

APPLICATION FOR INSANITY INQUEST

TO THE JUDGE OF THE ~~SUPERIOR~~ ^{CIRCUIT} COURT OF Adams County, Indiana:

Your informant respectfully represents that one Bertha Weaver now residing in said county, is insane and a fit subject for custody and treatment in a State Hospital for Insane, as he verily believes, and he therefore asks that necessary steps be taken to examine into her condition, as the law provides in such cases. Your informant further states that to his best knowledge and belief, the legal settlement of said Bertha Weaver is in Indiana; that said Bertha Weaver came to Indiana 1884 from Birth and became a resident of Adams County 1884. This person's places of residence for three years prior to coming to Indiana were

In making this petition, I do hereby certify that I am a Brother of said ; that I am a legal resident of Adams County, and that my address is Geneva, Ind.

In case of emergency, notify Gilbert L. Buckey Geneva, Indiana Telephone Telegraph station

PERSONAL HISTORY

Of Bertha B. Weaver
Born (Month) Dec (Day) 14 (Year) 1884 Place Adams Co. Ind.
Color white Sex female Married Single Widowed X Divorced Separated
IF A WOMAN: Is she pregnant? no Number of children borne 5 Present age of youngest 44
Has she passed menopause? yes
Birthplace of father Adams Co. Indiana Birthplace of mother Adams Co. Indiana
If person is of foreign birth, give date of entry into the United States Steamship line Steamship Port of entry
If of foreign birth, is person naturalized?
Education: None Reads only Reads and writes Common school 8
High school College Religion Protestant Occupation housewife Where last employed and how long? Jay Garment Portland Ind. 5 years
Estate: Value Nature
Guardian: Name Address

HISTORY OF INSANITY

How long have you known this person? 44 yrs. Have you known this person intimately? son
When was the first sign of insanity observed by you? After her husband died.
What was the first sign of insanity observed by you? Didn't know or wouldn't admit that her husband had died.
Was the present attack gradual or sudden in its onset? has grown steadily worse from the time her husband died.
State what leads you to believe this person is insane doesn't know her children doesn't know how to control herself.
What moral deficiencies have been shown?
What was the mental and moral disposition in health?
Number of previous attacks of mental disorder?
Has this person been a patient in any hospital for insane? Where, when and how long?
Has this person suffered serious physical injury? slight heart attack If so, give particulars
Has this person suffered any serious illness? State when and of what nature
Has this person suffered any great mental shock or strain? when her husband died, 1957
Has this person required feeding, seclusion or restraint? yes Explain fully she will not eat unless food is given to her on a plate.
Has this person been addicted to any drugs? none Explain fully
(Answer yes or no.) Is person paralytic? none Violent? Destructive? Racited?
Depressed? Homicidal? Suicidal? Is there any physical defect or deformity?
Has person ever suffered from syphilis? no Has there been a Wasserman test? no Positive?
Negative? Does person indulge or has person indulged in any venereal excess?
Is person epileptic? Was person feeble-minded in childhood?

I have also received the following information from others relative to the patient's condition:

(SEAL)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of June s/ Norman E. Beaver M.D. 19 59

s/ Richard D. Lewton Clerk Adams Circuit Court

STATEMENT OF MEDICAL EXAMINER

I, Howard M. Luginbill M.D., of Berne in the County of Adams Indiana, do hereby certify that I am duly licensed to practice medicine in Indiana; that I am not related, by consanguinity or marriage, to Bertha Weaver of said County, who is alleged to be insane, and whom I have carefully and personally examined this 19 day of June 19 59; that I am of the opinion that she is mentally ill and is a proper person for detention, care and treatment in a State Hospital; and that I have formed my opinion that she is mentally ill from the following facts observed by me. (Describe physical and mental conditions, appearance and behavior of patient.)

The patient is an elderly white female who appears to be opathetic and disinterested in her status. There is general arteriosclerotic deterioration, particularly cerebral, evidenced by lack of judgment and reasoning power, disorientations, and severe memory loss. She is hostile to those who try to help her. She cannot be trusted alone, for fear of what she may do to harm herself or things around her. She has shown acts of violence to her own children without provocation. She refuses ;to cooperate even on usual routine matters for her own care or welfare. She is nearly always confused and cannot be relied on.

