



Dear Secretary,

Re Special Disability Trust – Senate Inquiry

We write in response to the above. Recently we sought a ruling from the State Administrative Tribunal [SAT] about our rights concerning the guardianship of our intellectually disabled son. In the course of the discussions the possibility of setting up a Special Disability Trust was raised.

We were warned by the SAT officer that the administrative requirements were onerous and complex and that individual family involvement could be compromised [assuming that the minimum of \$500 000 could be found].

We were very sure that we did not want our son's sister or brother to have to be involved in any such administrative constraints and nor do we want the Public Trust Office to be involved in any way with our son's management.

We appreciate having the opportunity to contribute to this inquiry.

Yours sincerely,


E.J. Guthrie
6th June, 2008

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