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My dear Mr. Osborne:

I understand from your letter that the Pension Department has asked to have a guardian appointed for Mrs. Knowles, but that before this can be done it will be necessary that she be adjudged incompetent, and that in order that this be done legally an attorney will have to be employed at Findley's Lake to summon a sheriff's jury and have a commission appointed to take testimony. This seems to me a slow process. Is there an attorney in Findley's Lake who could put the matter through promptly?

Will you be good enough to send to me the address of the person or persons in the Pension Department with whom you are corresponding, in order that I may write directly there in regard to my appointment as guardian? It might be that the Department, under the circumstances, would accept me as guardian and allow me power of attorney without the taking of further testimony than they must have already taken, or perhaps on your and Mrs. Shumm's affidavits as to Mrs. Knowles' condition.

Kindly let me know promptly the best way in which I can coöperate with you.

Very truly yours,