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Estate planning, living wills, advance directives and right to die issues have been prominent in the news recently. Private decisions have come under intense court and congressional scrutiny. Consequently, many citizens are seeking legal answers for their "end of life" choices.

This newsletter addresses these estate planning issues by selecting websites and treatises that may assist in your research.

Changes at the Library

You may notice some changes next time you visit the library. To allow space for our collection to grow, we have moved some important materials. Current bill binders have been moved closer to the reference desk in the Main Reading Room and Washington Session Laws have been shifted around the corner from their former location. Also, we have added to our easy access materials in the lower level periodical reading room. The shelves that formerly housed encyclopedias and phone books in the Periodical Reading Room now contain law review indexes and dictionaries as well.

Please do not hesitate to ask us about the location of materials.



New Display Case in Main Reading Room

ESTATE PLANNING INTERNET SITES

People have resolved to put their end of life wishes in writing and are requesting information from their attorneys. Here are a selection of estate planning and elder law resources that may assist with their personal choices and wishes.

Estate Planning Internet Guides:

Legal Research for Estate Planners

<http://www.jasonhavens.net/>

Estate Planning Links

<http://www.estateplanninglinks.com/>

Sites providing overview and instructive materials, as well as useful links related to estate planning and end of life medical decisions:

American Bar Association sites

<http://www.abalawinfo.org/fam1.html>

<http://www.abanet.org/rppt/public/home.html>

National Association of Financial and Estate Planning

<http://www.nafep.com/>

AARP Estate Planning

http://www.aarp.org/money/financial_planning/estate_planning/

Estate Planning Council of Seattle

<http://www.epcseattle.org/>

Wall Street Journal article for living wills for all 50 states:

http://online.wsj.com/public/article/0,,SB111144394604885495-4MQpLbfZZSZWMXQ4BdPaL0_1d0k_20050421_00.html?mod=tff_main_tff_top

Renée Corcoran will retire July 31, 2005 after 30 years with the Washington State Law Library. We wish her well as she begins her well deserved retirement and exciting future. We will miss her.

ESTATE PLANNING RESOURCES

Cheryl C. Mitchell & Fred H. Mitchell, 26 Washington Practice: Elder Law and Practice with Forms ch. 2, § 2 Elder Law and Estate Planning (2^d ed. 2004). This chapter also includes some forms.

Washington State Bar Ass'n, Washington Life Insurance Trust Deskbook: With Model Forms and Annotations.
KF730.I77 2002

Suzanne C. Howle & Donna M. Calf Robe, *Probate, Guardianship, and Estate Planning, in King County Bar Association, Washington Lawyers Practice Manual: Manual & Forms* ch. 10. This chapter includes a number of forms and is a great Washington resource.
KF300.W27 2004

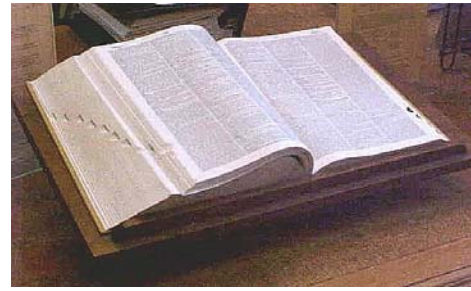
Alan Meisel & Kathy L. Cerminara, The Right To Die: The Law of End-of-Life Decisionmaking ch. 3, The Appropriate Forum for End-of-Life decisionmaking: Courts or Clinical Settings?; ch. 4, Decisionmaking Standards for Incompetent Patients; ch. 7, Advance Directives (3d ed.).
KF3827.E87M45 2004

Alan D. Lieberman, Advance Medical Directives ch. 22, Response of Religious Organizations and Advocates for the Handicapped to Advance Directives; ch. 25, Do-Not-Resuscitate Orders (Supp. 2004).
KF3827.E87M45 1992

Michael L.M. Jordan, Durable Powers of Attorney and Health Care Directives ch. 11-64, (4th ed.) for a state-by-state (and territory) guide to related statutes and forms.
KF2827.E87L53 2004

Margaret C. Jasper, The Right To Die ch. 5, Advance Directives; ch. 6, Do Not Resuscitate Orders (2d ed.).
KF3827.E87J2 2000

The Eighteenth Edition of the Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation is now available for purchase online at: <http://www.legalbluebook.com/>. The new edition features blue pages which are a how-to guide providing instruction for the citation needs of legal professionals.



Webster's New International Dictionary 2d, 1934
In the Periodical Reading Room

FREE ONLINE PRODUCTS AVAILABLE

We have Westlaw (caselaw, statutes, etc.), HeinOnline (law journals, Federal Register., etc.), Loislaw (caselaw, statutes, Washington State Bar Association Deskbooks), ACORDS (Washington Supreme and Appellate case information), LegalTrac (legal periodical abstracts) and George (our catalog) on the public terminals and Shepard's (for Shepardizing cases) and OCLC (to locate materials at other libraries) are available at the reference desks.

LIBRARY SERVICES

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