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The Conversation

Topics for seniors and those who care for them



Hello Paul,

I was on a tour of a local Assisted Living Community last week with the adult son of one of our clients when he turned to me and said, "*Am I asking the right questions? Am I missing anything*".

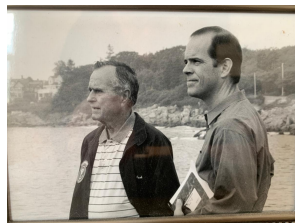
It's a common question and one on which I definitely have some thoughts.

As many of you know, in my previous career I made documentaries. I like to say, '*I've interviewed everyone from Presidents to murderers*'. My job was asking questions that got people to tell revealing stories.

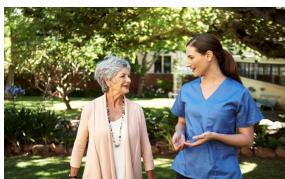
That's what you're looking for on a tour and your discussions with the staff at a community. '*What's happened here before and how will that predict what will happen if my loved one lives here?*'

Treating a community tour as a final exam on picking the right place for a loved one is way too much pressure (it's more of a midterm), but preparing for the tour as if it was, makes sense. There's no time here for the full class but I have added a blog below that scratches the surface.

...Oh, and I'm happy to provide some extra help if you're studying for that exam;)



Paul with former President George H.W. Bush

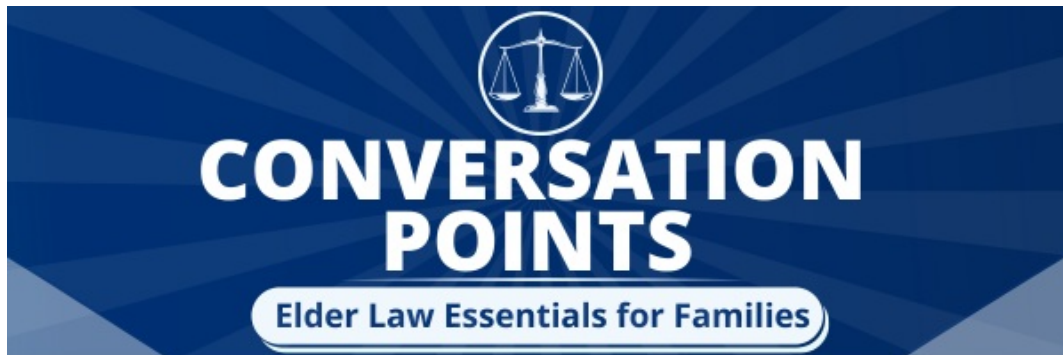


6 Expert Tips for Touring Senior Care Facilities

Choosing the right senior care facility is an important decision. We put together the best tips and a few insights from professional senior living

advisors to help you tour senior living communities like a pro.

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My mom wants to make my brother, sister, and I each POA 'to be fair'. Seems to make sense, no?

The power of attorney (“POA”) is one of the most important legal documents that is effective only while you are living. A POA gives another individual(s) (“agent or agents”) the authority to act on your behalf for financial matters and this decision has very broad implications.

The two most important types of POA’s are **general durable** (immediately active) and **springing** (which becomes active only after you lose the ability to make financial decisions).

The POA is both extremely useful for Estate and Medicaid planning and can be harmful. Choosing the right person to serve as agent is one of the most important decisions an individual can make for their future. While it’s natural for parents to want to distribute responsibilities “fairly” among their children, fairness shouldn’t be the priority—capability and trustworthiness should guide their decision.

The individual or individuals that serve in this role, should be financially responsible and have your best interests always as their priority. Placing the wrong person in this role, especially in the name of fairness, can lead to delays, disagreements, financial and/or legal consequences.

Not every family member is equally suited for the role and sometimes a family member is not the best choice. Choosing the most qualified individual ensures that decisions are made effectively and with minimal conflict, safeguarding your wishes and

well-being.

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