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**E-NEWSLETTER HIGHLIGHTS**

**Announcing 2018 Award Recipients.**

**Richard D. Hawke received the Lifetime Service Award, posthumously.** The Award was accepted on his behalf by Richard's wife Susan Hawke and his brother Douglas Hawke.



Pictured are Dick's: brother, Doug; wife, Susan; and son-one of three children, Byron. Thank you, Jack Austin, for the photo.

**Suzanne M. Scheller received the Mary Alice Gooderl Memorial Award.**





Pictured here are: Suzanne Scheller, Legislative Committee Co-Chair. Joe Scheller (husband), and sons Tim Scheller, Peter Scheller, and Mark Scheller.

**Randy F. Boggio and Suzanne Coullard Sandahl were inducted into the Elder Law Section Hall of Fame.**



Pictured here are Randy F. Boggio and wife, Jan Schultz.



Pictured here are Julian Zweber and Suzanne Sandahl.

Submitted by: Julian Zweber.

## **NOVEMBER EVENTS**

### **Upcoming CLE: Long Term Care Insurance Basics and 2015 Legislative Changes**

November 29, Noon to 1 pm, MSBA Minneapolis, Pipestone Room. Participation by webcast available.

Register here: [The Basics of Long Term Care Insurance](#)

## **ELDER LAW NEWS**

### **CPR Training With the Red Cross**

Many of us were able to attend the Elder Law Institute in October - always fun to see so many Elder Law attorneys in one place! One important takeaway (among many) was that CPR training would be a good skill for more people to acquire. One of our own, Terrie Lewis, shared how CPR training can in fact mean the difference between life and death for someone; in her case, her own husband.

Terrie suggested CPR may well be something all Elder Law practices should have available for their clients should an adverse health event occur during a client meeting/at the attorney's office. Mardell Presler suggested contacting your local Red Cross to schedule a training. In case you are

inspired to actually check this off your list, please find a link to local CPR training offered by the Red Cross below. And good for you if you follow through!

[CPR Training With the Red Cross](#)

Submitted by: Maya Missaghi.

### **Supreme Court Considers Whether Prisoner with Dementia and No Memory of His Crime Should be Executed**

“Last November, the U.S. Supreme Court summarily rejected the appeal of an Alabama death row prisoner...[who is] suffering the diseases and infirmities of old age.”

BY Mark Walsh, October 2018 ABA Journal

Read full article: [Supreme Court Considers Whether Prisoners with Dementia Should Be Executed](#)

Review Brief: [SCOTUSblog Coverage of \*Madison v. Alabama\*](#)

Submitted by: Laura Orr.

Please submit news articles of interest to [mardell@mardellpreslerlaw.com](mailto:mardell@mardellpreslerlaw.com).

## **ELDER LAW SECTION ACTIVITIES**

### **ADVOCACY SUPPORT COMMITTEE:**

The Advocacy Support Committee meets at the offices of Long, Reher, Hanson & Price. Telephone participation is available. Please contact committee chair Laura Zdychnec at [lzdychnec@mnelderlaw.com](mailto:lzdychnec@mnelderlaw.com) for call-in instructions or more information.

Upcoming meeting dates to be announced.

### **PRO BONO COMMITTEE:**

The Pro Bono Committee meets on the third Friday of every other month at 3 pm at Estate and Elder Law Services, 1900 Central Ave. NE, Ste. 106, Conference Room, Minneapolis. Parking is available behind the building and along adjacent streets. Attendees should enter through the Estate and Elder Law Services door on Central Avenue by ringing the doorbell. Our next meeting will be:

**November 16, 2018 at 3 p.m.**

Questions may be directed to Jennifer Wright at [jlinderwright@gmail.com](mailto:jlinderwright@gmail.com).

## COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE:

The Communications Committee oversees the monthly Elder Law E-Newsletter and the Elder Law Section website. The committee is composed of the e-newsletter editor, web editor, associate editors, contributors, and any other interested section members. Meetings are to be held every other month to review issues related to the e-newsletter and the website, and to conduct an annual member survey. Upcoming meetings for the Communications Committee are as follows:

**November 14, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.**

**January 9, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.**

**March 13, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.**

**June 12, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.**

The meeting location is Schromen Law, 600 Marshall Avenue, Saint Paul, MN 55102.

Anyone interested in serving on the committee or suggesting ideas for the newsletter or website may contact Communications Committee chair Rachel Schromen at [rachel@schromenlaw.com](mailto:rachel@schromenlaw.com) or 651-571-2515.

## DIVERSITY COMMITTEE:

Meetings will be held via teleconference on the second Tuesday of every month from 9:30-10:15 am.

Please contact Maya Missaghi at [maya@mmlawservices.com](mailto:maya@mmlawservices.com) if you would like to join!

## EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

The Education Committee plans CLE seminars sponsored by the Elder Law Section and meets by telephone on the second Thursday of each month from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.

The next meeting will be **November 8, 2018**.

