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FAIR HOUSING SYMPOSIUM

MORNING SESSION:

Fair Housing for EVERY Senior Community

AFTERNOON SESSION:

Addressing Legal Concerns:

Marketing/Admissions, Selection Criteria, Aging in Place, Wheelchairs

Updates for Administrators and their Staff

(Great information for all to hear!)

PRESENTED BY:

KATHELENE COUGHLIN WILLIAMS

The Law Offices of Williams & Edelstein, PC

Wednesday, July 29, 2009; 9:30am - 3:30pm

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

3003 Howell Mill Road; Atlanta, GA 30327



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The Law Firm of Williams & Edelstein, P.C. is recognized as being one of the country's top fair housing and civil rights defense firms.

Located in suburban Atlanta, Georgia, their firm is dedicated to providing experienced, cost-effective advice and legal representation before federal, state and administrative bodies across the country.

Today's housing industries face a wide array of civil rights responsibilities. Owners, managers, agents and brokers all face difficult decisions involving the day-to-day application of complex civil rights laws such as the Fair Housing Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and myriad other federal, state and local civil rights laws.



Who Should Attend?

This symposium is ideal for staff representing the full Continuum of Housing to include Senior Housing, Affordable Housing, Active Adult Retirement Communities, Assisted Living Communities, CCRCs and Nursing Homes. Staff to include Administrators/Executive Directors, Service Coordinators/Social Workers, Marketing & Admissions Professionals, Operations and Front-line Staff.

Why You Should Attend this Important Symposium

Understanding the application of fair housing issues to all types of senior housing is critical to effective operations and to prevent potentially devastating law suits. Recent litigation against CCRC's, HUD communities, nursing homes, senior living communities, and assisted living facilities serve to alert us that fair housing issues are relevant to all of us, not just our HUD housing members. In this session, a nationally known fair housing expert will describe the basic concepts of fair housing and accessibility including protected categories and prohibited activities.

The program will also explain how to protect yourselves and your senior communities from regulatory violations, describe transfer rights of residents with declining health, disability rights of residents and your legal obligations, including the conflicts that arise from medical assessments and the inconsistencies between state licensing requirements and fair housing laws.

Agenda

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Registration at 9:30 am

Basics of Fair Housing

- A. Law Applies to 99% of Senior Housing
 - 1. What are Dwellings?
 - 2. What about the Exemptions?
- B. Protected Categories
 - 1. What are the Federal Categories?
 - 2. Are there State or Local Categories?
- C. Disability Rights
 - 1. Who is Disabled?
 - 2. What are the Rights of Disabled Persons?
 - 3. What are the Requirements for Accessibility?

Elderly Housing Issues

- A. Marketing
 - 1. What are the primary concerns for advertising elderly housing?
 - 2. Which words and pictures should be avoided?
- B. Admissions
 - 1. What are the primary issues in admissions?
 - 2. What can be asked about an applicant's disability status?
- C. Aging in Place
 - 1. Does the community have the right to make transfers to higher levels of care?
 - 2. What can be done when a resident's abilities deteriorate?
- D. Wheelchair Rules
 - 1. Can walkers and wheelchairs be prohibited in the dining room?
 - 2. Can the use of electric wheelchairs be regulated?

Who Wants to Be a Millionaire Instructional Game

- A. Groups will answer fair housing questions
- B. The winners will leave with one million dollars

Adjourn at 3:30 pm

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Please Register the Following People for the Fair Housing Symposium

(1) Name: _____

_____ AM _____ PM _____ Both Sessions _____ I will be eating lunch _____ CEUs Needed

(2) Name: _____

_____ AM _____ PM _____ Both Sessions _____ I will be eating lunch _____ CEUs Needed

(3) Name: _____

_____ AM _____ PM _____ Both Sessions _____ I will be eating lunch _____ CEUs Needed

ORGANIZATION: _____

Number of Vegetarian Meals Required: _____

Registration Fees: AM or PM Session Only: \$50 / Both AM and PM Sessions: \$75 / Non-members: \$140

To Register: FAX this form to 404-872-1737 or MAIL this form to GIA; 607 Peachtree St., NE, Atlanta, GA 30308

Since moderate room temperatures are difficult to regulate to everyone's satisfaction, layered clothing is strongly suggested.

directions to the symposium

Trinity Presbyterian Church; 3003 Howell Mill Road; Atlanta, GA 30327

Coming from the North or South on I-75

- Exit at Moores Mill Road (Exit 254)
- At the top of the exit ramp, turn left onto Moores Mill Road
- Travel east ½ mile to the intersection with Howell Mill Road,
- The church is located on the right side of Moores Mill Road

From I-85 North:

- Traveling south on I-85, exit at I-75 N (Exit 85)
- Follow directions above

From I-85 South:

- Traveling north on I-85, exit to I-75 N (Exit 247)
- Follow directions above

From I-20 East or West:

- Exit at I-75/85 North (Exit 57)
- Continue on I-75 and follow directions above.

