

# LANE COUNTY LAW LIBRARY LEGAL RESEARCH GUIDE -- # 15: ELDER LAW

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### Generally:

There are a number of legal issues associated with elder law, including wills & trusts, power of attorney, probate, inheritance, Medicare, and others. Most of the resources in this guide cover one or more of these topics for Oregon.

### SUGGESTED RESOURCES:

#### A. LANE COUNTY LAW LIBRARY CATALOG

<http://opac.libraryworld.com/cgi-bin/opac.pl?command=signin&libraryname=lanecountylawlib>

(TIP: Select "All Words" in the drop down menu, and search the word "elder law", "probate", "medicare", "wills", "estates")

(TIP: You will not find everything on line, so please be prepared to use some of these resources and others to help answer your questions.)

The following titles are available in the Lane County Law Library.

1. **ELDER LAW 2008: ADVANCING THE PLAN (sound recordings)**, by the Oregon State Bar, 2008 : **AT-278 2008**
2. **ELDER LAW IN A NUTSHELL**, by Lawrence A. Frolik & Richard L. Kaplan, 2006 : **KF 390 .A4 .F752 2006 TRE**
3. **A WILL IS NOT ENOUGH IN OREGON**, by Amelia E. Pohl and Richard B. Schneider, 2007 : **KFO 2544 .P81 2007 RES**
4. **ELDER LAW**, by the Oregon State Bar, 2000 with 2005 supplements : **KFO 2491 .A3 .E42 2000 RES**
5. **SOCIAL SECURITY, MEDICARE, AND GOVERNMENT PENSIONS**, by Joseph L. Matthews, 2005 : **KF 3650 .M37 2005 RES**
6. **NOLO'S SIMPLE WILL BOOK**, by Dennis Clifford, 2007 : **KF 755 .Z9 C54 2007 RES**

#### B. OTHER RESOURCES

##### State & County Resources

1. **Oregon State Bar—Legal information for seniors**  
<http://www.osbar.org/public/legalinfo/elder.html>  
Includes information about wills, trusts, probate, healthcare, and other topics. Also includes links to outside resources
2. **Oregon Law Help—Free legal information for low-income residents**  
<http://www.oregonlawhelp.org/OR/index.cfm>  
Includes links to information and resources related to health benefits, long-term care,



elder abuse protection, social security, consumer issues, wills & estates, and other resources

**3. Oregon Department of Human Services—Senior Services**

<http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/spwpd/index.shtml>

**Federal Resources**

**1. Medicare.gov**

<http://www.medicare.gov/>

The official US site for people with Medicare

**2. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services**

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/>

**3. Social Security Online**

<http://www.ssa.gov/>

**Other Internet Resources**

**1. Nolo Press—Health Care and Elder Care**

<http://www.nolo.com/resource.cfm/catID/84404409-3882-4800-81764383AA66993B/118/207/>

Includes information about healthcare, wills, long-term care, and other related topics

**2. AARP, Oregon Chapter**

<http://www.aarp.org/states/or/>

Includes a wide variety of resources and articles for seniors and their caregivers

**3. Findlaw—Elder Law & Aging**

<http://public.findlaw.com/elder/>

Includes FAQ and links to various resources and articles

**4. Medline Plus—Alzheimer Caregivers**

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/alzheimerscaregivers.html>

National Library of Medicine website for caregivers and medical providers. Includes a variety of topics, some of which are also available in Spanish

**5. State of Oregon Mortuary and Cemetery Board**

<http://www.oregon.gov/MortCem/>

Includes consumer information about funeral law, Death with Dignity Act, military funerals, and FAQs about arrangements and decision making

