DNR Order: Family Obtains Jury's Verdict.

The ninety-two year-old nursing home resident's granddaughter had provided the facility with a living will and advance directive she signed as the resident's healthcare surrogate decision-maker.

The patient suffered a seizure. Later that day paramedics were called, even though staff knew they would have to intubate her and transport her to the hospital.

The patient spent six days on a respirator, then was extubated and passed four days later.

The family got \$150,00 from a jury in the Circuit Court, Palm Beach County, Florida for the resident's suffering after her life was prolonged contrary to the living will and advance directive. <u>Scheible v. Morse Geri Center</u>, 2007 WL 4523047 (Cir. Ct. Palm Beach Co., Florida, March 16, 2007).