

The Brooke Astor Story:
Hard-Learned Lessons that Inform
Psychiatry and the Law Toward Realizing
Elder Justice, from Trauma to
Transformation

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Brooke Astor. People Magazine. August 27, 2007

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Assessment of Older Adults with Diminished Capacity: A Handbook for Psychologists, American Bar Association Commission on Law and Aging, American Psychological Society, Association Assessment of Capacity in Older Adults Project Working Group, p. 29, 2008.

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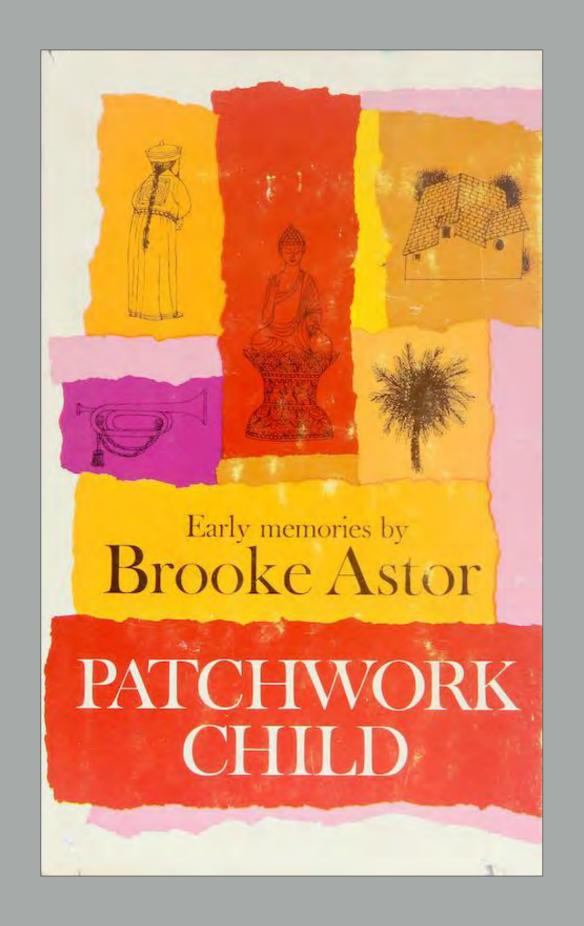
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"Temple of Heaven with Tarere (Little Peach) aged 10," Brooke Astor, Běijīng, 1912. Personal collection.



Astor, Brooke. *Patchwork Child*. New York: Random House. 1962



Left: Vincent Astor with sister Alice at 'Ferncliffe' in Rhinebeck, NY.

Below: Last Will & Testament, June 26, 1958. Re: The Vincent Astor Foundation

FIFTEENTH: All the rest, residue and remainder of my property and estate, real and personal, of whatever nature and wherever situated and whether acquired by me before or after the execution of this will, including any property hereinbefore mentioned but not effectually disposed of (but excluding any property over which I may have a mere power of testamentary disposition or appointment), all of which is herein called my residuary estate, I give and devise absolutely to The Vincent Astor Foundation, a New York corporation.



Brooke Astor, President, The Vincent Astor Foundation beginning January 27, 1960 (at age 59) until 1997 (at age 95).



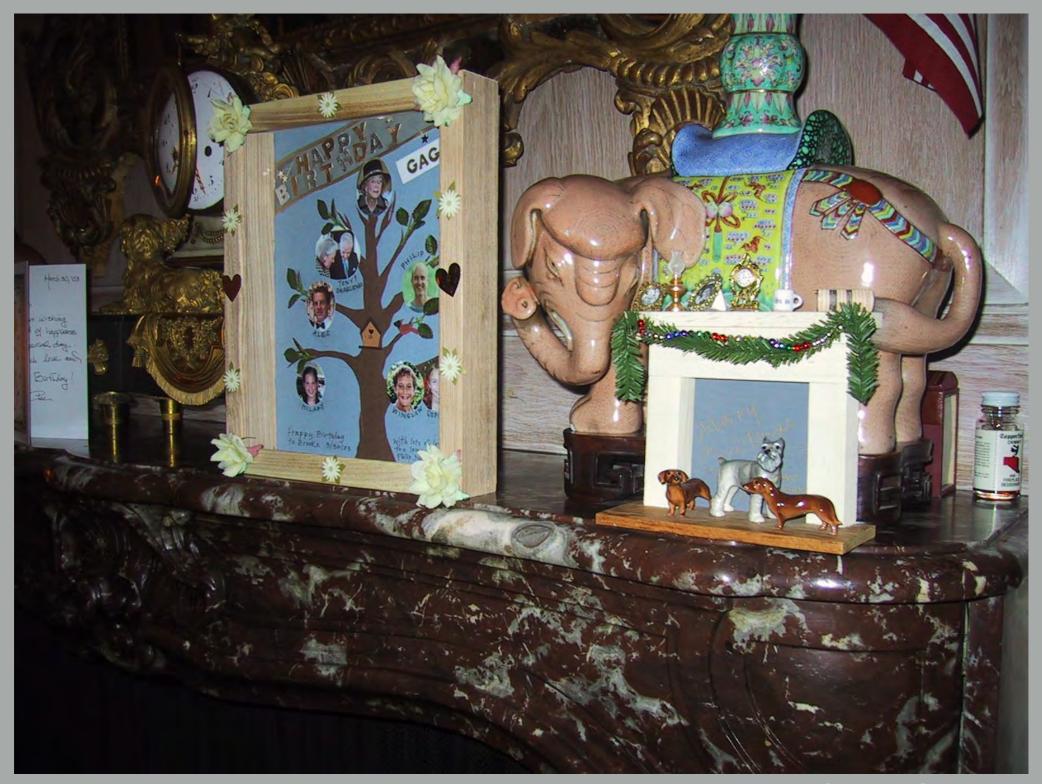
Brooke Astor. Photographer: Mark Peterson/CORBIS for *The New York Times Magazine*,



Brooke Astor (at age 96) and President Clinton, 1998. Photographer: Harry Hamburg.



"Disaster for Mrs. Astor," Stunning Court Allegations. New York Daily News, July 26, 2006, Getty Images, New York Daily News archives.



Family tree, birthday present to Brooke Astor from Starr-Marshall family. Nan Starr, artist. March 30, 2003. 'Holly Hill,,' Briarcliff, New York



Family tree, birthday present to Brooke Astor from Starr-Marshall family. Nan Starr, artist. March 30, 2003. 'Holly Hill,,' Briarcliff, New York



Buddy and Brooke Marshall, Tony Kuser (Brooke's son, who, at 18, changed his last name to Marshall). Tyringham, Massachusetts (?), circa 1933.



Major General John H. Russell, 16th Commandant of the Marine Corps.



HEADQUARTERS U.S. MARINE CORPS. COMMANDANT'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON. 29. October 1935.

Dear Tony:

Last, but far from least. - I would develop myself physically. I would spend my spare time in the gymnasium and on the athletic field developing my muscles. I would learn to play all the games that boys play and I would try to play them all well.

In addition, I would learn how to box. If necessary, I would save up from money that my mother gave me and take extra lessons in boxing. The boy who knows how to handle his fists is always respected. Look around among the boys at your school. How few of them know anything about boxing, and those who know are always respected by the others. It has been my experience that such boys, or men, are not bullies; on the contrary, they stand for right and justice. Furthermore, the boy who knows how to use his hands, and few boys or men do, has confidence in himself. It gives him a feeling of strength that he can not attain in any other way.

Letter to Anthony Marshall from his grandfather John Henry Russell. October 29, 1935



Anthony D. Marshall with his mother, Brooke Astor,1992. Photograph: Bill Cunningham, The New York Times.

Brooke's shame over her slacker son

He was the biggest disappointment in his mother's life.

Legendary society doyenne and philanthropist Brooke Astor confessed that her only child, Anthony Marshall, turned out so badly she decided not to have any more

She once told a friend, "He never made anything of himself," according to testi-

The jury decided yesterday he did make something of himself - a criminal.

A little more than two years after she died at 105, the panel agreed that he helped himself to more than \$60 million of his socialite mother's fortune, forever tarnishing the name of one of New York's most distinguished families.

Thanks to his family connections, Marshall, 85, has had a variety of careers - including theatrical producer, Marine, CIA intelligence officer and ambassador.

His mom once quipped, "It cost more than \$100,000" for his ambassadorships, referring to political contributions that greased the way for the appointments.

Now his title is convicted felon, and he faces the prospect of spending up to 25 years — almost certainly the rest of his life - behind bars.

Marshall, known as Tony, was born May 30, 1924. His dad was Brooke Astor's first husband, New Jersey state Sen. John Dry-

Marshall's relations with his father were somewhat strained. But he adored his mother's second husband, stockbroker and socialite Charles Marshall, and adopted his surname when he turned 18.

Charles Marshall was the love of Brooke Astor's life, but he died early, forcing her to turn to magazine writing to maintain her lifestyle. She soon accepted a proposal from millionaire Vincent Astor, of the renowned real-estate and fur-trading clan.

Her disappointing son always seemed to be an afterthought. She would go off on trips for months at a time, leaving him at

her Park Avenue penthouse.

Tony attended the Brooks School in North Andover, Mass. He enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1942 and became a war hero, winning the Purple Heart for leading a contingent of soldiers into battle at Iwo Jima. After the war, he enrolled in Brown University.

From 1958 to 1959, Marshall was the US consul in Istanbul, and from 1969 to 1971, he was the US ambassador to the Malagasy Republic (now Madagascar). From 1972 to 1974, he was ambassador to Trini-

dad and Tobago.

In the 1980s, he was an officer with the United States Trust Company of New York, working on large estate accounts.

Marshall married his first wife, Elizabeth Cryan, in Wynnewood, Pa., in July 1947. They had twin sons, Alexander, now a photographer, and Philip, currently a professor of architectural preservation at Roger Williams University in Bristol, RI.

Philip would prove to be his father's un-

Marshall married his second wife, Thelma Hoegnell, in December 1962. They divorced 28 years later, after he had a fling with Charlene Gilbert, the wife of an Episcopal priest in Northeast Harbor, Maine.

Northeast Harbor is a blueblood enclave on Mount Desert Island, where Bar Harbor is located. Marshall met Charlene while summering there - his mother had



a mansion in the tony town. He and Charlene were married in 1992.

Tony and Charlene, who was born poor, lived the good life. They became Broadway producers, doing such shows as "Long Day's Journey into Night" (2003) and "I Am My Own Wife" (2004), which

won a Tony.

Brooke had spent a lifetime underwriting Tony's lifestyle - buying him a \$2.9 apartment and paying him \$450,000 a year to manage her money.

Tony had the legal authority to act on her behalf in some financial matters. Brooke instructed Tony that she wanted

her grandson Philip to inherit her Northeast Harbor home. But Tony disobeyed her, took over the ownership himself and transferred it to

Charlene, whom Brooke detested.

Marshall was eventually forced to give it back to his mother.

In 2006, Philip filed a suit accusing his father of neglecting the care of his Alzheimer's-inflicted grandmother by refusing to fill her prescriptions, keeping her apart from her beloved dogs, Boysie and Girlsie, and forcing her to sleep on a couch that reeked of urine

The civil suit was settled but led to criminal charges being filed against Mar-

Among other things, he was accused of talking his mother into believing she couldn't buy another dress until she sold her favorite painting — impressionist Childe Hassam's masterpiece "Up the Avenue from Thirty-Fourth Street, May

1917"- for \$10 million. Marshall allegedly pocketed \$2 million of the price of the

Astor seemed to have her son figured

"You only want to come to see how soon I'm going to die," she told him at one

The trial began at the end of March. Marshall soon suffered a stroke that sidelined him for two days. In July, he became dizzy and fell in the bathroom during a break. He was taken to the hospital on a

But, through it all, he kept his emotions in check, mostly staring straight ahead. He maintained that pose when he was convicted yesterday.

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Geller, Andy. "Brooke's Shame Over Her Slacker Son." New York Post. October, 9, 2009



Anthony Dryden Marshall and Elizabeth Cryan Marshall. 1950s.



Charlene Marshall and Anthony Marshall. *The New York Times,* July 29, 2006. "Charlene and Anthony D. Marshall at Brooke Astor's 100th birthday party at the Rockefeller estate, Kykuit, in Pocantico Hills, N.Y., March 2002." Photograph: Bill Cunningham.



Annette de la Renta and David Rockefeller at Brooke Astor's funeral, St. Thomas Church, New York, August 17, 2007. *New York Daily News*.



Brooke Astor and Chris Ely, Briarcliff Manor, NY. 2003.



Brooke Astor with caregivers and Starr-Marshall family. 'Holly Hill,' Briarcliff Manor, New York. Summer, 2007.

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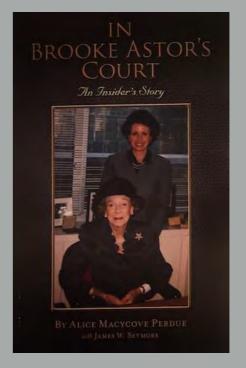
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With again, so many thanks for all you do for me.

