March 30, 2016

Spectrum Institute
Disability and Guardianship Project
9420 Reseda Blvd. #240
Northridge, CA 91324

Attention: Thomas F. Coleman
Legal Director

Dear Tom,

TASH is pleased to support Spectrum Institute’s Access to Advocacy Outreach Project and the Institute's efforts to secure effective advocacy services for all guardianship respondents. http://spectruminstitute.org/outreach/

TASH has long been an international leader calling for supports for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities that are respectful of their right to self-determination and autonomy. We believe Spectrum Institute’s work is aligned with TASH’s values-based philosophy.

TASH is an international grassroots leader in advancing inclusive communities through research, education and advocacy. Founded in 1975, we are a volunteer-driven organization that advocates for human rights and inclusion for people with the most significant disabilities and support needs — those most vulnerable to segregation, abuse, neglect and institutionalization. The inclusive practices we validate through research have been shown to improve outcomes for all people.

Sincerely,

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