



Death Bed Wills: Estate Planning for Clients with Diminished Capacity

Speakers: John Poyser and Russell Hart

When a lawyer is called to the hospital to draft a will for a terminally ill client, the situation is demanding and rife with risk. The same is true in other situations where the client suffers from diminished capacity. John Poyser will discuss how it is possible to practice both profitably and safely in this dangerous area. Russell Hart will focus on testamentary capacity, in particular, the different tests and issues associated with assessing testamentary capacity. This seminar will canvass case law, discuss the lawyer's role and suggest best practices.

Speakers

John Poyser was called to the Bar in Manitoba in 1987, and has practiced as a partner with the Winnipeg law firm, Inkster Christie Hughs LLP, since 1999 as a member of the firm's boutique practice group "The Wealth and Estate Law Group". Mr. Poyser's practice is limited to estate and trust planning. As of 2009, Mr. Poyser was called to the Bar in Alberta and is a partner with the Calgary law firm, The Wealth and Estate Law Group (Alberta), a boutique law firm providing services limited to the planning, administration, and taxation of trusts and estates along with associated litigation.

Mr. Poyser is heavily involved in the leadership and education of lawyers working with wills and estates. He has lectured extensively on estate planning and succession tax planning, and has published nationally, including journal articles and practice notes for lawyers, magazine articles for advisors, and newspaper articles for the public. He is also the co-author of a textbook for Thomson-Carswell entitled "*Taxation of Trusts and Estates, A Practitioner's Guide*", now in its fifth edition, helping accountants and lawyers deal with income tax and planning issues arising out of trusts and estates.

Russell Hart began his legal career with the provincial government, and then in 1982 he joined the Regina law firm, Gerrand Rath Johnson. He has been a partner with the firm since 1984. Mr. Hart's practice focuses on Business, Corporate Commercial, Wills and Estates, Real Estate and Land Development and Media Law.

Mr. Hart is member of the Canadian Bar Association and is active in its Business and Wills and Real Property Sections. He recently lectured on the topic of wills at the CBA Mid-Winter Meeting. He has served as CBA representative to the Queen Bench Bar Judicial Council and to the Court of Appeal Bar Judicial Council. Mr. Hart has served as a member of a Professional Standards Committee for the Law Society of Saskatchewan.

Saskatoon

Tuesday - May 18, 2010
1:00 pm to 4:30 pm
(Registration 12:30 pm)
Saskatoon Inn

Regina

Wednesday - May 19, 2010
9:00 am to 12:30 pm
(Registration 8:30 am)
Delta Regina

PROGRAM

Saskatoon:

- 12:30 Registration
- 1:00 Welcome and Introductions
- 1:05 John Poyser
- 3:00 Nutrition Break
- 3:15 Russell Hart
- 4:00 Question and Answer Period
- 4:30 Adjournment

Regina:

- 8:30 Registration
- 9:00 Welcome and Introductions
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- 11:00 Nutrition Break
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Registration Form

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