If you would like to participate, please contact the committee chair, Laura Orr at [laura.orr@smrls.org](mailto:laura.orr@smrls.org).

## LAW STUDENT COMMITTEE:

The Law Student Committee helps attract students to become the next generation of elder law attorneys. The committee meets as needed during the school year. Our goal for this bar year is to host a panel event at each local law school where students can ask questions about the practice of elder law. We are always looking for other ways to engage students, so please feel free to attend meetings and make suggestions.

If you have questions about the committee, contact Jack Austin at [jack@hawkelawgroup.com](mailto:jack@hawkelawgroup.com).

## MA COMMITTEE:

The 2018-2019 Medical Assistance (MA) Committee meetings will be at 3:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of even-numbered months.

Upcoming meeting dates:

### **December 18, 2018 at 3:30 p.m.**

The Medical Assistance Committee is a study group to analyze the members' questions and case studies and to discuss administrative policies and procedures in relation to Medical Assistance in Minnesota. For directions, or to attend by phone, please contact Traci Sherman with Pluto Boes Legal, PLLC, at [tsherman@plutoboeslegal.com](mailto:tsherman@plutoboeslegal.com) or 507-247-5900 at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Topics for the meeting may be submitted to [tsherman@plutoboeslegal.com](mailto:tsherman@plutoboeslegal.com) under the subject heading "MA Committee Topic," or faxed to 507-247-5868.

The Committee is hosted by Estate & Elder Law Service at Monroe Village, 1900 Central Avenue NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418. Parking is available behind the building and along adjacent streets. In-person attendees should enter through the door facing the parking lot behind the building. This door leads directly into the community room.

MA Committee members are invited to join the Medical Assistance Community forum at [my.mnbar.org](http://my.mnbar.org). Please contact Tram Nguyen at [tnguyen@statebar.gen.mn.us](mailto:tnguyen@statebar.gen.mn.us) to be added to the community.

## NEW LAWYERS COMMITTEE:

Meetings will be held the second Thursday of even-numbered months at noon. Each meeting has a different topic based upon input from the new lawyers committee. Minutes of past meetings are available. The meetings are formatted so that a seasoned elder law attorney will speak for the first half hour, and the second half hour will be questions and answers.

Meetings will be held at Chestnut Cambronne PA, 17 Washington Ave N #300, Minneapolis, MN, 55401. Please contact Pook Grathwol at [pgrathwol@chestnutcambronne.com](mailto:pgrathwol@chestnutcambronne.com) or (612) 336-2919.

## STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE:

The next Strategic Planning Committee meeting date is to be announced. Meetings are held at the law office of Maser, Amundson, Boggio & Hendricks, P.A., located at 6601 Lyndale Avenue South, Suite 320, Richfield, MN 55423. Questions may be directed to Brenna Galvin at [bgalvin@maserlaw.com](mailto:bgalvin@maserlaw.com).

## VULNERABLE ADULT COMMITTEE:

Contact Marit Peterson at [marit.peterson@elderjusticemn.org](mailto:marit.peterson@elderjusticemn.org) or 651-440-9303, if you are interested in participating in this committee.

GOVERNING COUNCIL:

Upcoming meeting dates:

**Friday, December 21, 2018 at 3:30 pm @ Monroe Village Community Room**  
**Friday, February 15, 2019 at 3:30 pm @ Monroe Village Community Room**  
**Friday, April 26, 2019 at 3:30 pm @ Monroe Village Community Room**  
**Friday, June 21, 2019 at 3:30 pm @ Monroe Village Community Room (The Governing Council meeting will take place immediately following the Section Annual Meeting at 3:30 PM)**

Meetings will be held at the Monroe Village Community Room. Monroe Village is located at 1900 Central Avenue NE, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55418. Parking is available behind the building and along adjacent streets. In-person attendees should enter through the door facing the parking lot behind the building. This door leads directly into the community room. For further information, please contact Tram Nguyen, section services manager, at [tnguyen@mnbar.org](mailto:tnguyen@mnbar.org) or 612-278-6316.

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The MSBA Elder Law Section's [Website](#) contains information about section committees and leadership. It also contains useful practice resources.

You may email Bridget-Michaele Reischl at [bridget@decorolaw.com](mailto:bridget@decorolaw.com) to suggest changes to website content.

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Please send E-Newsletter contributions by 10 p.m. on the last day of each month to Mardell Presler at [mardell@mardellpreslerlaw.com](mailto:mardell@mardellpreslerlaw.com). The E-Newsletter is distributed on the first Monday of each month. If the first Monday occurs on a holiday, the E-Newsletter will be distributed on the following Monday.

If you do not wish to receive this E-Newsletter, send your request to be removed from the mailing list to Tram Nguyen at [tnguyen@statebar.gen.mn.us](mailto:tnguyen@statebar.gen.mn.us).

Current and prior E-Newsletters are posted on the website for the MSBA Elder Law Section and are available [HERE](#).