

Florida Elder Justice Conference Agenda

Stetson University College of Law, Tampa Campus
1700 N. Tampa St., Tampa, FL 33602

Thursday April 11

Registration starts at 12:30 pm

1:00 - 2:00 pm

Plenary; The Older Americans Act, Model Approaches, ADRCs/Legal Aid

Working Together:

Panel: Richard Prudom, Secretary, Florida Department of Elder Affairs; Paul Nathanson, Founder of the National Senior Citizens Law Center, now Justice in Aging (JIA); Hilary Dalin, Office of Elder Justice and Adult Protective Services, Administration on Community Living (ACL); Sarah Halsell, State Legal Services Developer, Florida Department of Elder Affairs; Max Rothman, Miami-Dade County Area Alliance for Aging

Session 1 and 2 *2:15 - 3:30 pm*

1: Home Ownership Issues for Low-Income Seniors Room 135

Panel: Sue Helen Motley, Bay Area Legal Services; Lynn Drysdale, Jacksonville Area Legal Aid; Judge Catherine McEwen, United States Bankruptcy Court, Middle District of Florida

2: Representing Residents of Long-Term Care Facilities Room 136

Panel: Eric Carlson, Justice In Aging; Edwin Boyer, Boyer and Boyer; Hilary Dalin, Administration on Community Living (ACL).

Break 3:30 - 3:45 pm

Session 3 *3:45 - 5:00 pm*

3: Ethics: Avoiding Ethical "Alligators" in Elder Law

Panel: Roberta Flowers, Stetson University School of Law; Carol Moody, Bay Area Legal Services

Happy Hour at Zydeco Brew Werks 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Friday April 12

Shuttles depart from hotel starting at 8:15 am

Coffee & Tea **8:30 am**

Session 4 and 5 *9:00 - 10:15 am*

4: Protecting Vulnerable Elderly Consumers **Room 136**

Panel: Robin Stover, Gulfcoast Legal Services; Nancy Roden, Gulfcoast Legal Aid; Aaron Swift & Jordan Isringhaus, Swift, Isringhaus & Dubbeld, P.A

5 Medicaid Managed Care: Helping Elderly Clients Obtain Medically Necessary Services **Room 135**

Katy DeBriere, Northeast Florida Medicaid Legal Partnership; Miriam Harmatz, Florida Health Justice Project; Anne Swerlick, Florida Policy Institute

Break 10:15 - 10:20

Session 6 and 7 *10:20-11:30 am*

6 Medicare Issues Impacting Low-Income Seniors **Room 136**

Panel: Natalie Kean, Justice in Aging; Kathleen Sarmiento, SHINE Liason, Miami Alliance for Aging

7 Tenants' Rights and Affordable Housing Issues Facing Seniors **Room 135**

Panel: Patrice Paldino, Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida; Tequisha Myles, Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County; Ben Toro-Spears, Florida Housing Coalition

Buffet Lunch in Vause Atrium: 11: 30 am - 12:30 pm

Featuring a Brief Presentation by Florida Attorney General, Ashley Moody

Sponsored by the Elder Law Section of the Florida Bar (ELS) and the Academy of Florida Elder Law Attorneys (AFELA)

Plenary Panel: A "rapid fire" review of key current elder law issues and innovative projects: 12:30-1:40 pm

- 1) Tax issues impacting legal aid clients: Mary Ann David, Legal Services of Greater Miami
- 2) Income Trusts: providing the service through legal aid: Tequisha Myles, Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County
- 3) Dental care for seniors: prospects in Medicare coverage; new coverage in Medicaid: Miriam Harmatz, Florida Health Justice Project
- 4) Building Bridges: Legal Services & Consumer Protection attorneys working together: Robert Follis, Assistant Attorney General, Tampa Consumer Protection Division

- 5) Partnering with social workers: the Social Services Navigator Program: Nicole Del Rio, Bay Area Legal Services
- 6) Medical legal partnerships for vulnerable elderly—Nancy Wright, Three Rivers Legal Services
- 7) Guardianships—National overview of issues and best practices for legal aid: Wynn Gerhard, Greater Boston Legal Services
- 8) Retroactive Medicaid eligibility—John Clardy, Clardy Elder Law
- 9) End Life Planning—Robin Stover, Gulfcoast Legal Services

Break **1:40-1:50**

Session 8 and 9 **1:50 – 3:00 pm**

8 State Legislation Impacting Florida’s Seniors: Current Issues; Future Priorities and Advocacy Lessons Room 136

Panel: Dorene Barker, AARP –Florida; Arthur Rosenberg; Matt Childers, Florida Health Justice Project

9 Using Technology to Identify the Legal Risks of Vulnerable Adults Room 135

Panel: Ellen Cheek, Florida Senior Legal Helpline; Sam Harden, Florida Justice Technology Center; Sarah Halsell, Florida Department of Elder Affairs

Session 10 and 11 **3:00 - 4:10 pm**

10 Maximizing Advocacy Impact Through Public-Private Partnerships Room 136

Panel: Natalie Castellanos, Health Foundation of South Florida; Donny MacKenzie, Florida Bar Foundation; Linda Schotthoefer, United Way of Miami-Dade

11 Florida’s Financial Exploitation Injunction Room 135

Panel: Nancy Wright, Three Rivers Legal Services; Ellen Cheek, Florida Senior Legal Helpline; Shannon Miller, The Miller Elder Law Firm

