in adult life and does not appear to have divorced, though was openly gay by mid-life. His death has been found, and people that knew him have been spoken to in attempts to determine details on his marriage and children. These subjects knew of his marriage though indicated that he had no issue, which was confirmed by this death and probate record. We made no effort to seek out his marriage nor this wife's whereabouts as it would be irrelevant to this investigation.

The remaining sibling, Irving Wellington Armstrong, married a Helen Elizabeth Scapis (b. circa 1908 in Baltimore, MD¹³; d. 30th December 1995 at Georgetown, ON¹⁴) and produced two children. all of whom are now deceased - **Norman Wellington Armstrong** (b. 29th November 1943 in Toronto¹⁵, ON; d. 28th November 2006 at Toronto, ON¹⁶) and **Joan Elizabeth Armstrong-Jones** (b. 14th August 1937 at Toronto, ON¹⁷; d. 12th January 2005 at Montréal, QC¹⁸). Both children produced families of their own.

Norman Wellington Armstrong married a woman named 'Susan' who is still alive (living with her son for the moment) and together they produced two surviving children - **Terry Armstrong** (b. circa 1966 in Toronto) and **Kathleen Armstrong-Spiteri** (b. circa 1969 in Toronto). Contact details for these three subjects are as follows and all are aware of this case, though we did not release our client's name or contact information -

¹³ Interment Record for Helen Elizabeth Scapis-Armstrong (Mrs. Irving Wellington Armstrong) into Mount Pleasant Cemetery (Toronto, ON), plot 14, Section 8, Lot 15.

¹⁴ Obituary Notice for Helen Elizabeth Scapis-Armstrong (Mrs. Irving Wellington Armstrong), "Deaths" in the *Toronto Star* (Toronto, ON). 3rd January 1996 (Wed.), p. C6, col. 1. Held by and extracted from the Archives of Ontario (Toronto, ON). Refer to Exhibit XI for a copy of this source record; and Burial Record for Helen Elizabeth Scapis-Armstrong into the Mount Pleasant Cemetery (Toronto, ON) plot 14, Section 8, Lot 15.

¹⁵ Cremation and Interment Record for Norman Wellington Armstrong into Mount Pleasant Cemetery (Toronto, ON) at Elgin Mills Crematorium/Cemetery .

¹⁶ Obituary Notice for Norman Wellington Armstrong, "Deaths" in the *Toronto Star* (Toronto, ON). 30th November 2006 (Thu.), p. C20, col. 1. Held by and extracted from the Archives of Ontario (Toronto, ON). Refer to Exhibit XII for a copy of this source record; and Cremation and Interment Record for Norman Wellington Armstrong into Mount Pleasant Cemetery (Toronto, ON) at Elgin Mills Crematorium/Cemetery .

¹⁷ Cremation Record for Joan Elizabeth Armstrong-Jones at Notre Dame des Neiges Cemetery Crematorium (Montréal, QC).

¹⁸ Obituary Notice for Joan Elizabeth Armstrong-Jones (Mrs. Ronald N. Jones), "Deaths" in the *Montréal Gazette* (Montréal, QC), dated 14th January 2005 (Fri.), unk. page. Held by and extracted from the Nationale Archives du Québec (Montréal, QC). Refer to Exhibit XIII for a copy of this source record; and Cremation Record for Joan Elizabeth Armstrong-Jones at Notre Dame des Neiges Cemetery Crematorium (Montréal, QC).

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Lastly, in regards to Joan Elizabeth Armstrong-Jones, Joan married a Ronald Neal Jones and produced one child - **Cassandra Marilyn Jones-Bellamy** (b. 17th December 1963 at Ontario¹⁹). Cassandra married a Gerald Eduard Bellamy (b. 21st July 1990 at QC) on the 12th April 1963 at Pointe Claire, QC²⁰ and they have three children (Albert, Phillipe, and Daniel), all residing at Bellancher, QC (a suburb of Montréal). Contact details for this subject is as follows and she is aware of this case, though we did not release our client's name or contact information -

Cassandra (and Gerry) Bellamy

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¹⁹ Marriage Record of Cassandra Marilyn Jones to Gerald Eduard Bellamy, Québec Directeur de l'état civil (Montréal, QC), 'Statistical Return of Marriages for Québec', file #1990-111942, dated 25th July 1990. Held by and extracted from the Nationale Archives du Québec (Montréal, QC).

²⁰ Marriage Record of Cassandra Marilyn Elizabeth Jones to Gerald Eduard Bellamy, Québec Directeur de l'état civil (Montréal, QC), 'Statistical Return of Marriages for Québec', file #1990-111942, dated 25th July 1990. Held by and extracted from the Nationale Archives du Québec (Montréal, QC).

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE WORK: No further suggestions are made at this time as objectives have been met.

Please be advised that all the heirs are very skeptical of this so you need to be upfront with them, and gently encourage them to be patient with the process. We believe that they will be accommodating. We have informed them that our client is very reliable and trustworthy though have not provided them with your name nor contact information.

This matter should now close this case for us and the heirs await contact from you directly, which we indicated to them would be in less than three (3) weeks. Please find enclosed our billing on this matter encompassing our invoices for May, June, July, August and September.

It has been a pleasure working for you on this case though I apologize for the long delay in getting it concluded. Should you have any questions or concerns on this case, please do not hesitate contacting us again at your earliest convenience.

Cordially yours,

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Chairman and C.E.O.

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Enclosures