909 Beethoven Street

This two story residence in coastal New Jersey is a fairly standard wooden house with a nice back yard and a couple of trees to give it shade. There's no central air, but since it was originally designed to be a summer home there's plenty of windows to catch the breeze and the house is pleasant enough except in the hottest of summers. The fixtures are kept up to date, but not fanatically so. There are three bedrooms, but one is a converted craft/storage space. Two bathrooms. All in all, the site is nice, but not immediately remarkable.

The site is also an absolute **sink** for electromagnetic radiation. Basically put, mobile electronic broadcasters simply do not **work** at 909 Beethoven Street. No cell phones, no radios, no wifi, no walkie-talkies, no television broadcasts: it's absolutely dead space. Anything wired works, so there's cable television, internet, and an old-style telephone... but otherwise the place is an anti-surveillance enthusiast's paranoid dream. You can *maybe* record a conversation from picking up vibrations on the windows, but that's not reliable and there's no verified examples of anybody doing a successful passive sound

recording. Seriously, this place violates a lot of casual physics.

Right now, the property is owned by an elderly widow who has shown no interest in moving. The last four attempts to evict (or worse) her anyway have all ended with various mysterious disappearances by the individuals tasked for that job, sometimes accompanied with late night phone calls to various HQs, featuring a lot of panicked screaming and futile pleas for mercy. Clearly the woman is under *somebody's* protection, and that somebody is utterly unafraid of the Shadow Conspiracy.

On the other hand, the widow likes visitors. Turns out that if you stop by around noon or so, bring some cookies, and look at some pictures of her grandchildren then she won't mind at **all** if a couple of you go into a room with no exterior walls and have a quick and extremely discreet conversation. More importantly, neither will whatever it was that disappeared those unlamented idiots that tried to go all Agent Smith on a nice old lady...

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