

Letter by Julie Ciucias

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To the Editor:

I have known Jennifer Berkenstock as my neighbor for close to 15 years. During that time, I have needed to use an elder law attorney and the probate court system to deal with matters related to my elderly parents. When I needed an elder law attorney I called Jennifer to assist me. While Jennifer had given up her practice at that time, she was a wonderful resource for me. Jennifer took the time to make specific recommendations on elder law attorneys she knew and explained why she was referring these individuals to me based on their experience, competence and style.

I have also used the probate court system in different towns during the past fifteen years and only wish I had had someone like Jennifer to deal with. My experience with probate court judges has been difficult and challenging. Without question, Jennifer has the specialized elder care law and probate experience needed for the position of probate judge, but she has something not all of them have and that is the ability to actively listen, compassion, respect, courtesy, and the preservation of dignity.

Please vote for Jennifer Berkenstock for probate judge.

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