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a Bachelor's degree (with honors) from Wichita State University. During law school, Kristen served as the president of the UMKC Estates & Trusts Society and was inducted into Phi Delta Phi, a legal honor society. Kristen is a member of the Young Professionals of Reno County, serves on the Advisory Council, is a past chair of the Connections Team and is a volunteer on the Voice Committee. She also serves on the Reno County 4-H Program Development Committee and Secretary of the Reno County Extension Board. She is an adjunct instructor at Hutchinson Community College for the Paralegal Studies Program. Kristen is a member of the Reno County Bar Association, NAELA, and serves on the Kansas NAELA Education Committee.

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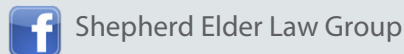
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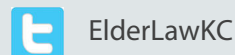
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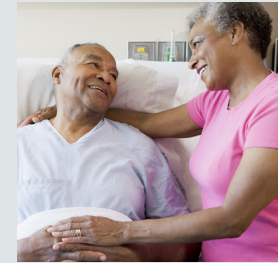
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Areas of practice

Medicaid Planning

We can help you qualify and apply for benefit.

Long-Term Care

We can assist in locating the appropriate type of care and coordinating private and public resources to finance the cost of care.

Guardianship

We can navigate the courts so that you may obtain authority to act in the event a family member is unable to make informed decisions due to a mental incapacity.

Estate Planning

We can design a customized estate plan that works for you. This may include a last will and testament, tax minimization strategies, living will, health care proxy, a durable power of attorney and various trust formulations.

Probate

We can help families untangle the legal process involved at the end of life.

Special Needs Trusts

We can help you establish and fund the correct type of trust to protect public benefits and provide for your loved one.

Veterans Benefit

We can assist you to determine if you are eligible to receive veterans benefits.

The Shepherd Elder Law Group was founded to provide compassionate legal counsel to the elderly, individuals with disabilities, and their families.



Samantha L. Shepherd JD, LLM, CELA* is the firm's founder and Managing Attorney and practices exclusively in the areas of Elder Law, Estate Planning and Special Needs Law.

Samantha received her undergraduate degree from Tulane University in New Orleans, cum laude. She earned her law degree from Boston College Law School and received an LL.M. in Estate Planning from the University of Missouri, Kansas City.

Samantha is a member of the Kansas And Missouri chapters of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA) as well as the Council of Advanced Practitioners. Formerly the Chair of the Missouri Bar Elder Law Committee and KC Metropolitan Bar Association Trust and Estates Committee, and past President of the Missouri Chapter of NAELA, she is an accredited attorney with the Veterans Administration and is Certified as an Elder Law Attorney by the National Elder Law Foundation in both Kansas and Missouri. Additionally, Samantha is a member of the Estate Planning Society of Kansas City.

*Certified as an Elder Law Attorney by the National Elder Law Foundation, as accredited by the American Bar Association

We are experienced professionals and our service approach reflects a continuing philosophy of care for you and your family.



Dennis Fowler JD Dennis earned his bachelors degree from William Jewell College in 1976 and his JD from the University of Missouri, Kansas City School of Law in 1979. Prior to joining our firm in 2015, Dennis practiced with Stilley & Fowler, P.C. in Raytown. Dennis practices in the areas of Estate Planning, Probate and Trust and Estate Administration.



Niki Piskuric JD joined our firm in November 2020 as a Senior Attorney. A native of Lee's Summit, Niki graduated Lee's Summit High School with an International Baccalaureate degree. Niki went on to graduate from the University of Missouri at

Columbia in May 2001 with Bachelor of Arts degrees in both Economics and Political Science. Niki stayed at Mizzou and completed her Juris Doctorate in 2004. In 2010, Niki co-authored "Chapter 18: Construction and Interpretation of Wills and Trusts" in the 5th edition of Missouri Estate Administration published by the Missouri Bar Association. Niki is a member of the Kansas And Missouri chapters of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA). She is also a council member of the Kansas Women's Attorneys Association (KWAA) where she has previously served as Treasurer and Secretary. She is licensed to practice in Kansas and Missouri. Niki currently lives in Overland Park, KS with her husband and son.