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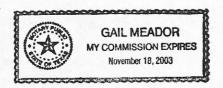
COUNTY OF TARRANT

BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public, on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of 20, 20, personally appeared JUSTIN ADAMS, who being sworn by me on his oath, deposed and said the following:

My name is JUSTIN ADAMS and Barton Gaines is my brother. The first time I remember my brother acting strange was the day I was moving out of my parent's house into my own apartment. My brother came out wearing a very small towel at 10:00am and barely covering himself, talking so fast and loud, and his eyes were huge! I was in shock as well as embarrassed. We had mutual friends over helping load the moving truck and we all stood there staring. We had never seen him this way and realized something was terribly wrong. Later I found out that he had been arrested for a crime of shooting and robbing 2 kids. To this day, I still am in shock and cannot believe it is true. As time went on and I visited him jail I thought he was insane! He would not pay any attention to us, look around the booth, and play with screw holes! Then he would not be able to follow a conversation and start getting agitated with us. It was not hard to see that his thought process was not able to connect to the reality of the conversation. I my self have been diagnosed with bipolar since I was 16, and have been committed into a hospital for psychotic manic episodes 3 times. So when I seen him in jail I questioned my mom about if she thought Bart was. We made several visits to his attorney with information on this disease and told him it ran in the family. However, he never seemed interested in it. We even explained to him that the grandmother and grandfather had committed suicide because of this illness. I knew this was not the brother I grew up with playing football and baseball the majority of our youth. Bart was always giving to our friends; I would always tell him how they were taking advantage of him. I truly believe with all my heart, my brother was put on the wrong medication or it was in his genetics that caused this horrible episode to happen. If he would have been going to a doctor and taking the right medication, that you would not be reading this today and I would not be writing this statement.

> JUSTIN ADAMS, Affiant 1001 EDGEWOOD TRAIL BENBROOK, TEXAS 76126

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, this 20 03, to which witness my hand and seal of office.



Notary Public, State of Texas