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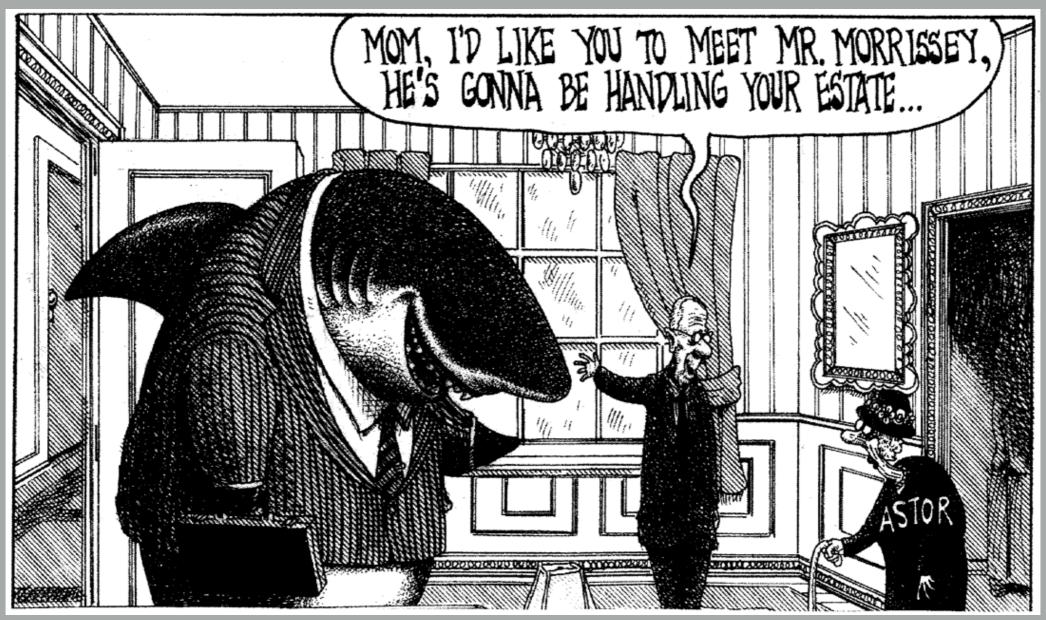
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Alice Macycove.
Brooke Astor's Court:
An Insider's Story.
Createspace, 2015.
Left: Letter from
Brooke Astor to Alice
Perdue. April 17,
1996.



Brooke Astor's 102th birthday 'party.' From left: Charlene Marshall (hand), Francis X. Morrissey Jr., Brooke Astor, Anthony Marshall, Reverend Canon John Andrews. Photograph: Alec Marshall. March 2004.



"Mom, I'd like you to meet Mr. Morrissey, he' gonna be handling your estate..." *New York Post*. August 9, 2006.



Philip and his father, Tony Marshall. Northeast Harbor Maine. 1980s.



Brooke Astor with Starr-Marshall family. Northeast Harbor, Maine. Summer, 2000.

778 Park Avenue

March 13, 1997

Aparet han and Philip

So many thanks for sending me back my poems. I was very glad to get them as I am now keeping all the things that could be read when I am on my way to heaven.

I miss you both and I wish, wish, wish that we could all be together more often.

Much much dove Broke "gaga" Mr. & Mrs. Philip Marshall
433 Elm Street
South Dartmouth, MA 02748

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Letter from Brooke "Gaga" [sic] to Nan and Philip. March 13, 1997

Scheme to Defraud

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

-against-

ANTHONY MARSHALL, FRANCIS MORRISSEY,

Defendants.

THE GRAND JURY OF THE COUNTY OF NEW YORK, by this indictment, accuse the defendants ANTHONY MARSHALL and FRANCIS MORRISSEY of the crime of SCHEME TO DEFRAUD IN THE FIRST DEGREE, in violation of Penal Law §190.65(1)(b), committed as follows:

Supreme Court of the United States. The People of the State of New York -against- Anthony Marshall, Francis Morrissey. Indictment n.d. (on copy)

Power of Attorney

"(A (M) This power of attorney specifically authorizes the attorney-infact to make gifts on the principal's behalf to the principal's family members, including any family member acting as attorney-in-fact, and to charity.

This Durable Gener	al Power of Attorney may be revoked by me	at any time.
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	(YOU SIGN HERE:) - LYM	(Signature of Principal)
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before my, the undersigned, personally appeared

Durable Power of Attorney. Brooke Russell Astor to Anthony Marshall and Henry Christensen III. Dated, May 18, 2000.

Alzheimer's

My comments are as follows:

Early signs of Alzheimer's

Memory and Concentration

#10 Misplacement of important items. Any loose object (eyeglasses, gloves, papers...) is misplaced and then someone (ie. a maid) is blamed for not having given them to her or hidden it/them.

#10 Confusion about how to perform simple tasks: (Your test of assembling the red diamond blocks) Difficulty in dressing (she has a maid). Writing/spelling are increasing problems.

Letter to Howard Fillit, M.D., from Anthony D. Marshall neurologist, gerontologist, December 26, 2000. Page 1

Alzheimer's

#10 (2) Mood: By way of comparison with the above, Dr. Rees Pritchett wanted me to accompany Mother on her visit to see you. Mother told me emphatically on the telephone "that" morning that she did not want me to go with her and added, "I don't ever see you." (completely untrue) "Your being with me would make me nervous. If I say you can't go you'll think I'm crazy. So you go." When I arrived Mother, who was half-an-hour late to leave for her appointment with you, said to me: "You only want to come

to see how soon I will die." "Why are you coming?" When we got out of the elevator and into the car I led her onto other subjects.

Letter to Howard Fillit, M.D., from Anthony D. Marshall neurologist, gerontologist, December 26, 2000. Page 1



Death Wish: Astor's stunning jab at her son. New York Post. May 6, 2009.

Alzheimer's

#10 Trouble with simple arithmetic (Your test of purchasing an item with change from \$10) Completely incomprehensible. Values have become unidentifiable. Mother asked me "what is my income?" I told her, giving the annual figure. "Is that for the month or year?"

#9 Difficulty making routine decisions: Making, changing appointments. Increasingly accepting an invitation lunch, dinner, meeting (including a dinner where she is the honoree) then canceling at the last moment on the day of the event.

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Alzheimer's

Unpredictable mood changes:

The greatest problem: (1) Constant mood changes, sometime very strong and erratic. Mood changes are not a new event in her life, but date from about three years ago and have increased dramatically and accelerated during the past six months and especially during the past 4-6 weeks. Mother has said to me and to her secretary that she thinks that she is "going crazy" and that others may think so. This morning (December 26) when I said goodbye to her at Holly Hill having spent Christmas with her, she told me how much she enjoyed having us (there were no other guests) for Christmas and how much she enjoyed and appreciated our presents including a small decorative teapot I had given her (she loves teapots). Then she added, in a calm voice, "I don't know what's the matter with me. I feel awful. I feel I'm losing my mind. I wish I knew what was the matter with me. It would be better to die than go on feeling this way." Four hours later when she had returned to the City she telephoned me to thank me for the teapot that I had left at the apartment for her. I reminded her that I had given to her the previous evening. "I don't remember."

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Brooke Astor was not all there, ex-butler Chris Ely says in trial of Astor's son Anthony Marshall. Joanna Molloy, *New York Daily News*, June 9, 2009. Sketch: Jane Rosenberg.



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

2 January 2001

Dear Mrs. Astor,

Nane and I would like to extend our heartfelt thanks for the dinner you so graciously hosted for us on 18 December. We both enjoyed a lovely evening memorable for its marvellous food and fascinating conversation.

Please accept our best wishes for the New Year.

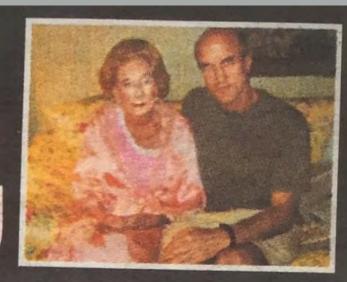
Yours sincerely,

Kofi A. Annan

Mrs. Brooke Astor New York Letter to Mrs. Vincent Astor from Kofi A. Annan. January 2, 2001.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

She turned to me and looked across the table at my father, and said, 'Is that your brother?' I just said, 'No,' and I didn't go into it. I just said, 'No.'



— Brooke Astor's grandson, Philip Marshall (pictured with her), describing a family Easter luncheon at which the Alzheimer's-afflicted philanthropist didn't recognize her son, Anthony, in 2001 — two years before she was supposedly "competent" enough to sign over \$60 million in bequests to Tony and his wife, Charlene

New York Post. May 20, 2009. (Philip Marshall, re: testimony about Easter lunch, 2001



"This, Charlene...." New York Post. May 7, 2009.



"Brooke Astor celebrating her 100th birthday at the New York Public Library." Fiori, Pam. Sotheby's Magazine. August 20, 2012. Photograph: Don Pollard.

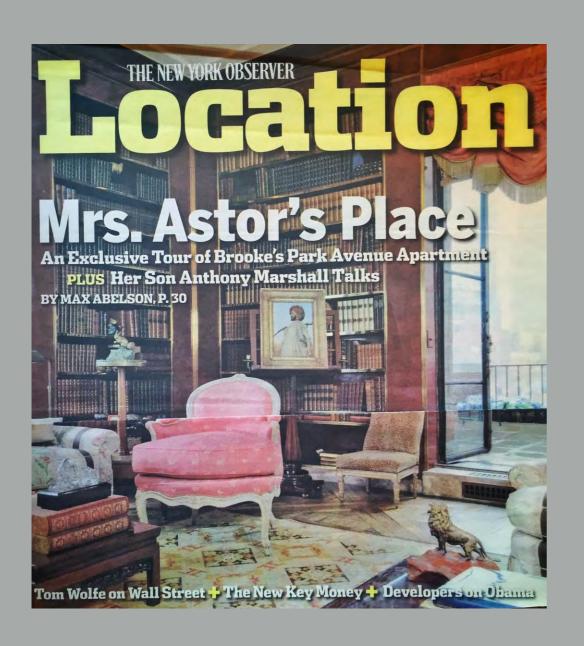


Cakes at Brooke Astor's 100th-birthday party hosted by David Rockefeller, Pocantico Hills, New York. March 2002.



Brooke Astor and David Rockefeller (right), who hosted her 100th-birthday party at the Rockefeller estate, Pocantico Hills, New York, March 2002.

(I) To my friend and attorney, HENRY CHRISTENSEN III, the oil painting of an Englishman dressed as an Arab in the library of my apartment, together with its wooden stand, as a fond remembrance of me;



Last Will and Testament of Brooke Russell Astor, Dated: January 30, 2002. Sullivan & Cromwell, Attorneys at Law. Article Sixth (I) re: Henry Christiansen IIII.

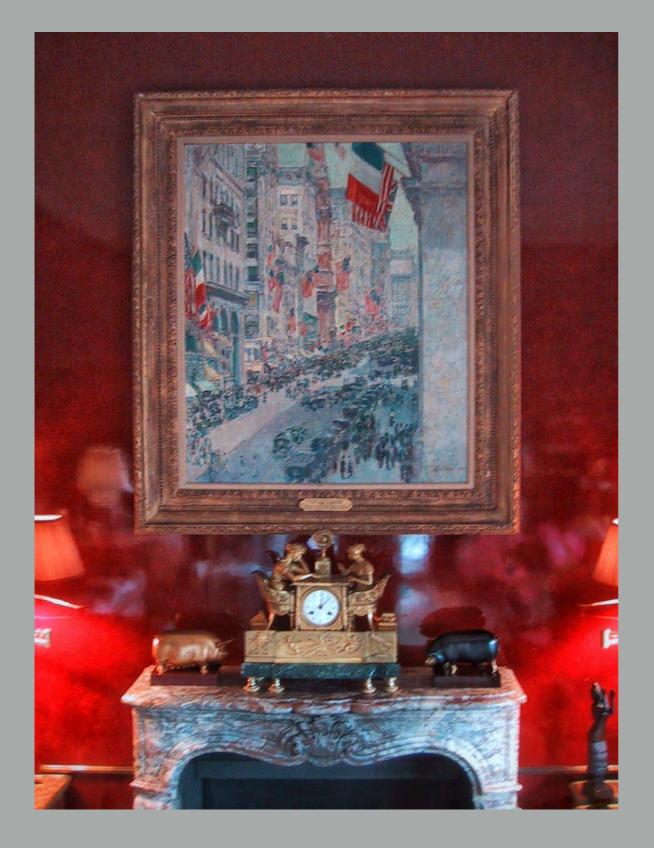
Mrs. Astor's Place,"

Location: The New York

Observer. Cover. n.d.



Living room, Brooke Astor's apartment, 778 Park Avenue, New York, New York. Circa 2000. Photograph: Philip C. Marshall





Above: Brooke Astor's Library, 778 Park Avenue, New York, circa 2007. Left: Childe Hassam. *Flags, Fifth Avenue* painting in Brooke Astor's Library, 778 Park Avenue, NY, May 23, 2001.

New York Report

The New Hork Times

A Painting Becomes Part of the Astor Family's Legal Warfare

By SERGE F. KOVALESKI

It was believed to be her most valuable work of art, and one of her favorites. The 36by-30-inch painting by the American impressionist Childe Hassam hung in a place of distinction: above the fireplace in the library of her Park Avenue duplex.

It's no wonder that Brooke Astor adored this canvas, "Flags, Fifth Avenue." The colors and scenes of spirited street life captured the vibrancy of the New York she loved, at the dawn of the 20th century, America's century, the century in which Mrs. Astor would evolve into the city's grande dame of giving and society.

