

William Isele Pens Chapter on Elder Abuse Law for Education Manual

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William P. Isele, Of Counsel to Archer, P.C., and New Jersey's former Ombudsman for the Institutionalized Elderly, is author of an all-new chapter on elder abuse and exploitation in the 2010 supplement to New Jersey Elder & Disability Law Practice, a comprehensive treatise published by the New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education (NJICLE).

The treatise synthesizes applicable federal law and the broad range of New Jersey statutes and regulations that affect the representation of seniors in the state. It covers all major concerns of seniors and their families as they confront the myriad of issues triggered by the prospect of declining health and diminished capacity.

The new chapter on abuse and exploitation is written from the unique perspective of Mr. Isele, who served eight years (1999 to 2007) as Ombudsman for the Institutionalized Elderly, leading the state government office that investigates allegations of abuse and neglect of people 60 and older living in nursing homes and other long-term health care facilities. From basic definitions of what constitutes elder abuse and exploitation, through the application of domestic violence and personal injury principles, to specialized statutory and regulatory protections afforded the elderly, the chapter offers numerous practice tips and insights. Also discussed in detail are the difficult process of end-of-life decision-making and the wealth of New Jersey case law that has served as a model for other states.

Mr. Isele is based in Archer's Princeton office. He provides counsel and representation to a wide range of health care entities, from individual practitioners to hospitals, long-term care facilities and hospice providers, as well as to individuals and families faced with the challenge of planning for long-term care and competent, compassionate end-of-life care.

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