



ELDER LAW

Special consideration and planning strategies are necessary when dealing with the important financial and estate planning matters that confront older adults. In addition to the estate planning concerns and financial decisions that must be addressed by all adults, older adults and their adult children must often consider additional issues, such as those related to health care, long term care planning, and wealth protection, as well as the day-to-day issues that affect their daily life, such as assisted living and lifetime planning,

Riker Danzig's Elder Law attorneys understand the intricacies of the issues affecting older adults. Our Elder Law clients benefit from attorneys who know the health care world from the inside as well as the outside. The head of our group, Michael LaMagna, is a licensed Nursing Home Administrator and has managed a number of health care facilities, including assisted living centers, nursing homes and independent housing centers. His hands-on experience in facilitating the actual care of seniors is invaluable in his practice of law, where he is helping seniors create long term care plans and identify the right options for them.

In addition, our team of attorneys work in a collaborative manner, drawing on their collective experience and expertise to explore possibilities and identify tailored solutions for each client.

Our Elder Law attorneys offer a comprehensive array of legal services for individuals and their families addressing the following areas of focus:

Trusts and Estates

- Wills and trusts
- Special needs trusts
- Asset protection planning
- Probate/trusts and corresponding litigation
- Fiduciary relationships
- Enhanced powers of attorney
- Estate administration

- Trust administration

Medicare/Medicaid Claims

- Medicaid eligibility strategies
- Long term care planning and insurance
- Medicare/Medicaid claims
- Medicare/Medicaid appeals
- Community and institutional Medicaid applications
- Reimbursement issues
- Social Security/SSI litigation

Long Term Health Care Planning

- Living will and advance directives
- Health care planning
- Nursing home/Assisted living placement and claims
- Patient rights

Guardianships/Conservatorships

- Guardianship/Conservatorship proceedings
- Contested and uncontested Article 81 Guardianships
- Article 17-A Guardianships for the special needs population

Riker Danzig's Elder Law attorneys have the experience and resources to address and resolve your estate and lifetime planning needs and legal concerns, helping families to plan for their longevity and protect their welfare. Whether it is an issue related to tax and estate planning, special needs children, or long term care and government entitlements for seniors, we provide experienced counsel to help our clients achieve their goals.

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