Now, like so many things in Mrs. Astor's life, the painting - or more specifically, who sold the painting and how the trans-

Did Brooke Astor know of the sale of her favorite painting, and her son's commission?

action was handled - has become the focus of allegations and denials in the contentious legal battle over the 104-year-old philanthropist's care and fortune.

In early 2002, Mrs. Astor's son, Anthony D. Marshall, who had the authority to oversee her financial affairs, sold the painting to a gallery for about \$10 million. Mr. Marshall - accused by his son in court papers of neglecting the needs of Mrs. Astor while enriching himself - took a 20 percent commission on the deal, or \$2 million.

Over all, these facts are not in dispute. But they prompt different interpretations from those on various sides of the situation. Some who have known Mrs. Astor over the years say she knew about the sale of the painting, which she had owned for 32 years. They point out that there appeared to be no financial reason for her to sell the Hassam, peared to experience a mental decline be-

since she was living on about \$2 million a year from the \$60 million that her husband. Vincent Astor, had bequeathed for her personal use. In court papers, Philip Marshall, Anthony Marshall's son, said, "My father sold one of my grandmother's favorite

The 1917 painting is believed to be in a private collection now - two people with knowledge of the transaction said it had been resold for more than \$20 million - and the spot above the 18th-century French marble mantle in Mrs. Astor's library has been filled with a portrait of her father, Maj. Gen. John H. Russell, Mr. Marshall's lawyer

As the Astor story unfolds in State Supreme Court in Manhattan - the court papers were opened to the public yesterday under a judge's order - the painting can be viewed as a symbol of the issues at the center of the case: an ailing woman's prized possession sold under circumstances that remain unclear, and questions about whether the proceeds from the sale were dealt with appropriately by her son.

The questions come amid revelations about Mr. Marshall's handling of his mother's affairs: that he had checks totaling hundreds of thousands of dollars drawn on Mrs. Astor's personal accounts that were used to invest in theater productions in which he and his wife, Charlene, were involved, and that Mrs. Astor's estate in Maine was signed over to Mr. Marshall, who in turn signed it over to his wife.

In court papers that were unsealed yesterday, Philip Marshal accuses his father of using Mrs. Astor's money to pay for the staff, upkeep and taxes on the home in Maine. Mr. Marshall did not return calls seeking comment about the Hassam. But through a lawyer, Kenneth E. Warner, Mr. Marshall said that his mother was aware of the sale and had been consulted beforehand.

Mr. Warner, responding to questions via e-mail, also said that Mrs. Astor had suggested that her son collect a \$2 million commission on the transaction. Mrs. Astor was 100 in 2002; those who know her said she ap-



The sale by Brooke Astor's son of a Childe Hassam painting is questioned.

ginning sometime in 2003.

Mrs. Astor bought the painting for \$172,010 on March 13, 1970, through the art firm Wildenstein & Company, according to a copy of the bill of sale.

In an interview in The New York Times in 1999, Mrs. Astor described the Hassam work, in talking about how much she loved her library, and said, "I think it's one of the best he ever did."

Mr. Warner's e-mail messages stated that Mrs. Astor had agreed to sell the painting because she was ready for a change after having owned the work for three decades and wanted to take advantage of a lucrative investment. Those who have known Mrs. Astor expressed surprise that she would have parted with it.

Mr. Warner said by e-mail that in 1998. Christie's estimated the painting's value at \$6 million for insurance purposes, and that Mr. Marshall was aware of that figure when he was having discussions with the Gerald Peters Gallery.

According to Mr. Warner, the gallery talked to Mr. Marshall about selling the painting, and he discussed the overture with his mother, who was pleased with the \$10 million being offered, considering what she

"Of course she didn't need the money," Mr. Warner wrote. "She took pleasure from cashing in on such a wonderful investment, being able to reward her son with a commission and replacing the Hassam painting with a grand portrait of her much-adored fa-

Mr. Warner said that a contract was signed around February 2002 and that the payments were made in installments between then and November of that year. Gerald Peters, the president of the art business that bears his name, did not return numerous calls to his Santa Fe office.

Denise Greenlaw Ramonas, Mr. Peters's chief of staff, said last night that she was unable to comment about the Hassam painting because the company, as a rule, is bound by confidentiality requirements on the sale of

According to a provenance document about the painting, it appeared in a number of exhibitions between 1918 and 1968 at the Whitney Museum of American Art in New York, the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington, and other institutions.

In the years before Mr. Marshall sold the painting, Mrs. Astor, who gave millions of dollars to the Metropolitan Museum of Art and is a trustee emeritus there, had mentioned to some members of her staff that perhaps one day she would bequeath the painting to the museum, said two people with knowledge of Mrs. Astor's business affairs. They spoke on the condition of anonymity because of the pending court case.

Mr. Warner said that at the time of the sale in 2002, Mrs. Astor had no intention of passing the painting on to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, but that she did intend to give the museum some Hassam drawings

"They are there to be bequeathed," he

A spokeswoman for the museum declined to comment on whether there had ever been discussions about acquiring the Hassam painting, saying that the museum, as a matter of policy, did not comment on the acquisition process.

Kovaleski, Serge. "A Painting Becomes Part of the Astor's Family's Legal Warfare." The New York Times, September 1, 2006

Son eyed in tax rap for \$10M paint sale

By DAREH GREGORIAN and STEFANIE COHEN

Investigators are looking into possible tax-fraud charges against Anthony Marshall, the former ambassador who's been accused of mistreating his famed philanthropist mother, Brooke Astor, lawenforcement sources said.

The Manhattan District Attorney's Office — which is investigating forgery and other allegations against Marshall stemming from his handling of her money — has been focusing on Marshall's \$10 million sale of one of his mother's favorite paintings, "Flags, Fifth Avenue," law-enforcement sources said.

A source said Marshall, who had power of attorney over his mom's finances, had convinced the then-100-year-old to sell the Childe Hassam painting by telling her she was almost broke and needed the money. In reality, Astor's fortune was an estimated \$100 million.

Marshall sold the painting in 2002, and collected a \$2 million commission.

"Can I now afford to buy a new dress," a source quoted Astor as asking.

Marshall then made a multimillion-dollar error on Astor's tax return, claiming she'd originally bought the painting for \$7 million, as opposed to the \$172,000 she'd actually paid in 1970. The "gaffe" saved them over \$1 million in capital gains taxes.

Probers from DA Robert

Probers from DA Robert Morgenthau's office are looking into whether that was intentional tax fraud. If they determine it was,



PIECE OF WORK: The DA is probing whether Anthony Marshall (below right) avoided taxes on the sale mom Brooke Astor's "Flags, Fifth Avenue" painting.

Marshall, 83, would face felony tax law violations charges — and anywhere from no jail to seven years in prison if convicted.

Marshall's lawyer, Ken Warner, said, "we don't have any information" about the investigation. He has previously charac-

terized the faulty tax return as an innocent mistake on Marshall's part that he sought to correct as soon it was discovered. He called the claim that Marshall had duped Astor into selling the painting "ludicrous and false."

Allegations that Mar-

shall had been ripping off his mom first surfaced last summer, when Marshall's son, Philip Marshall, filed court papers charging he'd been skimping on her care while helping himself to millions of her dollars.

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Gregorian, Dareh and Stefanie Cohen. "Astor 'Con' Artist." *New York Post*. January 25, 2007

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Pine Hill Road, Bernardsville, NJ. Google Maps, 2006.

August 13th. 2003 Terry Christensen (TC) came to visit BRA. I took him upstairs to her bedroom, she was sitting on the sofa facing the window.

I did not overhear any of the conversation but I was told some of what was said by Marie the Nurse's aid.

TC "that in order to resolve the rift between the Marshalls and Mrs. Astor it would be nice if she took some of the money set aside in the will for her charities and left it to Cm [Charlene] and her daughters...

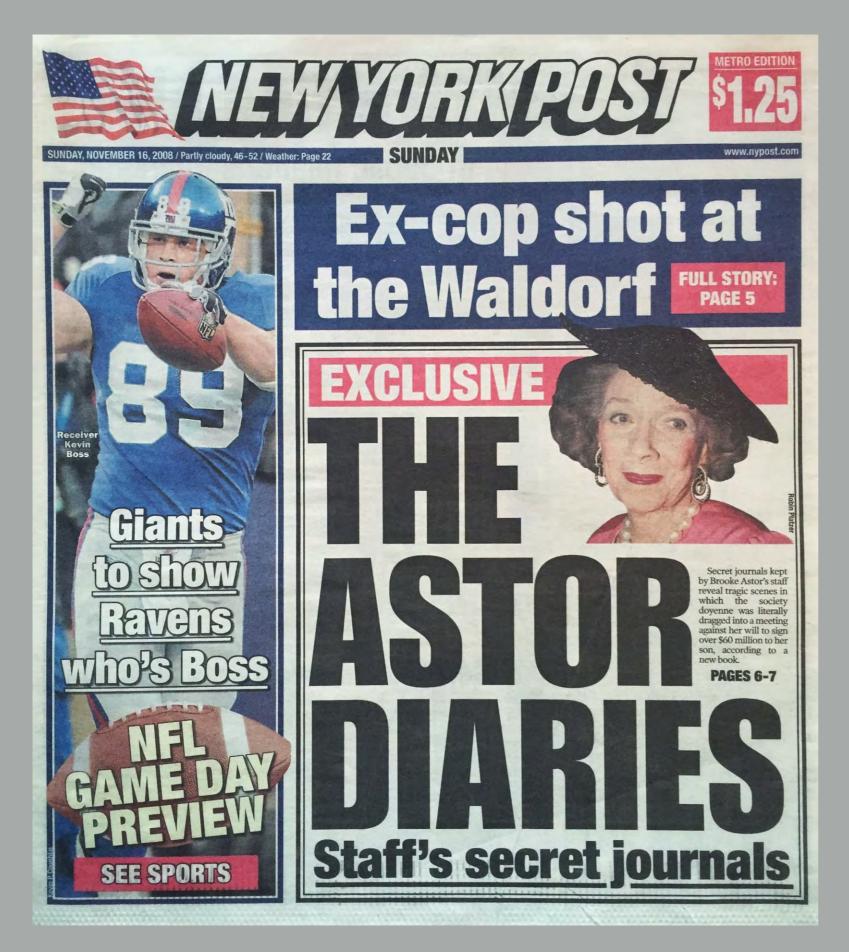
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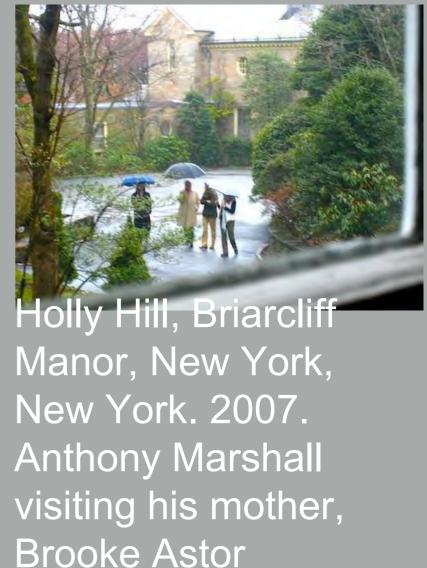
Marie came downstairs and asked me for a pen for BRA, I believe BRA signed a document with this pen. No copy of this document was given to BRA.

I saw TC as he departed and he seemed to want me to agree with him that BRA was very well and in good mind. This comment coming from a man who could not look me straight and also looked physically smaller and extremely uncomfortable.

After TC departed Judith the Nurse (we had a RN and and NA on duty after the hip replacement) asked BRA how she felt (meaning in health) and BRA said foolish.

Later BRA said she that she thought she had done something stupid. BRA was distant and in deep thought for the rest of the day...

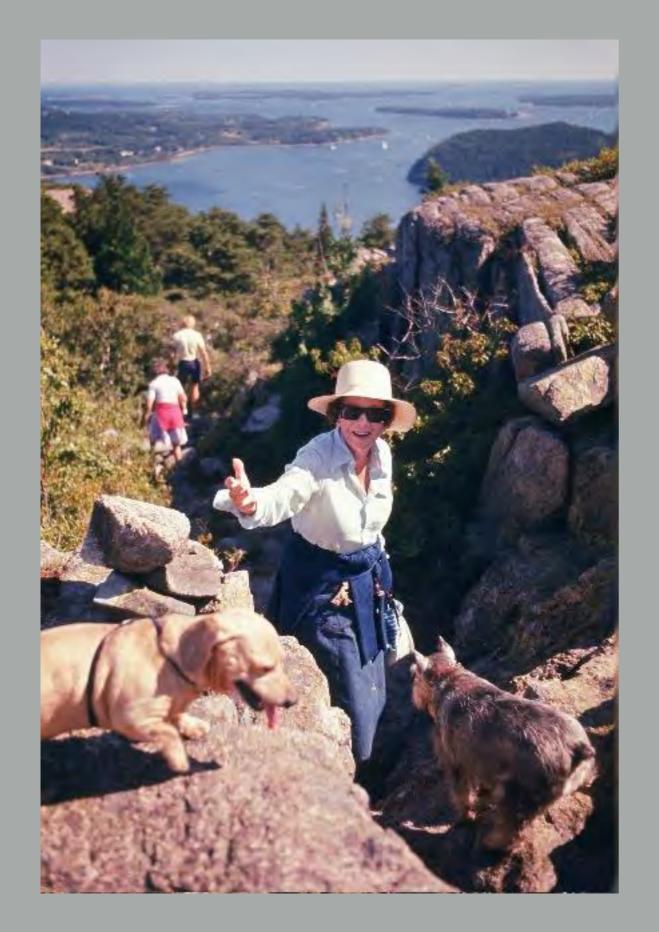




'The Astor Diaries:
Staffs secret journals,"
New York Post.
November 16, 2008



'Cove End,' Northeast Harbor, Maine. 1980s. Photograph: Philip C. Marshall





Brooke Astor at 'Cove End,' her summer home in Northeast Harbor, Maine. Courtesy Condé Nast Archives/© Karen Radkai/Empire Editions.

