# **Elder Abuse**

Below you will find links to resources that provide information on elder abuse. You can also find information on how to seek aid from a lawyer, if needed. Some areas of the state have more information than others. You may wish to look at information from other areas as well as your own.

# **Statewide Resources**

## Report Elder Abuse:

Learn how to report elder abuse and neglect from the Tennessee Commission on Aging & Disability.

## TN Vulnerable Adult Coalition:

TVAC is a proactive group in Tennessee that raises awareness about the various forms of abuse committed against vulnerable and older adults. Visit their website to find out more information and view additional resources.

Know the Signs of Abuse, Neglect, or Exploitation:

Elder abuse is a growing problems. Learn the signs of abuse by viewing these resources from the Tennessee Commission on Aging & Disability.

## Senior Services Resources

This resource from West Tennessee Legal Services provides information about programs that provide senior services and assistance in Tennessee.

# Forms:

## Standard Court Forms for all of Tennessee

This resource contains standard court forms for all of Tennessee that approved for all counties. If you need help filing one of these forms, you can ask a lawyer in your area.

# Legal Advice:

#### **TN Free Legal Answers**

If you are in Tennessee, the website, Free Legal Answers, allows you to ask a lawyer for help with a legal issue at no cost. It is fast and easy, and all you need is a computer. This is a FREE service for people who cannot afford a lawyer. How it works:

- You will answer a few questions to see if you qualify for their service. If you qualify, you will have the option to create an account.
- If you are eligible, you can ask their volunteer attorneys a non-criminal legal question.
- Once your question receives a response, you will get an email. You will need to sign into the website to read your response and ask any additional questions.

Visit <a href="https://tn.freelegalanswers.org/">https://tn.freelegalanswers.org/</a> to sign up.

# **Find Representation:**

#### Statewide Directory

The Statewide Directory provides information regarding Legal Aid Attorneys and other agencies by county in Tennessee.

Still need assistance? Please speak to a librarian at your local library. They may have additional resources to assist you.

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