2012 Special Needs Trusts
The National Conference

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Law Office Management Technology

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Hot Topics About Pooled Trusts

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The Basics of Special Needs Trusts

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Loews Don CeSar Hotel
St. Pete Beach, Florida
Pre–Conference: Law Office Management
What Attorneys and Staff Need to Know About Law Office Technology

8:55 a.m.–9:00 a.m., South Terrace (Fifth Level)
Welcome and Announcements
Speaker: Rebecca C. Morgan

9:00 a.m.–9:50 a.m., South Terrace (Fifth Level)
What to Know When Dealing With or Disposing of Technology
Speaker: Jerry R. Sullenberger

When technology is used in a law office, it is important to remember that confidentiality can be compromised by unintentional dissemination of data stored on hard drives, metadata in documents, and more. This session will cover the practical and business issues when dealing with or disposing of technology.

9:50 a.m.–10:40 a.m., South Terrace (Fifth Level)
Ethical Issues in Using Technology and Social Media
Speaker: Roberta K. Flowers

This session will examine the ethical issues when attorneys or staff use technology to communicate or advertise. Topics will include using cell phones, web pages, Twitter and social networking sites, and emailing bills through third-party providers.

10:40 a.m.–11:00 a.m., King Charles (Fifth Level)
Break

11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m., South Terrace (Fifth Level)
What Law Office Staff Need to Know about Using Social Media in/for the Law Office
Speaker: Dr. Susan Demers

This session will discuss what staff need to know about using social media for the law office, as advertising, to inform clients, or to recruit new clients. This session will also cover staff using social media for personal use while at the office and with company equipment, including the privacy and confidentiality issues that arise from doing so.

12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m., King Charles (Fifth Level)
Lunch

1:00 p.m.–2:00 p.m., South Terrace (Fifth Level)
The Firm’s Digital Assets: How to Protect Them, How to Value Them, What to Do with Them
Speaker: Jason L. Turner

There are many benefits to law firms shifting to a paperless office in the age of the “cloud,” but there are many security concerns as well. This session will cover what a “digital asset” is, issues with respect to client confidentiality, ways that law firms can implement safeguards against cyber-attacks and security breaches, and how a firm’s digital assets differ from those of a client.

2:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m., South Terrace (Fifth Level)
Developing Written Policies for All Sorts of Things in the Law Office
Speaker: Shirley B. Whitenack

This session will cover the variety of policies a firm needs, not only ones for vacation, personal time, mileage reimbursement, dress code, client interaction and property management, but also the need for policies that address internet and social media use in the office, use of work cell phones, accessing work files off site, using company equipment outside of the office, and more.

3:00 p.m.–3:20 p.m., King Charles (Fifth Level)
Casey’s Cookies Break

3:20 p.m.–4:30 p.m., South Terrace (Fifth Level)
Use of Assistive Technology for People with Disabilities
Speaker: Nancy Mashberg

This session will provide an overview of the Florida Alliance for Assistive Services and Technology and discuss different types of assistive technology to consider in long-term planning for clients.

5:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m., King Charles (Fifth Level)
Reception

5:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m., Executive Board Room 2A (First Level)
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Pre–Conference: Hot Topics About Pooled Trusts

9:30 a.m.–9:40 a.m., North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Welcome and Announcements
Speaker: Rebecca C. Morgan

9:40 a.m.–10:30 a.m., North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Breaking News: Recent Developments For, About or Affecting Pooled Trusts
Speaker: Neal A. Winston

This session will look at recent cases, agency actions, statutes and more that impact use of pooled trusts.

10:30 a.m.–11:15 a.m., North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Decision-Making for a Pooled SNT (Part One): Creating a Decision Tree for SNT Distributions
Speakers: Barbara Helm and Kerry Tedford-Coles

A trustee makes decisions day-in, day-out about distributions—what to approve and what to deny. This session will discuss creating a decision tree for making decisions about distributions.
11:15 a.m.–12:00 p.m., North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Decision-Making for a Pooled SNT (Part Two):
Using a Decision Tree for SNT Distributions:
Dealing with Clients & Attorneys
Speakers: Stephen W. Dale and Heidi J. Flatt
This session will look at using a decision-tree for making decisions, and how to deal with challenging clients and persistent attorneys.

