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Elder Law Newsletter

Dennis M. Sandoval, A Professional Law Corporation Opens Office in Riverside

I am proud to announce the relocation of my office to 3233 Arlington Avenue, Suite 105, Riverside, California 92506. I will be sharing a suite with two other prominent Riverside attorneys. My new phone number will be (951) 787-7711 and my new fax number will be (951) 786-9813.

Dennis M. Sandoval, A PLC, Adds Professional Geriatric Care Manager to Staff

I am very proud to announce that Karen Griffith has joined my law firm as our Professional Geriatric Care Manager. Karen has a bachelors degree in Social Work from the University of Nebraska and she has over seventeen years of experience of working with seniors and the disabled. She is a member of the National Association of Professional Geriatric Care Managers.

She will assist me with the development of plans and the submission of applications for those seniors and disabled individuals seeking to obtain and maintain Medi-Cal, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Social Security Disability (SSDI), In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) and other government assistance programs.

Her other functions include the evaluation of the residences of newly disabled individuals to determine what modifications and accommodations may be necessary, participation in care plan meetings for clients in nursing homes and providing assistance to clients looking to select a nursing home or assisted living facility for their loved ones.

If you know of anyone that might benefit from Karen's expertise, please give her a call at 951-787-7711 or email her at karen@cal-elder-lawyer.com.

Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (“CMS”) Releases 2005 Medicaid Planning Numbers

The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services recently released several important Medicaid planning numbers for 2005. They are:

Maximum Community Spouse Resource Allowance (“CSRA”):	\$95,100
Minimum Monthly Maintenance Needs Allowance (“MMMNA”):	\$ 2,378

California Supplemental Security Income (“SSI”)

	Single	Married
Aged / Disabled:	\$805	\$1,422
Blind:	\$869	\$1,642

California Department of Health Services (“DHS”) Releases 2005 Medi-Cal Planning Numbers

The DHS recently released several important Medi-Cal planning numbers for 2005. They are:

Average Private Pay Rate (“APPR”):	\$ 4,812
Monthly Personal Needs Allowance:	\$ 49

Can We Be of Assistance?

Dennis M. Sandoval, A Professional Law Corporation, specializes in estate planning (including probate administration and trust / will contests), asset protection planning, elder law (including qualifying for Medi-Cal coverage, conservatorships, and creation of Special Needs Trusts for disabled beneficiaries) and tax controversy work (including federal and state tax audits, appeals and litigation). All of your referrals will be handled promptly and professionally.

Mr. Sandoval is available to speak to your group or organization. Call (951) 787-7711 to schedule him to speak on any topic relating to estate planning, elder law, asset protection or taxes.

Upcoming Seminars / Classes for Professionals

Planning Traps for Gays and the Elderly Under the California Domestic Partner Rights and Responsibilities Act of 2003	4/9/2005	9 am – noon	University of California at Riverside Extension (UNEX) 3 hrs. Attorney CLE
The Basics of Medi-Cal Planning for Long Term Care	4/30/2005	8 am – 5 pm	UNEX 7.5 hrs. Attorney CLE
Naming a Trust as Beneficiary of a Retirement Plan: A Magical Mystery Tour; Federal Estate Tax Repeal Update and Recent Developments; Using a (d)(4)(A) Trust to Protect Benefits of Disabled Beneficiaries	5/12 – 5/15/2005	TBD	American Academy of Estate Planning Attorneys Eden Roc Resort & Spa Miami
Retirement Plan Distribution Rules: A Magical Mystery Tour; Federal Estate Tax Repeal Update and recent Tax Developments	5/19 - 5/22/2005	TBD	National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys Fairmont Hotel San Francisco
The Basics of Conservatorships in California	5/26/2005	Noon – 1 pm	Kaiser Hospital Riverside
The Mechanics of Drafting First Party and Third Party Special Needs Trusts in California	6/18/2005	9 am - noon	UNEX 3 hrs. Attorney CLE
Maintaining and Maximizing Government Benefits for Special Needs Beneficiaries: The Basics of Administering a Special Needs Trust	6/18/2005	1 pm – 4 pm	UNEX 3 hrs. Attorney CLE
Retirement Plan Distribution Rules: A Magical Mystery Tour; Federal Estate Tax Repeal Update and recent Tax Developments	9/29 - 10/2/2005	TBD	National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys Sheraton New Orleans New Orleans
Topics to be Determined	10/6 – 10/10/2005	TBD	American Academy of Estate Planning Attorneys Catamaran Hotel San Diego