Brooke Astor hiking on Mount Desert Island, Maine. Photograph: Alec Marshall



Picking garden, 'Cove End,' Northeast Harbor, Maine. 1980s. Photograph: Philip C. Marshall

Brooke Astor's Maine Estate Now Belongs to Her Son's Wife

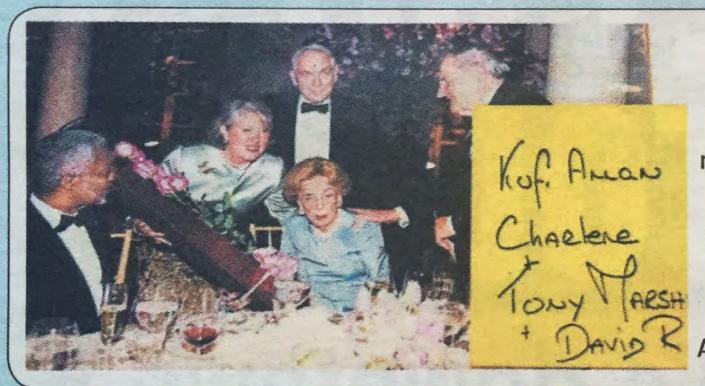
Three years ago, as Brooke Astor began scaling back her public life, she quietly gave title to her beloved vacation estate on the Maine coast, worth millions of dollars, to her son, Anthony D. Marshall, according to local land records.

McIntire, Mike. "Brooke Astor's Maine Estate Now Belongs to Her Son's Wife." *The New York Times*. July 29. 2009. ("The series of land transfers, carried out between May and November 2003, left Mrs. Astor with nothing in Northeast Harbor except memories of a bygone era...")





Picking garden and greenhouse, 'Cove End,' Northeast Harbor, Maine. 2007. Photographs: LH.



SENIOR MOMENT:

"Kofi who?" — In January 2003, a year before "voluntarily" bequeathing \$60 million to her son, Brooke Astor throws a dinner party at her Park Avenue apartment and can't remember who her own guest of honor is. "She asked Dr. Kissinger who that man was...
[U.N. Secretary-General] Kofi Annan, who she was giving the dinner for," Annette de la Renta testified yesterday.

"Senior Moment." New York Post. May 22, 2009. (Re: Henry Kissinger asked by Brooke Astor who Kofi Annan was. January 2003.)



Major General John H. Russell, 16th Commandant of the Marine Corps. Anthony Marshall's grandfather.

Retroactive salary increase

Anthony Marshall Investment Management fee for the Brooke Astor Trust since 1979 at Bankers Trust (now Deutches Bank)

(A)	ADM fee at .55% for 24 years	\$ 336,600.00	x 24 years = (1979-2003)	\$ 8,064,000.00 ADM pays income tax
(B)	ADM fee at 2,5% based on 6 years	\$1,526,000.00	x 6 years =	\$ 9,150,000.00 ADM pays income tax
(C)	ADM fee at 1.9% based on 6 years	\$1,403,000.00	x 6 years =	\$ 8,418,000.00 ADM pays income tax

Sincerely,

Anthony D. Marshall (212-650-0490)

Letter to Henry Christensen III, Esq. Sullivan and Cromwell from Anthony D. Marshall. July 22, 2003



"General Russell," Hudson River, New York City. April 23, 2006. Photograph: Alec Marshall

From: Philip C. Marshall <philip@epreservation.net>
Date: Wednesday, September 24, 2003 8:35 AM

To: admarshall@aol.com

Subject: Welcome home.....

Dear Father,

I look forward to hearing about your escapades: for starters, knowing that you had a full trip, without having to rush back.

Winslow and I had a great time last weekend. Eating amazing Tibetan and Indian food, all home cooked. We went for the Dalai Lama's Central Park talk on Sunday. On Saturday we also ended up going up to St. John the Divine, where the Dalai Lama met with a Tibetan audience, which completely filled the cathedral. It was naturally all in Tibetan. We we glad to be two of the dozen or so non-Tibetans, and to having a translator by our side.

On Sunday we left Central Park, were diverted to upper, upper Harlem due to a 30-plus block festival, and made it to Holly Hill to have a 45-minute tea with Gagi. Physically, she seemed in better shape that I expected. But she had no idea who we were, and the "Family Tree" that Nan gave here was of no help. Chris secured a copy of her last book, and through its photographs and her drawings she then reflected on her youth with a sense of recapture and glee. In some ways she seemed more gracious and accessible than ever.

We next saw Alec for ten minutes, and then headed home.

I look forward to talking once you have gone though those piles that likely awaited your return.

Love,

Philip



Above: Family tree of Brooke Astor by Nan Starr. March 30, 2003.

Left: Email from Philip C. Marshall to Anthony Marshall, September 24, 2003.

Vincent Astor Foundation Trust beneficiaries, select (before First Codicil)



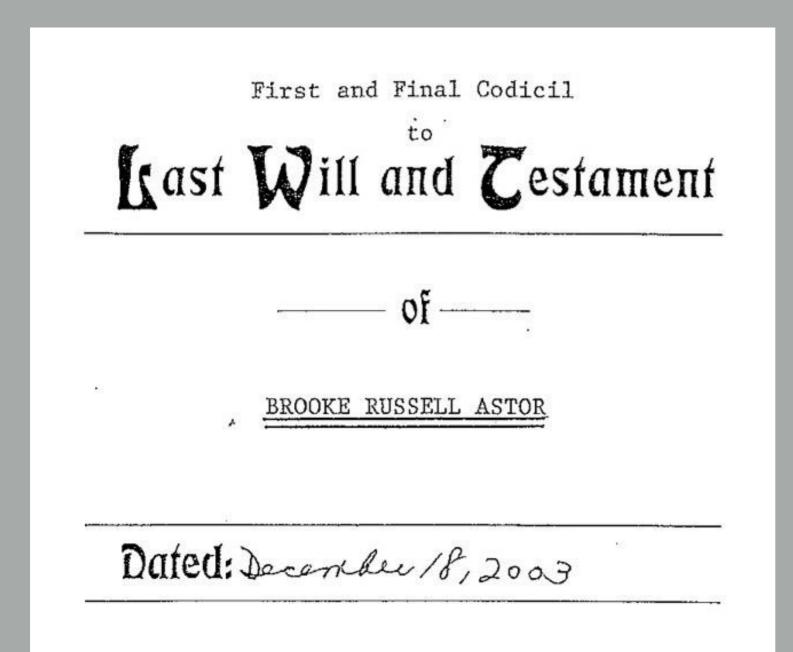




Library, Reading Room
Top right: Pierrepont
Morgan Library & Museum,
East Room.

Bottom left: Metropolitan Museum of Art, east façade

First and Final Codicil



First and Final Codicil, Last Will and Testament of Brooke Russell Astor. Dated: December 18, 2003. Executed by Henry Christensen III, Senior Partner, Trust and Estates, Sullivan & Cromwell LLP

First codicil

By Messenger

Mr. Henry Christensen III

Sullivan and Cromwell

125 Broad Street

New York, N.Y.

Dear Terry,

January 4, 2004

My mother is much more at ease now that the Codicil to her Will has been taken care of making it possible for me to continue her example of giving through the Anthony Marshall Fund.

Letter to Henry Christensen III from Anthony Marshall. January 4, 2004

Power of Attorney (after First Codicil)

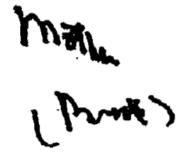
January 27, 2004

Mr. Anthony Marshall 151 East 79th Street New York, New York 10021

Dear Tony,

I have signed a new Power of Attorney for you. I want you to be able to act alone and to administer all my matters now and later without interference or interruptions.

You have done a magnificent job managing my affairs and I wish you to continue as you deem fit.



All my love

Power of Attorney (after First Codicil)

I have asked Mrs. Astor to sign this letter at the bottom to confirm that this represents her wishes.

Sincerely,

Brooke Usta

G. Warren Whitaker

Confirmed:

Brooke Russell Astor

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Sincerely,

G. Warren Whitaker

Confirmed:

Brooke Russell Astor

Letter from G. Warren Whitaker to Henry Christiansen, III, signed by Brooke Astor, re: Brooke Russell Astor [Power of Attorney], February 4, 2004, two versions.

Second Codicil

FIRST: After further thought and discussion with my son, Anthony Marshall, I have decided to change my residuary bequest in order to give him the maximum freedom to manage and dispose of those assets. I therefore revoke Article TWELFTH of my said Will and insert in its place the following:

"TWELFTH: All of the residue of my estate of every kind and description (including lapsed legacies and devises) I devise and bequeath to my son, ANTHONY MARSHALL, if he survives me, or if he does not survive me I devise and bequeath my said residue of my estate to his estate."



Second Codicil to the Will of Brooke Russell Astor. January 12, 2004.

Second Codicil

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first husband was the Farl of Durbar

Magazine, November 2009. Below: Memo. Date: 11/19/04.

To: Files. From: Francis X. Morrissey. Jr., Re: Brooke Astor, Date: 11/12/4. (One of multiple versions of memo to file regarding execution of the Second Codicil, November 12, 2004

Left: "Mommy Dearest," *Tatler*

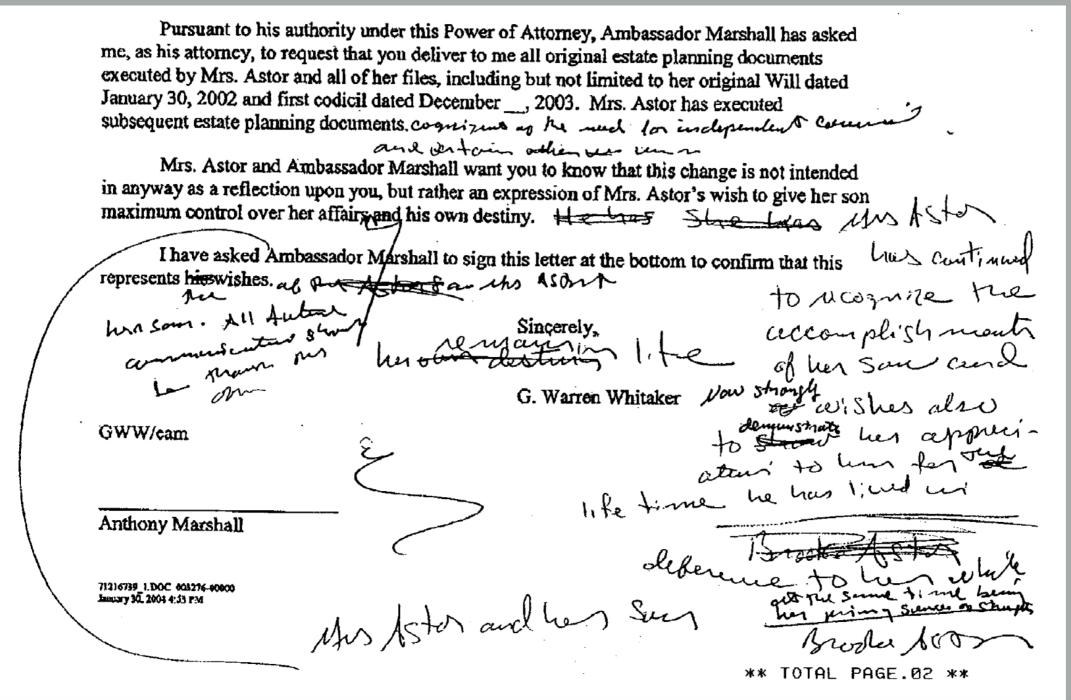
She said she was glad to leave Tony her property outright and to give him freedom over her estate. She said, "my son has proved himself a gentleman." As she gracefully waved her hand in the back of her shoulder she observed that it was hard for her son to "dance" behind her all his life and yet maintain the serious financial and other responsibilities he carried on his shoulders. She also said that Tony had done a "magnificent job without ever asking for anything."

Second Codicil

- 1. I appoint my wife CHARLENE TYLER MARSHALL and FRANCIS X. MORRISSEY of 425 East 51st Street, New York, New York as Successors to me as Executor and Trustee under my mother's will, if I should fail to qualify as Executor or as Trustee under my mother's will; and
- 2. I appoint my wife CHARLENE TYLER MARSHALL and FRANCIS X. MORRISSEY of 425 East 51st Street, New York, New York as Co-Executors of and Co-Trustees under my mother's will to act together with me, effective immediately on my appointment as Executor and Trustee under her will.