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Lunch

1:00 p.m.–2:00 p.m., North Terrace (Fifth Level)
HUD Programs, Admission and Policies
Speaker: Chung-yiu "Andrew" Lee
This session will provide an overview of the HUD-assisted housing programs, their funding, admission criteria and HUD policies that most typically apply to beneficiaries.

2:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m., North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Creating an Investment Policy: Challenges and Considerations for Trustees of Pooled Special Needs Trusts
Speakers: Heidi J. Flatt and Edward V. Wilcenski
This session will address the development of investment plans that are tailored to the objectives and characteristics of various types of pooled special needs trusts.

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3:15 p.m.–4:15 p.m., North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Pooled Trusts Meet Subsidized Housing: Understanding How SNTs are Treated in the World of HUD Housing
Speaker: Stuart D. Zimring
This session will review some of the current issues that trustees face when dealing with HUD housing for beneficiaries and offer suggestions for advocacy when facing adverse decisions.

4:15 p.m.–5:00 p.m., North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Developing Best Practices for Pooled Trustees
Speakers: Stephen W. Dale, Heidi J. Flatt, Barbara Helm, Kerry Tedford-Coles and Stuart D. Zimring
This panel of the day's speakers will offer their suggestions for developing best practices for pooled trustees.

5:00 p.m.–5:30 p.m., North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Roundtable Discussions
Join some of the day's speakers as they facilitate roundtable discussions of some of the hot topics facing Pooled Trusts.

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interests in the trust property. Therefore, by splitting the legal and equitable ownership of property, the trustee has management or administrative authority over trust assets, but the beneficiaries bear the consequences of the trust’s administrative decisions. To safeguard the beneficiaries against mismanagement or misappropriation by the trustee, the trustee is held to a fiduciary standard of conduct—or, more simply, fiduciary duties. This session will review the foundational duties of a trustee—the duty of loyalty, the duty of prudence, the duty to be impartial, and the duty to inform and account. The session will also discuss the major trustee pitfalls that may result in a breach of one or more of these duties, review some basic measures that a trustee should take in order to avoid these mistakes, and quickly review some alternatives to trusts for elder law planning purposes (such as durable power of attorneys, etc.).

12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m., Pavilion West (Poolside)
Networking Lunch

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Breakout Sessions

How SSI Relates to SNTs, South Terrace (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Mary E. O’Byrne
An improperly drafted special needs trust, whether first- or third-party, can have a devastating effect on eligibility for SSI, Medicaid or other public benefits. This session will provide an overview of the eligibility requirements for SSI, and discuss how to draft a special needs trust to comply with federal regulations, including the sole benefit rules.

Goal-Based Investing and Management of the SNT: Different Investment Models and the Prudent Investor Rule, North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Robert B. Fleming
Consider your SNT beneficiary’s needs and resources in making investment decisions. Analyze the likelihood that the SNT assets will outlive the beneficiary, and take Social Security and other resources into consideration when determining risk capacity. But remember: your investment decisions will ultimately be judged by the yardstick of the Prudent Investor Rule.

The Sole Benefit Trust: The “Forgotten” Trust, Del Prado (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Howard S. Krooks
This session will review the requirements that must be satisfied to create a valid “sole benefit trust,” a type of third-party supplemental needs trust that protects the assets contained in the trust from being countable resources for government benefits purposes for the beneficiary who is disabled. The session will review how the sole benefit trust achieves the further objective of avoiding the imposition of a penalty period for the grantor, who also may need to apply for government benefits in the near future.

2:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m., King Charles (Fifth Level)
Break
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2:50 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.
Breakout Sessions

Focus on SNTs: Checklists to Keep You on Track, South Terrace (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Mary Alice Jackson
From drafting to termination of a special needs trust, there are dozens of basic details to track. Checklists provide organization and oversight, which can keep the practitioner from letting the train run off the track. This session will discuss what items to include in your checklist from intake to retaining other professionals, tax issues, POMS changes and termination issues.

The SNT as the Beneficiary of Retirement Plans: Issues and Solutions, North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Dennis M. Sandoval
Special planning is needed to avoid having accelerated distributions from a retirement plan paid to a third-party special needs trust. This session will review the IRS Regulations and give examples of how to draft a special needs trust to achieve maximum stretch-out payments in this situation.

How to Pick the Trustee, Del Prado (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Edward V. Wilcenski
Should the trustee be a professional or a family member? Which family member? Which professional trustee? Picking the trustee plays an important role in the success of the SNT and achieving the best interest of the beneficiary. This session will cover the critical considerations in picking the trustee.

3:55 p.m. – 4:55 p.m.
Breakout Sessions

Marketing the Special Needs Practice: 5 tips in 60 minutes, South Terrace (Fifth Level)
Speakers: Stephen W. Dale, Mary Alice Jackson, Howard S. Krooks, Vincent J. Russo and Jeffrey M. Yussman
The speakers for this session will each discuss their favorite tip for marketing a Special Needs Practice. Learn five marketing tips from these nationally recognized SNT attorneys.

What Trustees Need to Know about Insurance and What Is Insurable, North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Thomas F. Brink
This session will discuss what is an insurable interest, what a trustee can insure, what a trustee should insure, and how a trustee can weigh risk.

The ABCs of the IRC for SNTs: Foundational Tax Issues for SNTs, Del Prado (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Bradley J. Frigon
This session will cover the basic income tax rules that apply to first-party and third-party SNTs in a clear, understandable and practical way.

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2012
2012 Special Needs Trusts
7:00 a.m.–7:45 a.m., Lobby (Fifth Level)
Tai Chi
7:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m., Buena Vista (Fifth Level)
Registration Desk Open
7:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m., King Charles (Fifth Level)
Exhibit Hall Open
7:30 a.m. – 8:15 a.m., King Charles (Fifth Level)
Continental Breakfast
8:15 a.m.– 8:25 a.m., Grand Ballroom (First Level)
Welcome and Announcements
Speaker: Rebecca C. Morgan
8:25 a.m.– 9:25 a.m., Grand Ballroom (First Level)
Update from Social Security
Speaker: Eric R. Skidmore (by video conference)
This session will provide an update from the SSA by Eric Skidmore, team supervisor of Deeming, Income, Resources and State Supplementation Team with the Office of SSI and Representative Payee Policy.
9:30 a.m.–10:20 a.m., Grand Ballroom (First Level)
The Affordable Care Act, the Supreme Court, and Where Do We Go From Here?
Speaker: Ronald S. Honberg
There are many provisions of the Affordable Care Act that may impact a SNT beneficiary, including Medicaid expansion, elimination of the pre-existing exclusion, the ability of a parent to keep a child on the parent's health insurance until a child turns 26, and the implementation of state health insurance exchanges. The Supreme Court’s decision about the ACA will impact the availability of health care for beneficiaries. This session will look at the impact of the Supreme Court’s decision on people living with disabilities and discuss where we go from here.
10:20 a.m.–10:45 a.m., King Charles (Fifth Level)
Break
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10:45 a.m.–11:35 a.m.
Breakout Sessions
Qualified Settlement Funds: Uncovering Some Hidden Dangers, South Terrace (Fifth Level)
Speakers: Pi Yi Mayo and Bryn Poland
Tips and tricks on drafting and administering a QSF. Learn the provisions every QSF should include and discover why including them will make a difference for your practice.

