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# Elder Law

McLaughlin & Stern's Elder Law department is a recognition of the demographic trend of increased longevity. With that increased life span come a variety of legal issues that require skilled legal counsel. The department attorneys deal with matters involving long-term care (at home care, in assisted living and in nursing homes); advance directives (trusts, powers of attorney and health care proxies); complex guardianship proceedings; guardianships and supplemental needs trusts for younger disabled adults; protecting vulnerable seniors from physical and financial abuse. Our attorneys are skilled at devising estate plans which enable our clients to obtain Medicaid benefits while protecting their assets from the costs of long term care. We also provide our clients with step-by-step guidance in order to ensure that our asset protection plans are properly implemented. In addition, we prepare applications for Medicaid benefits, and if necessary represent our clients at administrative hearings if said benefits are improperly denied or terminated.

The attorneys in the elder law department of McLaughlin & Stern are experienced and have held leadership positions in national, state and local bar associations. The attorneys are sensitive to the difficult emotional issues that a client is confronted with when a family member is diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or Parkinson's disease or suffers a stroke. Because our attorneys deal with Medicare and Medicaid issues on a daily basis, they are able to offer comprehensive solutions to topics that can be overwhelmingly complicated to many.