

ELDER LAW REVIEW

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Partnership with The Legal Professionals™, PA

Lisa Pluto and Steve Franta are very excited to announce that they have partnered. They along with the staff at Pluto Legal, PLLC and The Legal Professionals™, PA feel this partnership will be a great benefit to both of our firms as well as our clients.

The Legal Professionals™, PA have offices in New Ulm, Hutchinson, Sleepy Eye, and Winthrop. Their areas of practice include Estate Planning, Business and Agriculture, and

Real Estate. Please check out The Legal Professionals™, PA website at www.thelegalprofessionals.com.

Pluto Legal, PLLC will continue to operate our practice from our office in Tyler, MN and will continue to travel to you for appointments. All of our contact information will also remain the same.

A Retirement Party!

Beth Daniels' first job was at a Dari-lite in Fox Lake, IL. After graduating from Moorhead State with a Bachelor of Arts in Social Work, she met and married her husband Tom and eventually applied for a job in the dietary department at Divine Providence in Ivanhoe, MN. This began her 31-year working relationship with them, starting as a social services consultant one day a week to becoming their full-time social worker and activities director which lead to being the director of social services. Beth was responsible for setting up the social services program at the Hendricks, MN hospital while consulting with them for fifteen plus years. She was also a social services consultant for the nursing home in Tyler, MN for six years.

Beth's additional accomplishments also include being president of the MN Nursing Home Social Workers Association (MNHSWA), a member of the MNHSWA's board of directors, as well as president of the local southwest MN chapter of MNHSWA. Beth was also the recipient of the Annual Service Award in 1995 from MNHSWA; an award given to a person who shows enthusiasm and dedication of the social work profession, long term care, and the association. After completing her career at Divine Providence, Beth joined the Pluto Legal team and has been a member for over six years in client services. Outside of her amazing career journey, Beth continues to be very active in Bethany Lutheran Church, Arco, MN and enjoys bowling, reading, and spending time with her family and grandkids.



Forget the black tie it's no formal affair, just come as you are for this casual flair. We'll celebrate and laugh as we all reminisce; it's a gathering for a friend who will surely be missed.

Wednesday, June 8 ❁ 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. ❁ Pluto Legal, 100 E Hwy 14, Tyler

Congratulations Beth!!!

Are You Ready to Retire?

Your retirement is a big step and should be a smooth and pleasant transition in your life. A few questions you should ask yourself: Do I know how to apply for Social Security benefits? When



do I apply? How do I know where to go to apply?

These days you don't even have to leave your house or go to a Social Security office to apply for Social

Security Benefits. You can apply by going to www.socialsecurity.gov. In general you should start applying up to four months before you wish to begin receiving benefits from Social Security.

You can complete the application in just 15 minutes and it will be submitted electronically. Usually there is no need to do anything else. In rare cases you may need to provide additional information, if this is the case then a Social Security employee would contact you.

If you are not ready to retire yet, but you plan on it someday, you should visit www.socialsecurity.gov/retire2. This part of the Social Security website will show you an informative retirement planner. You can plan ahead and begin to consider your options. By using this retirement planner you can track your financial goals and know just how close you are to meeting them.

The website even has a Retirement Estimator, to view, go to www.socialsecurity.gov/estimator. No matter what stage you are in your working career, this function of the website will give you an instant, personal estimate of your future retirement benefits. This is an invaluable tool for seeing where you are at with benefits and what you need to do to obtain your retirement goals.

If you have not taken the steps to explore your options concerning your own retirement, it is never too early to start!

Experienced and knowledgeable Estate Planning attorneys can also assist you in planning for your retirement and future. No two situations are the same and only you know what you want for your retirement and future.

We encourage you to consult with an Estate Planning attorney that not only meets your standards, but makes you comfortable. An Estate Planning attorney should be providing options and would design your plan to fit your specific needs and situation.

Pluto Legal, PLLC offers no cost, no obligation initial consultations. This is a great opportunity to become informed of all the options and plans available to you.

We have many educational workshops coming up. Please give us a call at 1-866-457-3131 or check our website: www.plutolegal.com to see when one of our attorneys will be in your area!

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