It's All About the Details: Jurisdiction, Venue, Governing Law: Where Do You Challenge a Trust or Trustee?
North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Speaker: David M. English
Sometimes it is necessary to challenge either the trust or the trustee. When that occurs, it is important to recognize the fundamental issues for litigation—jurisdiction, venue and the governing laws. This session will look at the situs of a trust, what court has jurisdiction, and how to decide where to file a challenge.

Making SNTs Operate Successfully for the Benefit of the Beneficiary, Del Prado (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Michael Gilfix
Drafting a Special Needs Trust is a great beginning, but only a beginning. This session will discuss drafting ideas and practical “real life” approaches to enhance the effectiveness and operation of a funded SNT.

Planning and Implementing Seamless Transitions for Caregivers and Trustees, South Terrace (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Dennis M. Sandoval
It is not unusual for a beneficiary to outlive a caregiver or a trustee. It is important to plan ahead to transition when that happens and how to make such transition seamless, minimizing the emotional and financial impact on the beneficiary.

Medicare Set Aside (MSA) Update and Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Case Law Update, North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Bradley J. Frigon
MSAs are always a hot topic for attorneys and trustees. This session will discuss their history and latest announcements from CMS.

Defending the SNT: Issues in Litigation, Del Prado (Fifth Level)
Speaker: William J. Browning
New challenges to SNTs — recent cases may be an incentive for CMS and state Medicaid agencies to increase challenges on SNTs. This session will look at issues that arise when an SNT is challenged, including initial challenges after an application is filed as well as recovery efforts after the beneficiary dies.

12:30 p.m.–1:30 p.m.
Networking Lunch

1:30 p.m.– 2:20 p.m.
Breakout Sessions
When the SSA Counts a SNT as a Resource for SSI and What to Do, South Terrace (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Neal A. Winston
This session will examine the more common reasons and trends why SSI turns down a (d)(4)(A) or third party SNT and how to find the reason, fix the trust, and appeal the decision.
Transparency vs. Beneficiary Privacy in SNT Administration, North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Renee C. Lovelace
What should a trustee do when a primary beneficiary asks for information about expenditures, investments, or other trust administration? What if the inquiry is from a remainder beneficiary, family member, advocate, professional provider, or vendor? How are the trustee's duties of disclosure and protecting beneficiaries viewed in fiduciary litigation when the trustee seeks to protect another beneficiary's sensitive personal information? This session will examine these questions as well as others, the applicable laws, the impact of the UTC, and special considerations for electronic data in discussing how transparent a trustee should be when administering a SNT; looking backwards, this session will address whether we can draft trust terms that help to reduce expensive conflicts between a trustee's disclosure duties and a grantor's desire to protect beneficiaries.

HUD policy and SNTs: Bringing Finley v. City of Santa Monica to Your State, Del Prado (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Stuart D. Zimring
This session will examine the recent decision in Finley v. City of Santa Monica and how it may apply in other states.

2:20 p.m.– 2:45 p.m., King Charles (Fifth Level)
Break
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2:45 p.m.– 3:35 p.m.
Breakout Sessions
Fees: How Courts Interpret the Standard of Reasonableness, South Terrace (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Shirley B. Whitenack
This session will look at how various courts have determined whether a trustee or attorney fee is reasonable, and discuss the standards used by the courts in determining reasonableness.

Traps and Tips: Advanced Tax Issues in SNT Administration, North Terrace (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Vincent J. Russo
This session will review the tax traps that every trustee should be aware of and the tips to maneuvering through the tax maze. The session will also cover income taxation of SNTs and the impact on gift and estate taxes. Nuances of tainting the trust for grantor trust purposes and the tax impact on parents acting as a trustee will also be discussed.

Getting Involved Early: Developing Good Working Relationships with Litigators and Family Lawyers and the Options They Produce, Del Prado (Fifth Level)
Speaker: Janet L. Lowder
SNT attorneys need to have an effective working relationship with both litigators and family law attorneys. SNT attorneys are uniquely positioned to help these other attorneys formulate the best options for their clients. This session will discuss the advantages for SNT attorneys to be involved earlier in the case and make suggestions on how to do so.