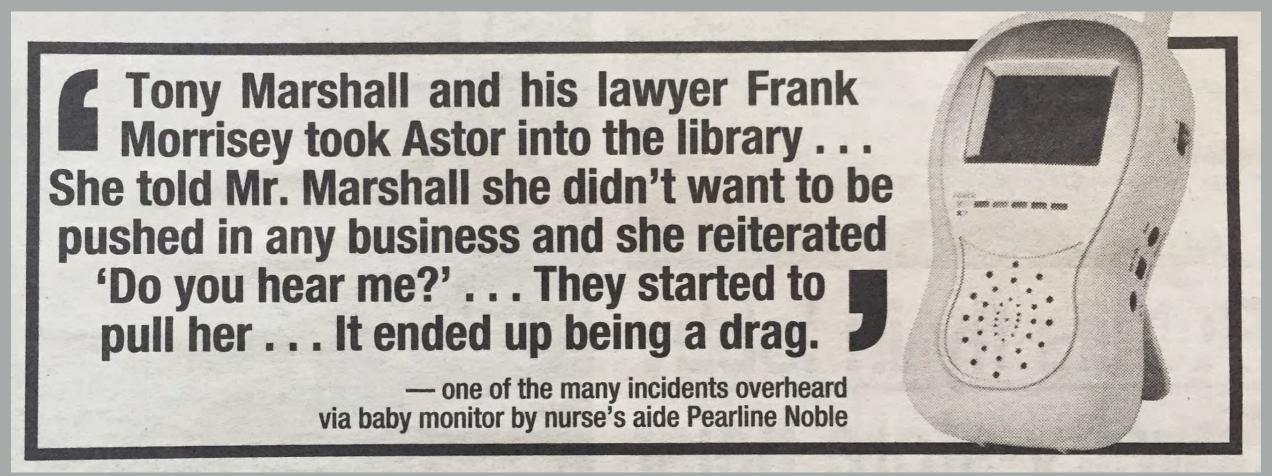
Appointment of Successor Trustee and Co-Executor. Anthony Marshall. Day, Berry & Howard, LLP. January 21, 2004.

Second Codicil



Brooke Russel [sic] Astor. Revised Draft, January 30, 2004. Morrissey files.

Second Codicil (execution)



"Tony Marshall and his lawyer Frank Morrissey took Mrs. Astor in to the Library..." New York Post. November 16, 2008

SENIOR MOMENT:

"Who are you?" — Brooke Astor to then-Metropolitan Museum of Art Director Philippe de Montebello (left, yesterday) — whom she'd known and worked with for 30 years — when he arrived for tea at her Park Avenue



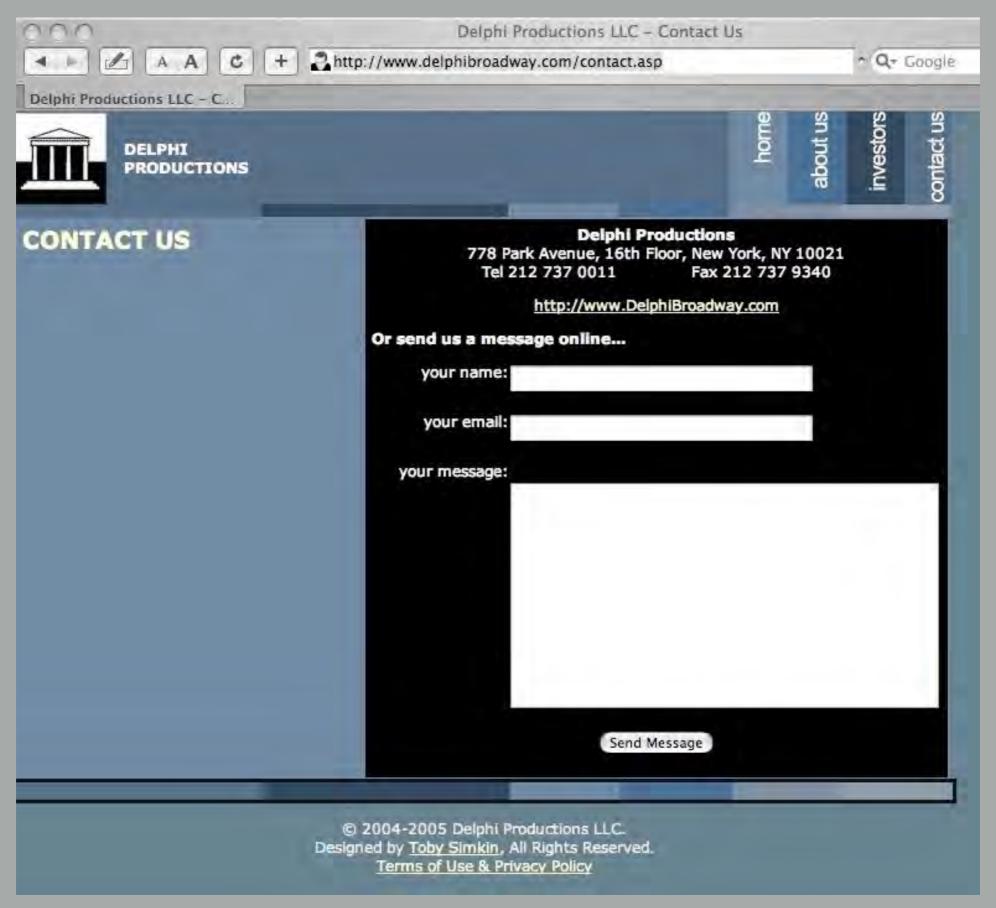
apartment, at her invitation, in April 2004. Under his direction, Astor had given the Met some \$20 million in charitable donations.



"Senior Moment." New York Post. May 5, 2009. (Re: Philippe de Montebello, April 2004 tea with Brooke Astor.)



Anthony Marshall at theater hosting *Long Day's Journey into Night*. June 6, 2003. Photograph: Philip C. Marshall



Retrieved June 27, 2007. (Removed by September 16, 2007.)

Third Codicil





'Holly Hill," Briarcliff Manor, New York. 1981. Photograph: Philip C. Marshall

Living room, Brooke
Astor's apartment, 778
Park Avenue, New York,
New York. Circa 2000.
Photograph: Philip C.
Marshall

Third Codicil

"THIRD: I direct that all of my interests in any real property used by me as a permanent or seasonal residence, including my rights under any related insurance policies, and my interest in any such residence that is a cooperative apartment (including any shares of stock in the cooperative corporation and any related proprietary lease), to be sold at public or private sale and the proceeds thereof be added to my residuary estate for disposition pursuant to Article TWELFTH hereof."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on 3 and along along of the seal of the seal

BROOKE RUSSELL ASTOR (L.S.)

Third Codicil to the Will of Brooke Russell Astor. March 3, 2004

Memorandum (after Third Codicil)

In retrospect on May 6, 2003 I realize that one reason why your mother wished to dine with me was to see as she said to me that night, "what can I do for Tony?"

I agree with Charlene that the primary energy driving your mother's heart was to give you recognition, recognize Charlene's contribution to your happiness, achieve an independence for both of you and most of all, to thank you.

I think the strength of her signature on this third codicil reflects these truths.

We still must be vigilant and careful because Terry's words to you and his letters to us reflects a treacherous and strategic mind which has not yet surrendered complete control over your mother's matters.

Memorandum to Anthony Marshall from Francis X. Morrissey, Jr. March 4, 2004. DBH 000872

Third Codicil (signature)

If a questioned signature agrees with the known signatures in both letter formation (writing similarity) and execution, then the questioned signature must be identified as being genuine. However, in this case the questioned "Brooke Russell Astor" signature and known signatures of Brooke Russell Astor contain elements of dissimilar letter formations (writing similarity) and execution. Therefore, the questioned "Brooke Russell Astor" signature cannot be identified as having been written by the author of the known Brooke, Brooke Astor and Brooke Russell Astor signatures.

Gus. R. Lesnevich, Forensic Document Examiner, to Susan Robbins, Esq., Miller Canfield. Re: Handwriting Analysis: Brooke Astor. Report Examination. October 18, 2006.

Estate 'planning'

2. Probate: The Will dated December 30, 2002 and codicils thereto dated December 18, 2003; January 12, 2004 and March 3, 2004 will be offered for probate in the New York County Surrogates Court. Citation (and the opportunity to contest the will) will be issued to the next of kin (Anthony Marshall) and also to persons named in the will who are adversely affected by the codicils. This will include all charities whose interests were reduced by the codicils. In addition, it will include the Attorney General of New York as statutory representative of charities, and Terry Christensen because his appointment as executor as been revoked by the second codicil.

Memorandum to files from Francis X. Morrissey, / G. Warren Witaker. Date: August 23, 2005. Re: Estate of Brooke Russel [sic] Astor.

Estate 'planning'

While it may take a month or longer to obtain probate of the will because of the number of parties who will be cited, it is unlikely that the Attorney General or the charities will contest the will, since the codicils do not reduce the total passing to charity, but simply alter the amounts received by each charity, each charity will still receive a substantial amount and the balance will

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Memorandum to files from Francis X. Morrissey, / G. Warren Witaker. Date: August 23, 2005. Re: Estate of Brooke Russel [sic] Astor.

Intervention



Philip Marshall at Brooke Astor's apartment, 778 Park Avenue, New York. April 2, 2006.

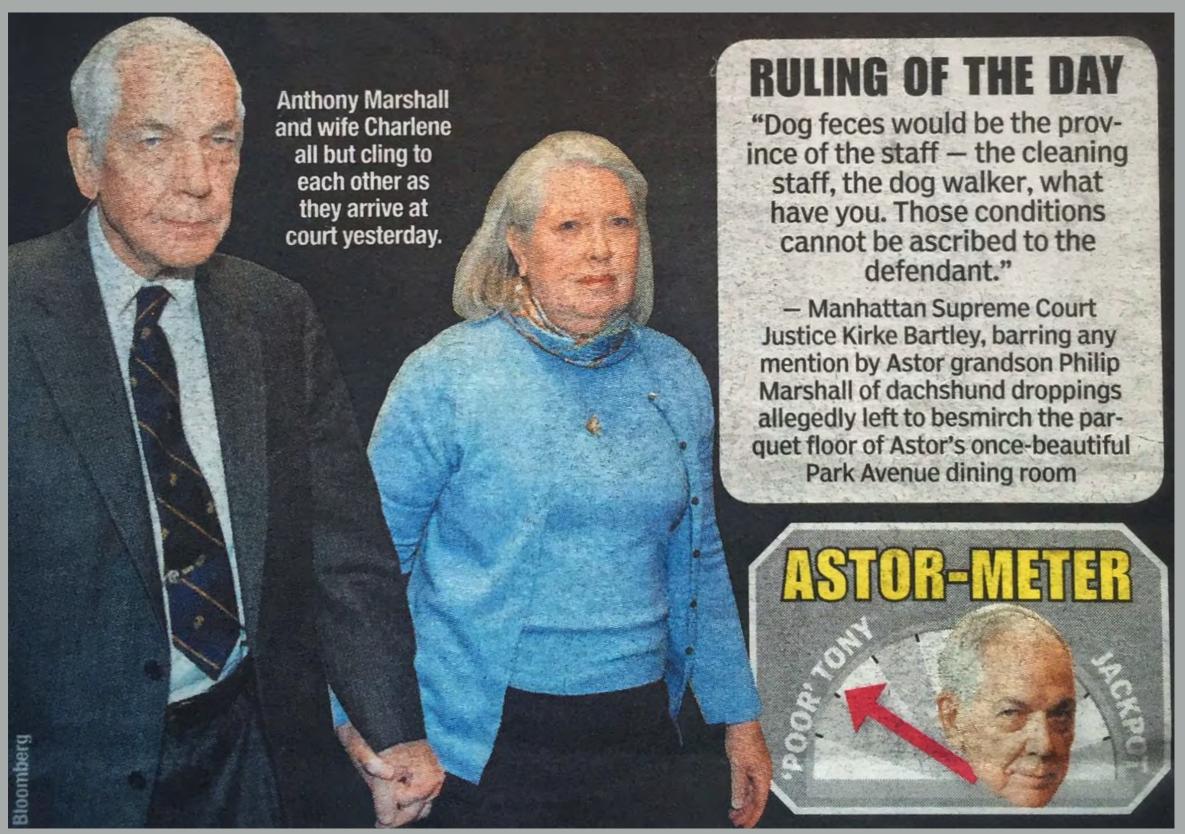
Intervention



Pinterest. Retrieved 10/24/16



Dining room, 778 Park Avenue, New York. April 2, 2006.



"Ruling of the Day. " New York Post. May 20, 2009 (Re: Philip Marshall barred form mentioning dog feces.)

As for all the scandal, Philip resolutely does not regret bringing his civil suit. 'It wouldn't have taken that much at all to care for my grandmother. The price of one week's legal fees,' said Philip. 'People have asked me how I could do that to my father, but what I say is, "How could he do to that to his mother?"

"Mommy Dearest," *Tatler Magazine*, November 2009.



Personal records to be shredded. Mrs. Astor's office, 778 Park Avenue, New York. Early 2006.



Brooke Astor, 1970s. Photograph from trash in downstairs office, 778 Park Avenue, New York, early 2006.



Brooke Astor and Chris Ely, Briarcliff Manor, NewYork. 2003

6 March 2006

David Rockefeller 30 Rockefeller Plaza, Room 5600 New York NY 10112

Re: Brooke

Dear Mr. Rockefeller:

I am sending you the enclosed material in light of our shared concern for Brooke and given what I have found out about her circumstances. I am extremely concerned and frustrated about Brooke's situation.

