

## Familiar Terms

**Last Will & Testament** – a document usually composed by an attorney and duly witnessed that spells out the disbursements of your assets.

**Living Will** – an additional document that details life sustaining treatments and/or medical procedures you do or do not wish to take advantage of under certain conditions.

**Health Care Proxy** - refers to both the document used and the person you name to make health care decisions for you in the event that you cannot.

**Power of Attorney** – refers to the authority you have given someone to act on your behalf in certain legal situations.

**Durable Power of Attorney** – the process whereby an agent is named to make legal decisions for you regardless of changes in your physical and mental condition.

**Gifting/Trusts/Transfers** – procedures used to reduce an estate, avoid taxes and provide for your family.

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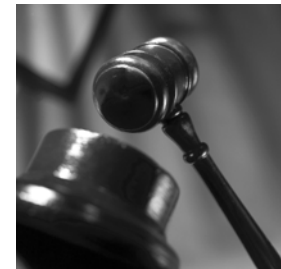
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## *Legal Services Program*

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*The Niagara County Office for the Aging attorney offers Niagara County residents 60 and over information and assistance with such concerns as:*

- Health Care Proxy
- Wills
- Guardianship
- Power of Attorney
- Living Wills and Trusts
- Consumer Fraud
- Contractual Disputes
- Tenant - Landlord Disputes
- Home Ownership Questions
- Neighbor Disputes
- Social Security Questions
- Medicare and Medicaid Related Problems
- SSI Application and Eligibility Questions

## *Schedule*

The attorney is available on a first come first served basis at the following times and locations:

- Every Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the Niagara County Office for the Aging office in Lockport, 111 Main Street.
- At various Nutrition sites throughout the County. Appointments are required at some sites. Call 438-4020 for the monthly schedule and to make an appointment if needed.



### **Services are confidential.**

No information provided to the attorney will be released without your permission

## *Fees*

There are no fees for the program and no income test to receive services. Contributions for services received are accepted. Your contribution helps make more services available to others.

## *Referrals*

The attorney works part-time, and may refer you to another lawyer for assistance requiring large amounts of time, assistance with criminal charges, assistance that requires that you be represented in court, and such matters as lawsuits. The attorney can provide you with information and guidance in these matters so you can obtain adequate legal representation.

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