

The beneficiaries had periodically tried to obtain information from Bell who was less than cooperative and who would hang up on the beneficiaries. (Cheri Fontenot Bell pg. 89-91, Ruby Bell pg. 188) In 2001 the beneficiaries hired attorney Glenn Marcantel who made an informal, written request for information and an accounting on 7/31/01. (PE-6.) Prior to making this demand, Cheri Fontenot Bell called her aunt, Lou Mull, who was the only sibling who maintained a relationship with Sue Bell, to tell her the request for an accounting was coming. Lou Mull told Ms. Fontenot it was going to "end up opening a can of worms." (Cheri Fontenot pg. 94, PACER 117) Mr. Marcantel's inquiry was directed to Sue Bell. (PE-6) It was responded to by attorney Stan Gauthier who represented himself as the attorney for Sue Bell as Trustee of the Trust. (PE-6) A review of the correspondence between Marcantel and Gauthier will show that Marcantel persisted in requesting information on the assets and expenses of the Trust. Gauthier repeatedly promised to provide certain information but never provided what Marcantel requested. Marcantel had requested an accounting under La. R.S. 9:2088 in his first letter dated 7/31/01. (PE-6) Gauthier only produced the Trust, the purported amendment, the two (2) donations and year-end financial statements for the years 1998, 1999 and 2000. (PE-6) An accounting was never provided until 3/28/02, with a "corrected" accounting subsequently provided on 5/8/02. During the time that the beneficiaries were requesting an accounting, Bell received an offer for the purchase of the mineral rights of the Trust. The offer was \$120,000.00 cash. (PE-15) This was around the time that Bell said the mineral unit was "depleting". (Bell 2/20 pg.47, PACER 120) During the same time Bell started preparing an invoice (PE-10) to retroactively bill the Trust for her services for the period June 6, 1998 through August 2001 claiming a total indebtedness due her from the Trust in the amount of \$330,151.60. (PE-10, pg. 1) Bell also formed Sue Bell Holdings, LLC on 8/21/01 in express contemplation of a Dation en Paiement of Trust property to herself. (PE-11 also S. Bell 2/20 pg 7, PACER 120) Through the