I am looking for your advice.

There are two major issues: (1) Brooke's comfort and wellbeing and (2) my father's breach of fiduciary duty that is compromising her life, her testamentary intent and her legacy.

In January, I visited Brooke. During my stay, I heard from the nurse's aids and 778 Park staff about how efforts to care for Brooke are being thwarted by my father and Charlene. Next, I met with Chris Ely, former head staff at Holly Hill, and spoke with Alice Perdue, former secretary, and Lourdis Hilario, bookkeeper still employed by Brooke (but now under Tony's direction).

To David Rockefeller from Philip C. Marshall.. March 6, 2006

While this has presented a difficult situation for all past and present staff, they are very concerned about Brooke. Everyone has been forthcoming in providing this information.

My father does not seem in control of his fiduciary obligations to Brooke — or his own affairs. Control of Tony's affairs, and those of Brooke, appear to be in large part decided by Charlene. These circumstances, with their profound, negative effect on Brooke, are the major factors in my decision to pursue options.

Letter from Philip C. Marshall to David Rockefeller. Re: Brooke. March 6, 2006.



Front page, New York
Daily News, July 26,
2006, Headline: Disaster
for Mrs. Astor, Stunning
Court Allegations. Getty
Images, New York Daily
News archives.

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK

In the Matter of the Application of

PHILIP MARSHALL for the Appointment of Guardians of the Person and Property of

BROOKE ASTOR,

an Alleged Incapacitated Person

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VERIFIED PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIANS

TO THE SUPREME COURT, COUNTY OF NEW YORK:

The Petition of PHILIP MARSHALL respectfully states:

PETITIONER

1. I reside at 433 Elm St., South Dartmouth, Mass. 02748, telephone (508) 951-8562.

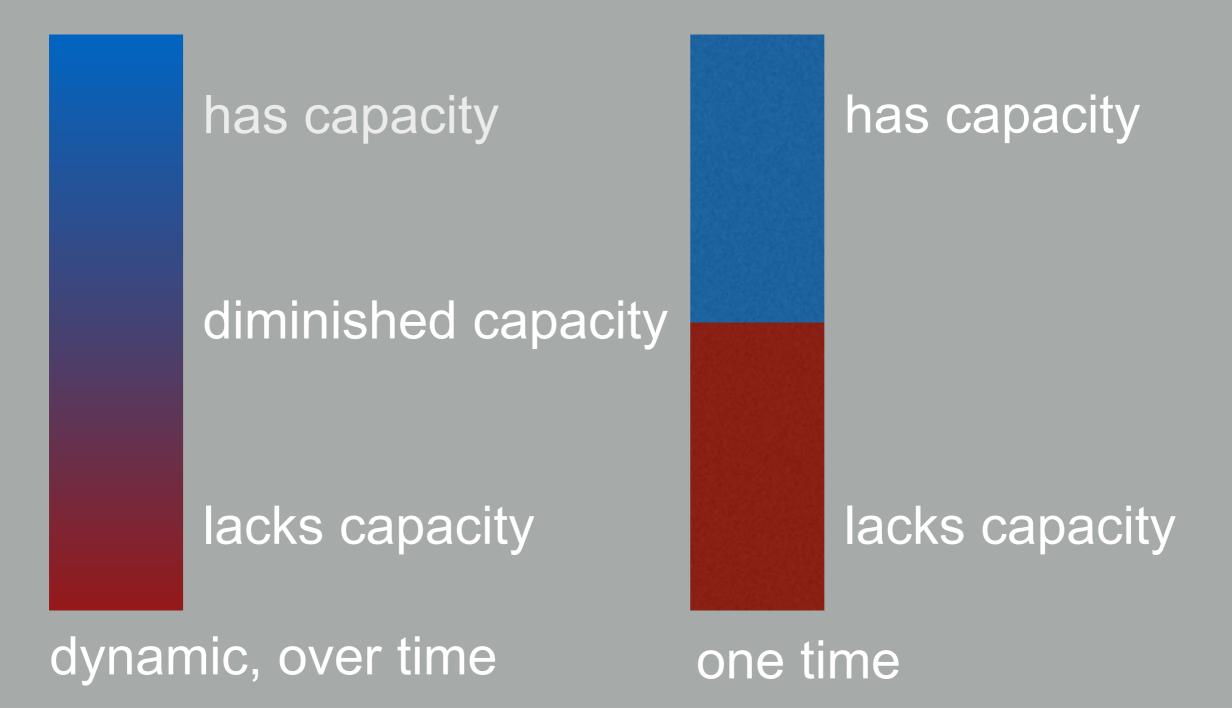
ALLEGED INCAPACITATED PERSON

- The Alleged Incapacitated Person, BROOKE ASTOR, is my grandmother. She was born on March 30, 1902, and is now 104.
- My grandmother resides at 778 Park Ave., New York, New York 10021, County of New York, telephone (212) 737-8726.
 - 4. My grandmother is one of the great philanthropists of our time.
- 5. The sad and deplorable state of my family's affairs has compelled me to bring this guardianship action. I seek to have Guardians appointed to care for my grandmother because my father, ANTHONY D. MARSHALL, who is supposed to be overseeing the care of his mother as her attorney in fact, has turned a blind eye to her, intentionally and repeatedly ignoring her health, safety, personal and household needs, while enriching himself with millions of dollars. Her medical and dental care are substandard and her diet is inadequate, endangering the life and safety of this slight and sickly 104-year-old woman. Needed prescriptions are inexplicably stopped. Her Park Avenue duplex is in such a dirty and dilapidated state that she's been forced to live among

Guardianship Petition by Philip Marshall for Brooke Astor, Supreme Court of the State of New York, July 14, 2006, draft.

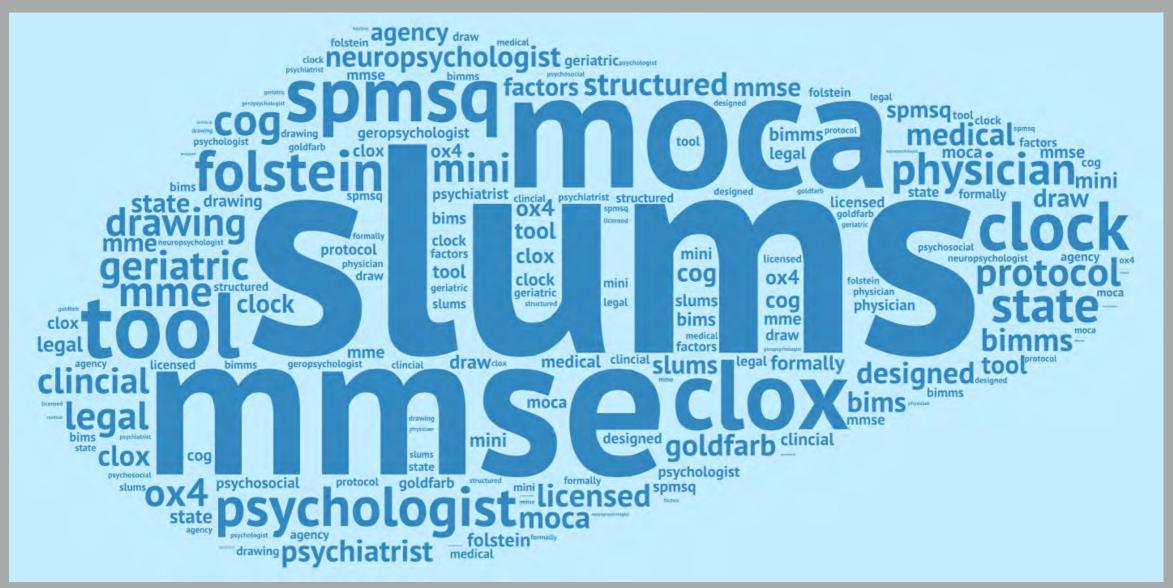
Clinical Capacity

Capacity Judgement



Assessment of Older Adults with Diminished Capacity: A Handbook for Psychologists, American Bar Association Commission on Law and Aging, American Psychological Society, Association Assessment of Capacity in Older Adults Project Working Group, p. 29, 2008.

Assessing Capacity — NAPSA Survey

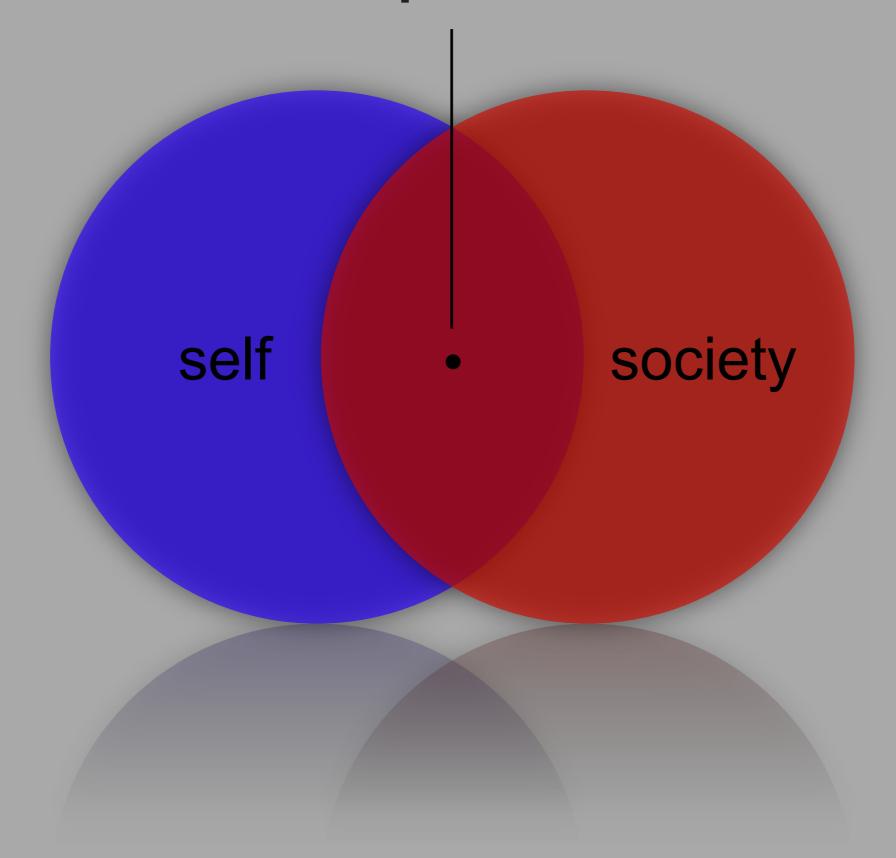


NAPSA Guardianship Survey, retrieved September 16, 2015. Conducted by NAPSA for presentation by Kim Grier, Immediate Past President, National Guardianship Association and Philip C. Marshall.

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Guardianship (personal notes)

778 Park (BA residence)

Daniel Billy – keep away from office, retain laptop computer, lay off

Charlene Marshall – keep away from Brooke at all times Tony Marshall – only allow when caretaker is in attendance

When can Brooke's friends start visiting?

Country House, "Holly Hill" in Briarcliff

Chris Ely, former estate manager – rehire When can Chris be rehired?"

Personal notes, Philip Marshall, July 23, 2006.



Brooke Astor with family and caregivers at Holly Hill, Briarcliff Manor, New York. July 2007.



Annette de la Renta and David Rockefeller at Brooke Astor's funeral, St. Thomas Church, New York, August 17, 2007. *New York Daily News*.

Elder Abuse

"Although this matter voluntarily settled before the hearing, I find the petitioner Philip Marshall was the prevailing party..."

"I make this ruling based on the conclusion of the court evaluator that the allegations in the petition regarding Mrs. Astor's medical and dental care, and the other **allegations of intentional elder abuse** by the Marshalls, **were not substantiated**."

Guardianship of Brooke Astor. Judge John E. H. Stackhouse, December 4, 2006

Elder Abuse

Based on a court evaluator's report that was not made public, a judge in December 2006 ruled that claims that Mrs. Astor had been abused were unsubstantiated. Mrs. Astor, who prosecutors said had received a diagnosis of Alzheimer's-related dementia as early as 2001, died in August 2007.

Convicted in Swindle, Dies at 90." *The New York Times*. December 1, 2014.

Indictment

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

-against-

ANTHONY MARSHALL, FRANCIS MORRISSEY,

Defendants.

