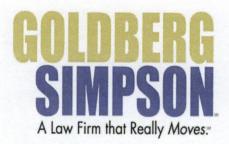
Elder Law Information Sheet and Checklist



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What to Bring to the First Attorney Meeting

The checklist below provides the attorney with the information necessary to evaluate the issues. If a document is listed, please bring an extra copy for the attorney to keep.

Information about the Elderly Person(s):

Full legal name		
Home Address		
Nursing Home Address (if applicable)		
Date entered nursing home (if applicable)		
Date of birth		
Marital status		
If married, name of the spouse?		
Social security number		
Is the person already on Medicaid? If so, who is the caseworker?		
List of assets, such as:		
 Bank accounts, brokerage accounts, CDs, savings, checking, 		
money market accounts		
□ Real Estate and rental income		
□ Life insurance		
□ Retirement		
□ Farm equipment		
□ Vehicles		
Personal Property		
Business interests		
 Nursing Home Insurance 		
□ Tobacco funds		
□ FSA Funds		
 Long term care policies 		
Does the elderly person have a power of attorney document?		
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Has there been a guardianship or conservatorship proceeding started? If so, wha court?		
Is the elderly person a veteran? If so, what were the years of active military service?		
Is there a child living in the parent's home that acted as a caregiver?		
Is the elderly person involved in any lawsuits?		



☐ Have there been any gifts/transfers within the last five years?

☐ Is there a child who has been the primary caretaker?

What to Bring to the First Attorney Meeting (continued)

Information about you:

- □ Full legal name
- Address
- □ Phone (work and home)
- Cell number
- □ Relationship to the elderly person
- □ E-mail address
- Date of birth

Other information:

All children:

- □ Full legal names
- Addresses of all children
- Dates of birth
- □ Is any child disabled?

Representatives:

- □ CPA
- Address
- Primary Physician
- Address
- Other Physicians
- □ Address



Documents (if available):

- □ A copy of the Last Will and Testament
- Copy of front and back of Social Security Card
- Copy of front and back of Medicare Card
- Social Security Award Letter for current year
- ☐ Any trust documents to which the person was a recipient or created
- □ Deeds and/or leases to all real estate (if available)
- □ PVA Card for real estate in which the person has an interest
- □ All account statements for each of the person's accounts (bank, brokerage, CD, IRA, 401(k), pension, etc.) for last six months
- Stock certificates
- ☐ Information about closely held businesses
- Life insurance policies
- Long Term Care policies
- □ Long Term Care account/payment statements
- Supplemental Medicare Policy
- Medicare Part D Policy
- □ Full copy of all Annuities
- □ Vehicle title and registration documents
- □ Boat/plane title documents
- Retirement statements
- □ Divorce documents (if divorced)
- □ List of any and all bills/debt
- □ Any document showing what the person may own (loans, credit cards, mortgages etc.)
- □ Any documents showing who might owe the elderly person (promissory notes, etc.)
- □ Any information about charitable pledges
- □ Current statement of the person's nursing home/assisted living account if in a nursing home or assisted living facility
- □ Tax Returns for last three tax years
- □ Funeral documents of any kind
- Documents concerning ownership of monuments



Checklist For Incapacity (some items may not apply)

То	do:	date completed:
	Read Power of Attorney (if applicable) If no power of attorney, secure guardianship and/or conservatorship (consult attorney) Open new accounts as attorney-in-fact or	
	Custodian (consult attorney)	
	Necessary Documents to open a custodial account:	
	Copy of Power of Attorney DocumerCourt Order appointing Guardian/CoCopy of Social Security Number	
	If rental property, notify landlord, change utilities, etc.	
	Advise Post Office to forward mail to custodian	
	Check homeowners insurance for unoccupied	
	house coverage	
	Stop publications/mail	
	Arrange for lawn care, other home maintenance	
	Arrange care for any pets	
	Notify insurance companies (long term care and other)	
	about medical issues and file claims where appropriate	
	Notify Veterans Administration to apply for benefits	
	Notify Social Security of custodian	
	Notify Medicare, if applicable	
	File appropriate tax returns (consult attorney)	
	Make a detailed list of creditors	
	To provide to your attorney)	
	Check for safe deposit box and who has access	
	(when access allowed, inventory contents)	



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