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**MRS HELEN ROSS-SSODEN**

Dear Helen,

Over the years I have seen too much misuse of "Power of Attorney". The only time it should be used is when a person - according to law - cannot manage their own affairs any more. I say according to law because too many relatives anxious to get control of their parent's estate, browbeat, coerce and even con the said parents into giving them the "Power of Attorney". There needs to be stringent laws/guidelines put in place to prevent this happening.

The same should apply to the Government also as there have been some nasty problems from them also.

If you require anything else please contact me

Regards,

Joan Bidlo  
Hon State Secretary