INDICTMENT

SCHEME TO DEFRAUD IN THE FIRST DEGREE, P.L. §190.65(1)(b) - DEF. A. Marshall, F. Morrissey GRAND LARCENY IN THE FIRST DEGREE, P.L. §155.42 - DEF. A. Marshall, 2 Cts FALSIFYING BUSINESS RECORDS IN THE FIRST DEGREE, P.L. §175.10 - DEF. A. Marshall OFFERING A FALSE INSTRUMENT FOR FILING IN THE FIRST DEGREE, P.L. §175.35 - DEF. A. Marshall, 2 Cts GRAND LARCENY IN THE SECOND DEGREE, P.L. §155.40(1) - DEF. A. Marshall, 5 Cts CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY IN THE SECOND DEGREE, P.L. §165.52 - DEF. A. Marshall, 2 Cts CONSPIRACY IN THE FOURTH DEGREE, P.L. §105.10(1) - DEF. A. Marshall, F. Morrissey, 2 Cts CONSPIRACY IN THE FIFTH DEGREE, P.L. §105.05(1) - DEF. A. Marshall, F. Morrissey FORGERY IN THE SECOND DEGREE, P.L. §170.10(1) - DEF. F. Morrissey CRIMINAL POSSESSION OF A FORGED INSTRUMENT IN THE SECOND DEGREE, P.L. §170.25 - DEF. F. Morrissey

ROBERT M. MORGENTHAU, District Attorney

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ADJOURNED TO PART _____ ON ____

Brooke Astor's Son and Son's Attorney Are Indicted by a New York Grand Jury on Charges Alleging They Conspired to Defraud and Steal Millions From Her Estate, FindLaw.com, November 2007

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line for millions

By STEFANIE COHEN, LAURA ITALIANO and DAREH GREGORIAN

Even if he's convicted of swindling millions of dollars from Brook Astor while she was alive. Anthony Marshall still stands to pocket millions more from his mother's death money that only his aging trophy bride may get to

Marshall, 83, was indicted earlier this week on charges he took advantage of philanthropist mother's "diminished mental capacity" in the years before her death this past August "in a scheme to defraud her and others out of millions of dollars."

Prosecutors charge Marshall and a once-sus-pended lawyer named Francis Morrissey conspired to get Astor to make changes to her will in 2004 that shifted tens of millions of dollars from charity to Marshall.

It's unclear how much impact the indictment will have on the fight over Astor's estate in Westchester Surrogate's Court, where Marshall is seeking to have that will amendment enforced, but it will likely blow up the former ambassador's chances.

However, even if that amendment, or codicil, is thrown out, Marshall will reap over \$4 million a year thanks to bequests his mother left him in earlier wills, court documents

If prosecutors are suc-cessful in their bid to send him up the river, that money would likely go directly into the hands of Marshall's wife, Charlene, 62, who, a knowledgeable source said, had also been a target of the Manhattan



district attorney's probe, which came up empty.

That didn't sit well with the third Mrs. Marshall's detractors, who have painted her as the motivating force behind her husband's efforts to get his hands on more and more of his Astor's money, property and valuables in recent years.

Marshall "has been Charlene's blunt instrument in all this," said a family source, "I'm saddened that she wasn't indicted."

Her husband's indictment suggests Charlene was the direct beneficiary

of some of Marshall's alleged schemes.

In one, he convinced his mother to give him her Maine estate in 2003, and then transferred it to Charlene. The indictment says he then stole \$600,000 from his mother's accounts to pay for upkeep of the

The property was re-turned to Astor last year as part of an ugly court fight with Marshall's son, Philip, who'd accused his father of skimping on the grande dame's care while helping himself to her money.

stefanie.cohen@nypost.com

Cohen, Stefanie; Italiano, Laura and Dareh Gregorian. "She's Astor Rich." New York Post. November 29, 2007.

Trial



Alec Marshall and Philip Marshall with Liz Loewy, lead prosecutor for the Manhattan DA. Day of testifying in criminal court. May 19. 2009. Photograph: Bloomberg via Getty Images



New York Post. May 6, 2009. Reporting on criminal trail.

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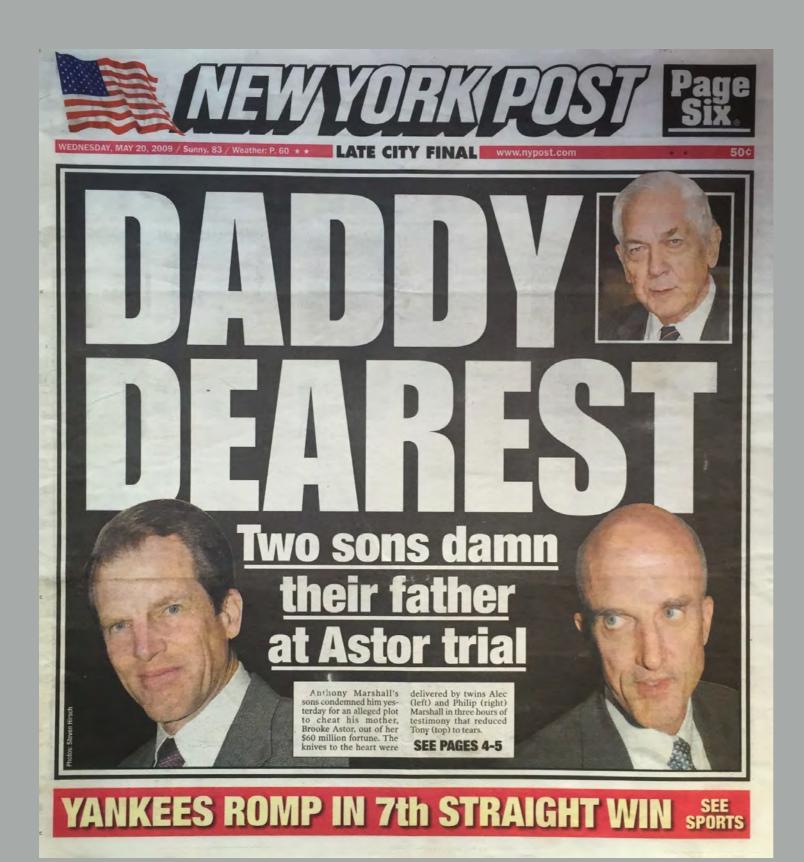
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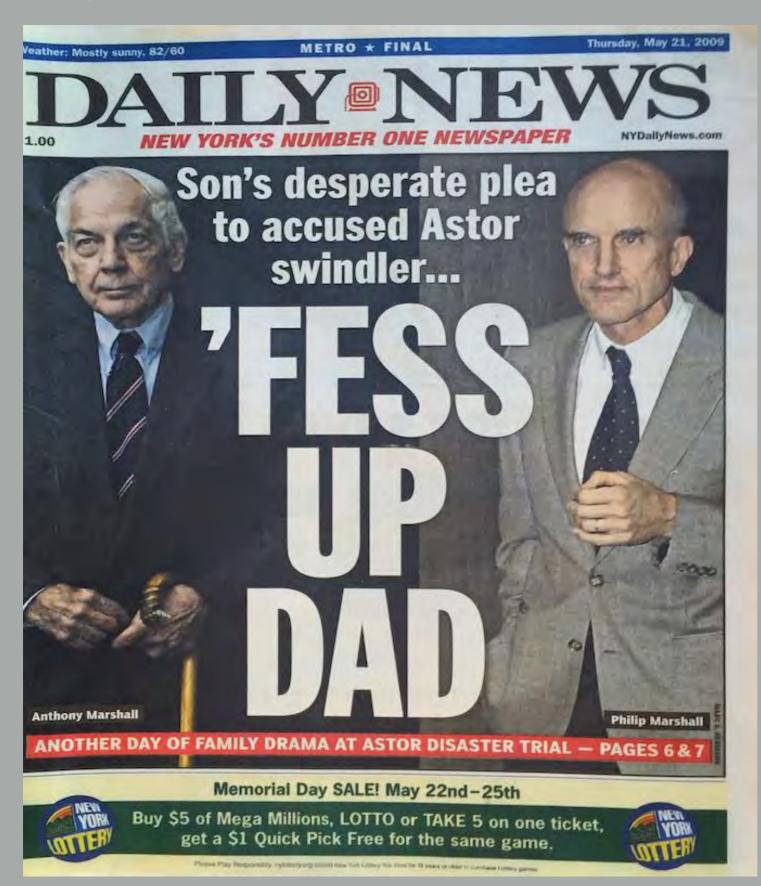
"TONY DID NOT DO ONE THING WRONG," Charlene told me in court one day, FURY IN HER VOICE.



Gordon, Meryi. *Vanity Hair.* September 2009. p.



"Daddy Dearest: Two Sons Damn their Father at Astor Trial." New York Post. May 20, 2009.



'Fess up Dad,"

New York Daily

News. May 21,
2009



Brooke Astor's 102th birthday 'party.' From left: Charlene Marshall (hand), Francis X. Morrissey Jr., Brooke Astor, Anthony Marshall, Reverend Canon John Andrews. Photograph: Alec Marshall. March 2004.

ena up neiping older people.

Philip Marshall was driving home from chairing a meeting at Roger Williams University when he learned about the verdict on his cell phone from *New York Times* reporter Arthur Gregg Sulzberger, and he blurted out, "Oh my God. Wow. Wow." During the next 24 hours, he gave a series of interviews ripping into Charlene. On the phone with me, he fumed, saying, "The fact that my father is going to jail and having Charlene walk away free is like pouring salt on the wound. He's her blunt instrument, he's her pawn."

At Holly Hill, Brooke Astor's country home and the place where she died, her butler, Christopher Ely, was still holding down the fort. "Whatever way you look at it, this is a sad situation," he said. The leaves were changing; another season was passing and the estate was for sale. "Holly Hill is not the same without her," he added. "She's at peace. This is a special place, but at the end of the day, property is property."

For the legendary, long-serving Manhattan district attorney Robert Morgen-OOOON, IVIETYL. VAIILY

or money from his mother. I'm a benever in: Be nice to your mother."

Fred Hafetz told reporters that he was "stunned by the verdict, greatly disappointed by what the jury did"—a remark that irked the jurors. "Their failure to call

favorable scenario for him, Tony still stands to inherit more than \$30 million in cash and real estate, but until the case is settled he cannot touch a dime. At the moment, he and Charlene are officially broke; his

"HAVING CHARLENE WALK AWAY FREE IS LIKE POURING SALT ON THE WOUND," SAYS PHILIP MARSHALL.

defense witnesses was a gamble and they lost," says Philip Bump. "I found it insulting for Hafetz to go before the press and criticize us and our decision. To blame us for it when he literally didn't present a defense is disingenuous." The defense team plans to appeal the verdict; one key element will be claiming that the judge erred in declining to conduct an immediate inquiry into Judi DeMarco's concerns about her "personal plete".

attorneys have even filed papers in court to secure millions in legal fees. The pressure is high on Mrs. Astor's son to move toward a quick settlement with the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York Public Library, and other charities.

Five days after the verdict, Francis Morrissey, his lawyer Tom Puccio, and I had dinner at the Harvard Club. "I am completely innocent," Morrissey protested. Puc-



"Justice is a Bitch

– Astor Verdict:
Miss Piggy big
loser." New York
Post. October 9,
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EH.A. PROBLEMS RAISING CONCERN OF POLICY MAKERS

RESERVES ARE SHRINKING

Loans It Insured Are at Risk - Agency Says It Won't Need Aid

> By DAVID STREITFELD and LOUISE STORY

Freddie Mac teetered, industry executives and Washington policy makers are worrying that another government mortgage giant could be the next housing

Problems at the Federal Housing Administration, which guarantees mortgages with low down payments, are becoming so acute that some experts warn the agency might need a federal baflout.

Running questions about the F.H.A.'s future — underscored by interviews with policy makers, analysts and home buyers came to the fore on Thursday on Capitol Hill. In testimony before a House subcommittee, the F.H.A. commissioner, David H. Stevens, assured lawmakers that his agenwould not need a bailout and that it was managing its risks. But he acknowledged that

some 20 percent of F.H.A. loans insured last year — and as many as 24 percent of those from 2007 — faced serious problems including foreclosure, offering a preview of a forthcoming audit of the agency's finances.

"Let me simply state at the outset that based on current projections, absent any catastrophic home price decline, P.H.A. will not need to ask Congress and the American taxpayer for extraordinary assistance - we will not need a bailout," Mr. Stevens said in his testimony.

But to its critics, the F.H.A. looks like another Fannie Mae. The hearings on Thursday came n the same day that the federal



Anthony and Charlene Marshall after the verdict. He was charged with changing Brooke Astor's will for his own gain.

House, 281-146, Votes to Define Antigay Attacks as Hate Crimes

voted Thursday to expand the definition of violent federal hate crimes to those committed because of a victim's sexual orientation, a step that would extend new protection to lesbian,

gay and transgender people.

Democrats hailed the vote of 281 to 146, which brought the measure to the brink of becoming law, as the culmination of a long push to curb violent expressions

WASHINGTON - The House crimes that fall under federal jurisdiction are defined as those motivated by the victim's race, color, religion or national origin. The new measure would

broaden the definition to include those committed because of gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or disability. It was approved by the House right before a weekend when gay rights will be a focus in Washington, with a march to the Capitol and a

Astor Jury Found a Moral Flaw

Looking Beyond the Glamour,

By ANEMONA HARTOCOLLIS and JOHN ELIGON

began, six weeks after the prosecution rested its case and more than a week after the start of deliberations, the jurors finally hit a

Almost all of them had come around to the decision that Anthony D. Marshall had improperly given himself a raise with his mother's money in her declining

Six months after jury selection see through the wealth and glamour of the characters in the unfolding drama. And although the amounts of money were at times astounding to ponder, they infused their deliberations with experiences from their own lives.

Ms. Fernandez, 52, who said her grandfather had suffered from dementia for years, said Mr. Marshall and his wife, Charlene, who was not charged, were no "Don't you see what's going on different from common criminals.

