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Legal Issues of the Aging 2025

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Program dates start September 19.
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Legal Issues of the Aging 2025

Co-produced with the Elder Law and Special Needs Section of the State Bar of Wisconsin

Plan, advise, and support

Older clients and their families often face a complex array of legal, financial, and caregiving decisions, particularly as care needs evolve and benefit rules change. **Legal Issues of the Aging 2025** offers practice-ready insight into the evolving challenges of elder and special needs law, including care planning, Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), and recent legislative updates. Unpack emerging ownership trends in assisted living facilities, review licensing issues, and discuss payment concerns. You'll come away with practical strategies to support clients facing the legal realities of aging, disability, and long-term care. **Register today!**

HOW YOU'LL BENEFIT

- Reduce risk when advising clients on assisted living entry, care arrangements, and disputes
- Stay ahead of legal and policy changes that impact elder and special needs planning
- Know when and how to use pooled versus private special needs trusts
- Integrate recent case law and Department of Health Services guidance into your client strategies
- Represent clients more effectively in fair hearings and public benefit matters

SCHEDULE

8:00 AM Registration

8:30 AM Where the Rubber Meets the Road — A Panel Discussion with the Facility and Elder Law Perspective

- Legal trends shaping assisted living mergers and acquisitions by private equity or family-owned buyers
- Navigating key regulatory challenges — from licensing issues to drafting admissions agreements
- Managing high-risk situations like involuntary discharges and private pay timelines

Moderator: Jon Fischer Panel: Robert J. Lightfoot, Bridget M. Erwin

9:45 AM 'We'll Take Care of You No Matter What' and Other Tall Tales

Moderator: Jessica A. Liebau; Panel: Jessica A. Braun, Blaine Patiño

11:00 AM Break

11:15 AM Public Benefits Update

Brenda R. Haskins

12:30 PM Networking Lunch (Madison In-Person Presentation)

Attend the in-person seminar for a special opportunity to meet and chat with presenters and fellow attendees at a complimentary luncheon sponsored by the **State Bar's Elder Law and Special Needs Section**.



1:30 PM Fair Hearing How To

- When and why you should file for a fair hearing
 - How to prepare for the fair hearing
 - Presentation of evidence at the fair hearing
 - Pros and cons of settlement before hearing
 - Supplementing the record
 - Petitioning for attorney's fees and costs after a favorable decision
- Margaret W. Hickey, Heather B. Poster*

2:45 PM Break

3:00 AM Case Law Update

- New legislation
 - New case law
 - New DHS memos
 - New fair hearing decisions
- Katrina Hochholzer, Sara K. Micheletti*

4:15 PM Program Concludes

Following start time, schedule will vary slightly from above. All times are Central Time Zone.

FACULTY

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CREDITS

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DATES & LOCATION

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Friday, September 19, 2025
State Bar Center
5302 Eastpark Blvd.
Madison, WI
(608) 257-3838

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Guardianship and Protective Placement for Older Adults in Wisconsin

This comprehensive guide to the statutes, procedures, and practical considerations involved in guardianship and protective placement matters breaks down complex concepts into accessible language. Designed for clarity and usability, it includes checklists to keep you on track and practical tips to help you manage cases effectively.

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