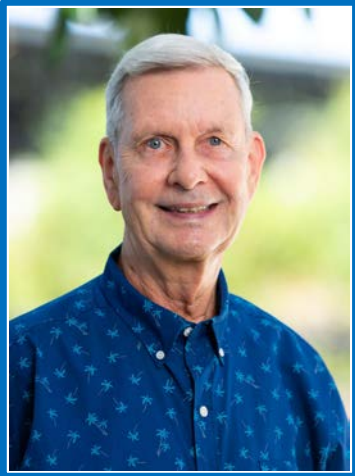


# Announcing Zoom Dementia Series Workshop

for Caregivers, Friends, Providers and Advocates  
of Persons Living with Memory Loss or Dementia



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Note: Neither this session nor the handbook discussed are intended to provide legal advice or to serve as a substitute for professional legal advice.

## Essential Legal Planning Issues for Dementia

Presented During a Class with the William S. Richardson School of Law Elder Law Clinic

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- It is wise for adults to have a plan in place in the event of death or incapacity, especially for those who may be starting to experience memory loss or a decline in thinking skills as can be seen in dementia.
- Planning for death and incapacity, especially for those diagnosed with dementia, usually involves the consideration of such essential legal and related documents such as wills, durable powers of attorney for legal and financial matters, advance health care directives, including durable powers of attorney for health care and individual instructions for health care, plus for many, provider orders for life-sustaining treatment and living trusts.
- A diagnosis of dementia does not necessarily indicate a current lack of capacity to execute essential documents legal and related documents, so it is important to seek professional legal and health care advice early on.
- The levels of capacity necessary to understand and to execute various legal documents vary and it is important to seek the assistance of a qualified attorney to provide counsel, advice, and assistance.
- Legal Documents and related forms are often complicated so it may be beneficial to look over some samples commonly used in Hawaii found in the handbook highlighted in this presentation.

**Advance Registration is required at this link:**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/essential-legal-planning-issues-for-dementia-tickets-706567150367?aff=oddtcreator>

The Zoom link & handouts will be sent separately via email to registrants before the session date.

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