I have also received the following information from others relative to the patient's condition:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of June s/ Howard M. Luginbill M.D. 19 59

(SEAL)

s/ Richard D. Lewton Clerk Adams Circuit Court

JUDGE'S ORDER OF COMMITMENT

In the matter of the application for the commitment of Bertha B. Weaver to the Richmond State Hospital: Comes now Gilbert L. Buckey who filed application for the commitment of Bertha B. Weaver to the Richmond State Hospital, alleging therein that said Bertha B. Weaver is a resident of Adams County and has her legal settlement in the State of Indiana, and is insane. And having read such application and heard such other evidence as was deemed necessary to a full investigation of the facts stated in such application, I Myles F. Parrish Judge of the Circuit Court of the County of Adams Indiana, do hereby find and determine that the said Bertha B. Weaver is insane and is in need of hospital care, and do hereby order her committed to the Richmond State Hospital; and this shall be sufficient warrant and authority for her admission, confinement and detention for care and treatment in said hospital until she shall be restored to health, or removed or discharged according to law. And the clerk of this court is hereby directed to apply forthwith to the superintendent of the Richmond State Hospital for the admission of the said Bertha B. Weaver and to transmit with said application to said superintendent for his information, copies of all statements and certificates submitted, and to certify thereto under seal of this court.

(SEAL)

s/ Myles F. Parrish Adams Circuit Court Judge of the

STATE OF INDIANA

Adams COUNTY } SS: I, Richard D. Lewton Clerk of the Circuit Court, and ex-officio Clerk of the Superior Court of said county, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the application, including statement of the attending physician, for the commitment of Bertha B. Weaver to the Richmond State Hospital; and the statements of the two medical examiners appointed by the court to examine said person, and the court's order of commitment in said matter.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and fix the seal of said court, this 26 day of June 1959

[SEAL]

s/ Richard D. Lewton Clerk Adams Circuit Court

ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION

Transcripts of all the foregoing statements and certificates duly certified under the seal of the court were transmitted to the Superintendent Richmond State Hospital together with application for her admission as a patient in said hospital and afterwards, to wit: On the /28/ day of /July/ 1959, an answer was received as follows:

STATE HOSPITAL 19

To the Clerk of the Adams Circuit Court, Adams County, Indiana:

The receipt of a transcript of the proceedings in the matter of the inquest as to the insanity of with application for the admission of said person into this Hospital, is hereby respectfully acknowledged. According to the provisions of an Act Concerning Insanity Inquests, etc., approved March 4th, 1927, the application is

//s//J//Klepfer// M. D. Medical Superintendent

ORDER OF COURT

The receipt of the acceptance of the application for the admission of Bertha B. Weaver to the Adams Circuit Court of Adams County, Indiana, as a patient was referred to the Judge of Adams County, Indiana, and being fully advised he made an order directing that they so desire; and if they, or any of them, do not so desire, by a suitable attendant, or by the County Sheriff, together with assistants and a female attendant, if the patient be a female, as required by law and that due return be made of the complete execution of this order. Witness my hand and the seal of Adams Circuit Court, Adams County, this 26th day of June 19 59 s/ Richard D. Lewton Clerk P. O. Address of Patient (SEAL) St. Indiana.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECEIPT

STATE HOSPITAL

RECEIVED, this 20 day of July A. D. 19 59 the patient named in the above order of court s/ J. Klepfer M. D. Medical Superintendent

RETURN ON COMMITMENT

CAME TO HAND 20th July 1959, and served by conveying the within named Bertha B. Weaver and committing her to the Richmond State Hospital, as shown by the Superintendent's receipt hereon endorsed this 20th day of July 19 59 s/ Merle Affolder Sheriff, Adams County, Indiana

ORDER OF DISCHARGE

STATE HOSPITAL

Indiana 19

To the Clerk of the Court, County, Indiana:

According to the provisions of an Act Concerning Insanity Inquests, etc., approved March 4th, 1927, the proper authority has this day discharged of County, Indiana, heretofore an inmate of this Hospital; and you are hereby respectfully requested to cause removal to said County, agreeable to said Act.

PROVIDED, That said removal has not otherwise been accomplished, as herein noted.

N. B.

Very respectfully,

M. D. Medical Superintendent

ORDER FOR PATIENT'S RETURN

STATE OF INDIANA, COUNTY, ss:

To the Sheriff of County, Greeting:

WHEREAS, the proper authority has directed that a patient in the State Hospital, from this County, be removed from said Hospital. You are therefore hereby commanded forthwith to remove said patient and return to Township, in this County.

WITNESS, my hand and the seal of the Court, this day of Clerk

A. D. 19

SHERIFF'S RETURN ON ORDER FOR PATIENT'S RETURN

CAME TO HAND 19, and duly served same by removing said patient to Township, in said County.

This 19 Sheriff County