

**E**very day, growing older means more complications. Suddenly, you must deal with new rules, new bureaucracies, and new problems. You are faced with making difficult decisions about your future financial and health care needs.

The Law Office of Patricia A. Nelson-Reade is a law firm that is prepared to help you. Its special concerns are the legal issues and life decisions that older individuals must necessarily face.

**High quality legal services**



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**Personal attention to each client**

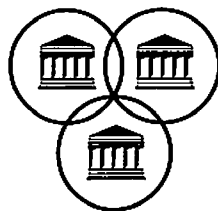


**High ethical standards**

*Legal services  
in a caring  
and  
respectful manner.*

## **LEGAL, FINANCIAL, PERSONAL AND ESTATE PLANNING**

- ◆ **Estate planning for all ages**
- ◆ **Maintain control in an uncertain future**
- ◆ **Provide for yourself, your spouse, and your children, especially if minor or disabled**
- ◆ **Minimize estate and inheritance taxes for your heirs**
- ◆ **Estate administration**
- ◆ **Conservatorships of property and guardianships of person**
- ◆ **MaineCare (formerly Medicaid) and long-term care planning**
- ◆ **Advice regarding long-term care insurance**
- ◆ **Public benefit planning for personal injury settlements and inheritances**



*Certified as an Elder Law Attorney by the*  
**National Elder Law Foundation**

## **HEALTH AND LONG-TERM CARE PLANS**

- ✓ **LIVING WILLS AND MEDICAL POWERS OF ATTORNEY** - Assure your wishes for medical care will be met in the future.
- ✓ **STAYING HOME BY PLANNING AND ACCESSING BENEFITS.**
- ✓ **MAINECARE (Medicaid)** - Qualify yourself, spouse, parent or friend for long-term care benefits.
- ✓ **MEDICARE** - Get the benefits to which you are entitled.
- ✓ **HEALTH INSURANCE** - Receive the coverage you paid for.
- ✓ **DISABILITY BENEFITS** - Obtain secure income for the most difficult times.
- ✓ **NURSING HOMES** - Understand admission agreements and financial, medical and legal rights of residents and their families.
- ✓ **GUARDIANSHIPS/CONSERVATORSHIPS** - Know how to avoid them and what to do when they cannot be avoided.
- ✓ **SETTLEMENT PLANNING** - Maintain public benefits while enhancing your life with settlement proceeds or an inheritance.

## Attorney Profile

**PATRICIA A. NELSON-READE, R.N. CELA** has been practicing law in Maine since 1989. Patricia graduated *summa cum laude* with a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing from the University of North Florida. She practiced nursing for seven years before attending law school. Patricia graduated first in her class from the University of Maine School of Law in 1988, where she was editor-in-chief of the *Maine Law Review*. After graduation from law school, Patricia was selected for a clerkship to the Maine Supreme Judicial Court. She is a member of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys, the Maine Estate Planning Council, and the Special Needs Alliance. Patricia is one of the first attorneys in Maine to become a certified elder law attorney (CELA).

**KATE GEOFFROY** has been practicing law in Maine since 1989. Kate was with Pierce Atwood, the largest law firm in Maine. Kate holds a B.S. degree in Biology from Yale University (1980) and a J.D. *cum laude* (1988) from Boston College Law School, where she was an editor of the *Boston College Law Review*. After graduating from law school, Kate received the high honor of being selected for clerkship with Chief Justice Vincent McKusick of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court. She is a member of the Maine Bar Association, Elder Law Section and the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys.

**JENNIFER L. FRANK** has been practicing law since 1993. Prior to joining our firm in 2008, Jennifer was the managing attorney of a mass tort litigation firm where she practiced for 15 years, primarily representing individuals harmed by unsafe prescription drugs. Ms. Frank received her Bachelor of Science from Boston University and her Juris Doctor from Golden Gate University School of Law, where she specialized and received a certificate in public interest law. She was a member of and published in the *Golden Gate University Law Review*. She is a member of the Maine Bar Association, the Maine Trial Lawyers Association, the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys, and the Maine Bar Association Elder Law Section.

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of older Americans and  
their families.*