MRS. ASTOR'S SON **GUILTY OF TAKING** TENS OF MILLIONS

FACES PRISON SENTENCE

Larceny and Fraud Cited in Changes to Ailing Mother's Will

By JOHN ELIGON

The son of Brooke Astor, the matriarch of New York society was convicted in Manhattan.or Thursday on charges that he de frauded his mother and stole tens of millions of dollars from her m she suffered from Alzheimer disease in the twilight of her life

The jury's verdict means that Mrs. Astor's son, Anthony D Marshall, 85, faces a sentence of at least a year and as many as 2 years. A co-defendant, Francis ? Morrissey Jr., a lawyer who did estate planning for Mrs. Astor was also convicted of a series of fraud and conspiracy charges, a well as one count of forging Mrs Astor's signature on an amer

The verdict drew the curfuin on a long trial that cast an unffa tering spotlight on one of New York's first families of high sort ety. Henry Kissinger, Barbaja Walters and Annette de la Renta among others, testified that Mr Marshall mistreated his mother in her later years and conspired to inflate his inheritance from have estate — largely to appease his wife, Charlene Marshall, Mrs. Astor died in 2007 at age 105.

As the verdict was read, Mc Marshall sat stone-faced; misments later, while her husband went to meet with a probation of ficer, she left the courtroom, say ing, "I love my husband." She-and Marshall then held hands and ignored requests for oden ment before being whisked away in a black Town Car.

Although prosecutors wire still determining how stiff a son-

The New York Times October 9, 2009.

Martinez, Jose and Corky Siemaszko. "What Would Your Mother Say if She Were Here?" New York Daily News. December 21, 2012.

WHAT WOULD YOUR MOTHER SAY IF SHE WERE HERE?

Judge berates Astor's elderly son at sentencing



BY JOSE MARTINEZ and CORKY SIEMASZKO

DAILY NEWS STAFF WRITERS
BROOKE ASTOR'S 85-yearold son is going up the river for

Marshall, who has been free on bail since his arrest in November 2007, will be allowed to stay home for the holidays. He must report to the big house on Jan. 19. He faced up to 25 years in prison.

His lawyer buddy Francis Morrissey, 66, was also sentenced to one to three years in prison, for forging Astor's signature on a will.

Leaning on his cane, Marshall, dressed in a dark pinstripe suit, powder-blue shirt and navy-blue tie, made a beeline for the bathroom after Bartley imposed his punishment. He said nothing as he shuffled out of the courtroom.

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"It is a paradox to me that such abundance has led"

Close behind him was Marshall's much-maligned wife, Charlene, her eyes wet with tears. She was not charged with a crime, but prosecutors claimed her greed drove Marshall to rip off his senile socialite mother.

to such incredible sadness," the Before finally leaving the courthouse, the stooped, unsteady Marshall sat for a minute on a bench

"Paul Saunders, a lawyer for Mrs. de la Renta, said the main defense argument — that Mrs. Astor understood and consented to what her son was doing — had been undermined by the criminal verdict. 'The jury clearly found that she did not,' he said. 'That's important because her mental capacity is the central issue in the will contest."

Brooke Astor's Son Guilty in Scheme to Defraud Her, John Eligon, *The New York Times*, October 8, 2009



Brooke Astor and Philip Marshall in the library, 778 Park Avenue, New York. November 2003.

Such variability in Brooke's behavior is not surprising. The medical evidence showed that the cognitive performance of a person with Alzheimer's fluctuates, and in any event statistical generalizations about Alzheimer's did not necessarily reflect Brooke's condition because she "defied the odds" and was not an "average" Alzheimer's sufferer. Also, the undisputed medical evidence was that persons suffering from dementia often retain a "cognitive reserve" for things that matter to them emotionally, and Brooke – who made a total of *thirty-eight* wills and codicils and who frequently traveled with her will when she went away for the weekend so she could review its terms – was unusually emotionally focused on her estate plan.

Court, County of New York Indictment Cuti Hacker LLP and Warner Partners, P.C. No. 6044/07; New York State Supreme Court. March 28. 2011

Moreover, Tony plainly believed it was the *lawyers* – such as Christensen, Whitaker, and Knuts – who were the professionals in the best position to know whether Brooke was competent to amend her will. In April 2001, Tony asked Dr. Relkin, an eminent neurologist treating Brooke for her dementia, if she was competent to make a will, and Dr. Relkin told him that was a legal issue, not a medical one. Dr. Relkin never tested Brooke for testamentary capacity – no doctor did – and he never told Tony to seek an opinion from a doctor if Brooke was going to sign legal documents in the future. Not a single doctor who treated Brooke testified at trial that she was incompetent to sign a codicil on January 12, 2004.

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Brief for Defendant-Appellate, Anthony D. Marshall. New York Supreme Court, County of New York, Indictment No. 6044/07. March 28, 2011.

Probate Settlement

SURROGATE'S COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER Probate Proceeding, Will of BROOKE RUSSELL ASTOR a/k/a BROOKE ASTOR, a/k/a BROOKE R. ASTOR, File No. 2127/2007 Deceased SETTLEMENT and for the Issuance of Letters of STIPULATION Administration With the Will Annexed by J.P. Morgan Chase Bank, N.A. and Annette de la Renta. Probate Proceeding, Will of BROOKE RUSSELL ASTOR File No.: 2127/2007 a/k/a BROOKE ASTOR. a/k/a BROOKE R. ASTOR. Deceased SETTLEMENT STIPULATION and for the Issuance of Letters of Administration With the Will Annexed by Anthony D. Marshall Probate Proceeding, Will of BROOKE RUSSELL ASTOR a/k/a BROOKE ASTOR, File No.: 2127/2007 a/k/a BROOKE R. ASTOR. SETTLEMENT STIPULATION and for the Issuance of Letters of Administration With the Will Annexed by Philip C. Marshall.

Probate Proceeding, Will of Brooke Russell Astor, File 2127/2007, Settlement Stipulation. March 2012.



Pork Chop: Miss Piggy and hubby lose in Astor will war." *New York Post*. March 29. 2012



"Charlene has taken control of my father's life...." New York Post. March 29, 2012 (Re: quote by Anthony Marshall's son Philip.)

Probate Settlement

But two months later, the State Parole Board <u>approved Mr. Marshall's</u> <u>request</u> for medical parole, ruling that he was so sick and frail as to be eligible for release under the state's so-called compassionate release law. Since the law went into effect in 1992, hundreds of state inmates have been granted parole. A transcript of his parole hearing disclosed that he had expressed regret over the case.

"Well, regrets, naturally," he was quoted as saying.

"If you had to do it all over again, would you have done things differently?" a board member asked.

"Quite," Mr. Marshall replied. He declined to explain what had happened, but he recalled paying back millions to his mother's estate.

McFadden, Robert D. "Anthony D. Marshall, Astor Son Who Was Convicted in Swindle, Dies at 90." *The New York Times*. December 1, 2014.

Prison

Anthony Marshall, late son of Socialite Brooke Astor, left sitting in own urine, feces during short time at Rikers: lawsuit

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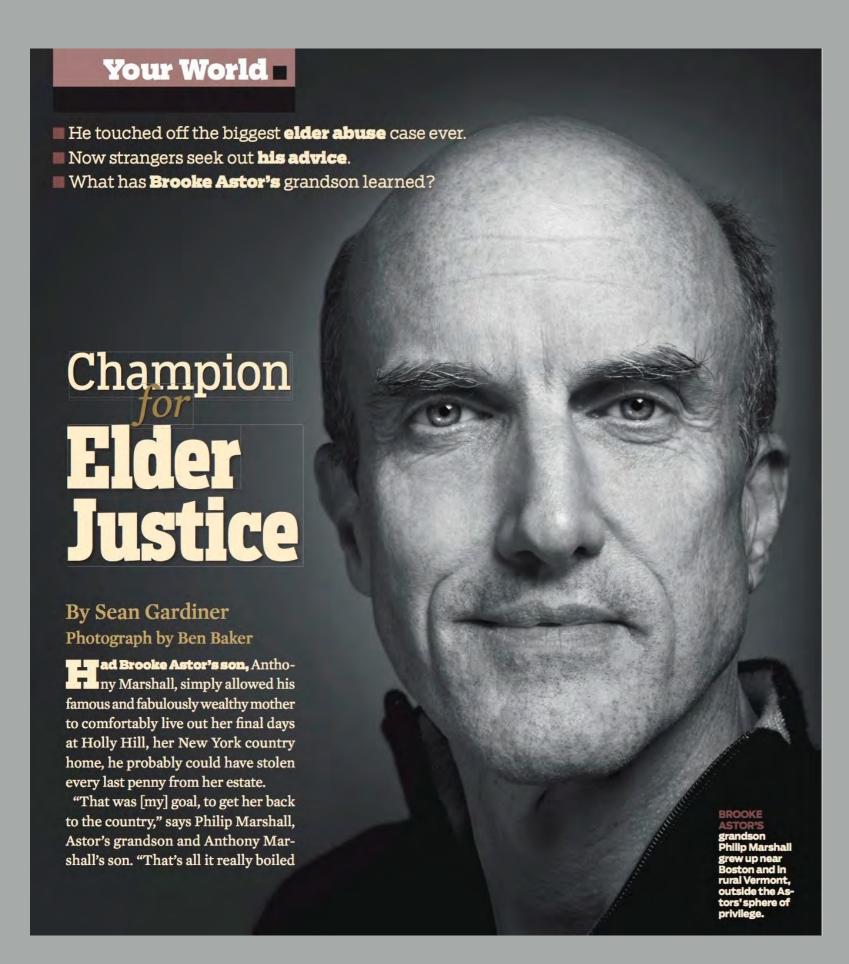


ERIC THAYER/REUTERS

Anthony Marshall is helped into court by his wife Charlene Marshall in June 2013.

"Anthony Marshall, late son of Socialite Brooke Astor, left sitting in own urine, feces during short time at Rikers: lawsuit."

New York Daily
News. December 12, 2015.



Gardiner, Sean.

"Champion for Elder
Justice." *AARP Magazine*. December 2009, p. 22.

William Astor might say that Brooke would have found all this so embarrassing, but Philip looks at it another way. He has been inundated, he said, with messages from people who say the case has given them the courage to act on similar situations in their own families. Elder abuse, as the Manhattan courts noted, is a growing problem.

'Her greatest legacy may not have been her philanthropy,' Philip said. 'Maybe it will be addressing elder justice. I believe my grandmother would have wanted that.'

[&]quot;Mommy Dearest," *Tatler Magazine*, November 2009.



Elder Financial Protection Network, San Francisco, Conference. March 31, 2011. Photograph: Mona T. Brooks,

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Beyond Brooke — advancing elder justice



Brooke Astor and Philip Marshall at Holly Hill, her country house in Briarcliff, New York. Photograph: Alec Marshall

Beyond Brooke, retrieved 10/1/15. http://beyondbrooke.org



Photograph courtesy of Diana Noel, Twitter, @D_firstNoel, June 15, 2015.

Philip Marshall presentation, How a Systems-Based Approach to Elder Justice and Big-Data Analytics will Help the Arrest of and Response to Elder Financial Exploitation. First Global Summit, World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, 10th Anniversary. June 15, 2015. Securities and **Exchange Commission** Building, Washington, DC.



Elizabeth Podnieks, founder World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) with Philip Marshall at First Global Summit, WEAAD, Washington. June 15, 2015.

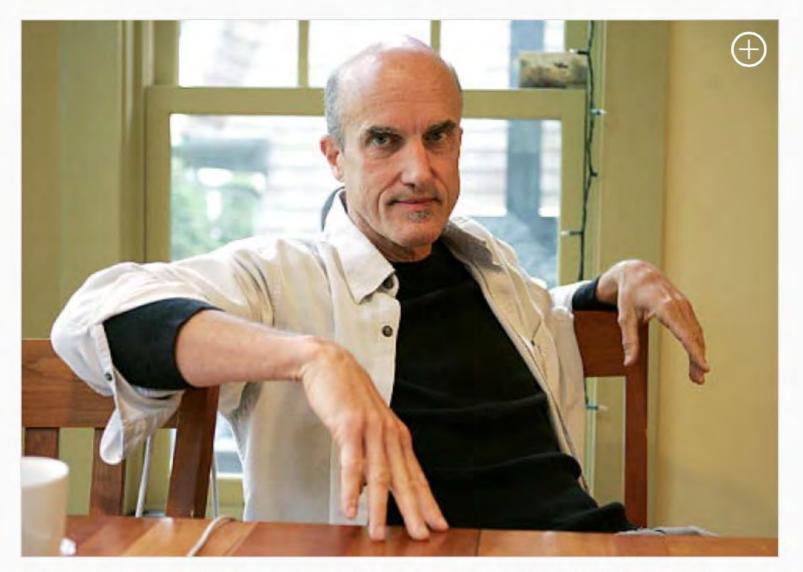


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Spirit of CARIE Award recipients Beryl Goldman and Philip Marshall; with Diane Menio, Executive Director of the Center for Advocacy for the Rights and Interests of the Elderly (CARIE), Philadelphia, PA. April 20, 2016. Photo: Mark Garvin



Philip Marshall, 62, says he and his brother won't contest his father's will. (DELMUNDO FOR NEWS)

"I knew the minute I tried to help my grandmother that I would be disinherited ... it was of no consequence to me. I would do so again — I would help my grandmother irrespective of the consequences to me."

Ross, Barbara. "Brooke Astor heir Anthony Marshall leaves sons out of his will; millions will go to second wife and her children." New York Daily News. June 11, 2015.



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