

# ElderLaw News

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# Please Note Our New Name, Our New Florida Location and the D.C. Bar News

This year has brought several exciting changes to our practice which will enhance our ability to serve those in need of an experienced elder law and estate planning firm.

First, we have changed the name of the firm to Felinton Elder Law and Estate Planning Centers. This new name properly positions the services we provide our clients and reflects our three locations: two in Maryland (Rockville and Columbia) and one in Delray Beach, Florida.

Also, Mindy Felinton has been admitted to the D.C. Bar and is now pleased to offer her legal expertise to residents of the District of Columbia.

We hope you'll take a few minutes to review this informative newsletter. As always, we appreciate the referrals many of you have provided us.

Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have.

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#### Free Medicare Preventive Care Has Kicked In

One of the benefits of the health reform law took effect January 1, 2011: free preventive services for Medicare recipients. Under the law, people with regular Medicare will no longer have to pay a co-pay, coinsurance, or deductible to receive preventive services that are highly recommended by the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force.

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# A Trip to the Hospital May Put Assisted Living Residents on Medicaid at Risk of Eviction

Assisted living facility residents covered by Medicaid are at risk of being evicted if they leave the facility, even for a temporary hospitalization, the National Senior Citizen's Law Center warns in a recently released White Paper on the problem. Ironically, Medicaid officials in most states have the power to prevent these evictions but in most cases are not exercising it.

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# Book Review: The Savvy Senior

Newspaper columnist Jim Miller has written a book packed with resources and basic, need-to-know information on a broad range of topics of vital interest to seniors.



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# 2011 Long-Term Care Insurance Price Index Announced

A 55-year-old individual can expect to pay \$1,480 annually for \$169,000 in current benefits, which would grow to \$354,000 of coverage by age 80, according to the 2011 Long-Term Care Insurance Price Index.

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