End of Life Issues and Decision Making

This seminar will explore legal developments, use of common template forms and competing interests related to end-of-life decisions. After lunch the discussion will focus on the practical challenge of balancing legal, medical, spiritual and ethical factors when planning for one’s future or making decisions for others. Comments and questions from the audience will be most welcome.

October 26, 2005 at the Red Lion Hotel on 5th Avenue, Seattle
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8:30am – 9:00am  Registration and Coffee Service

9:00am – 9:30am  Evolution of Right to Die Laws, Regulations and Caselaw
Steve Milam, Attorney at Law

9:30am – 10:00am  Substituted Judgment vs. Best Interest Standards
Dr. Helene Starks, UW Department of Medical History & Ethics

10:00am – 10:15am  Break

10:15am – 11:00am  Evaluating validity of do-it-yourself forms, health care provider forms, physicians directives— Do they adequately cover advancing medical technology and current legal developments?
Suzanne Howle, Thompson & Howle

11:00am – 11:30am  Competing Interests and Conflicting Opinions; Who Decides when family members disagree? What about non-married or same sex couples? Do partners have a voice?  
Kathleen Wareham, Washington Arbitration and Mediation Services (WAMS)

11:30am – 12:00pm  Questions from the audience

12:00pm - 1:00pm  Lunch on your own

1:00pm – 2:30pm  A Practical Look at Balancing Legal, Medical and Spiritual Factors:
Judge Yu, King County Superior Court; Professor Lisa Brodoff, Seattle University School of Law Elder Law Clinic; Steve Milam, Attorney at Law; James Degel, Law Offices of James A. Degel; Dr. George Grant, Harborview Hospital Spiritual Services; Cindy Kirtland, Virginia Mason Chaplain Services; Dr. Helene Starks PhD, UW Department of Medical History & Ethics; Dr. Robert Pearlman MD, VA Ethics Committee Chair.

2:30pm – 3:15pm  Questions from the audience

3:15pm – 3:30pm  Resources and Closing Remarks
Barbara West, Attorney at Law; John Jardine, Certified Washington State Professional Guardian

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