3:35 p.m.–4:00 p.m., King Charles (Fifth Level)
Break
4:00 p.m.– 5:00 p.m., Grand Ballroom (First Level)
The Update: Cases and Breaking News About SNTs
Speaker: Robert B. Fleming
Finish up your review of SNTs and planning considerations with consideration of recent developments in the law. Find out what recent court cases have analyzed or advanced SNT preparation and administration, and learn about new developments and trends.

5:00 p.m.
Adjourn

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Mobility Support Systems, LLC works nationally to provide a unique service to address the specific needs and concerns involved in accessible vehicle disbursements from Special Needs Trust. The MSS® program provides a variety of services in addition to vehicle lease options as well as liability protection for the trust, trust beneficiary and trustee. The MSS® All Inclusive Program provides: safety review of appropriate vehicle options, WC-19 wheelchair compliance and wheelchair security restraint system review, 5-year extended warranty, full maintenance program, coordination of the MSS® million dollar liability insurance program, coordination and payment of all license and registration via local Department of Motor Vehicles, 24/7 emergency road-side assistance throughout the United States, liability protection for the Trust, Trust Beneficiary and Trustee. This protection is provided by MSS® holding title to the vehicle with the trust beneficiary and/or appropriate individual and via our unique insurance program. The program also eliminates vehicle disposal issues. In the event the trust beneficiary predeceases, we will take the vehicle back with no further obligation by the Trustee of family. We also provide direct vehicle purchase options. All vehicles are personally delivered to the trust beneficiary’s home anywhere in the United States (additional fees apply for Alaska and Hawaii).

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The Special Needs Alliance is a national, not for profit organization of attorneys dedicated to the practice of disability and public benefits law. Individuals with disabilities, their families and their advisors rely on the SNA to connect them with nearby attorneys who focus their practice in the disability law arena. The SNA is an invitation-only organization. SNA membership is based on a combination of relevant legal experience in the disability and elder law fields, direct family experience with disability, active participation with national, state and local disability advocacy organizations, and professional reputation. As a result, an SNA member will have an average of 18 years of relevant legal experience with no member having practiced law for less than 10 years. The majority have been certified as Elder Law Attorneys (CELA) by the National Elder Law Foundation, the certifying entity for the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA).

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With locations in Ft. Lauderdale and Atlanta that service the majority of the United States, SunTrust Bank's Recovery Management Division is dedicated solely to the administration of a variety of trust types for the benefit of people with disabilities, including Special Needs Trusts. All of the Trust Advisors within the division are intimately familiar with the complexities associated with the administration of Special Needs Trusts as many of the Trust Advisors are attorneys who have practiced in this area of law. The team understands that it is critically important to the success of developing a strong, positive relationship with the beneficiaries and their families.

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- **Thursday, Oct. 18** …………………………………… 7:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
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- Continental Breakfast…………………………………… 7:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m.
- Exhibit Hall Open ……………………………………… 7:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
- Break …………………………………………………………… 10:40 a.m.–11:00 a.m.
- Lunch …………………………………………………………… 12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m.
- Break …………………………………………………………… 3:00 p.m.–3:20 p.m.
- Reception …………………………………………………… 5:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

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- Continental Breakfast…………………………………… 7:30 a.m.–8:30 a.m.
- Exhibit Hall Open ……………………………………… 7:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
- Break …………………………………………………………… 10:05 a.m.–10:30 a.m.
- Networking Lunch ……………………………………… 12:15 p.m.–1:30 p.m.
- Break …………………………………………………………… 2:30 p.m.–2:50 p.m.
- Reception …………………………………………………… 5:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

**Friday, October 19**
- Continental Breakfast…………………………………… 7:30 a.m.–8:15 a.m.
- Exhibit Hall Open ……………………………………… 7:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
- Break …………………………………………………………… 10:20 a.m.–10:45 a.m.
- Networking Lunch ……………………………………… 12:30 p.m.–1:30 p.m.
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