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Florida Attorney to Discuss LGBT Aging Issues at National NAELA Conference in Atlanta

Stephanie L. Schneider a Florida Board Certified Elder Law Attorney will speak at the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA) annual conference on May 4, 2013 about LGBT aging issues. Ms. Schneider will collaborate with Oregon attorney Cynthia Barrett about ***“Preparing to Serve LGBT Clients When DOMA is Repealed”***. The goal of this presentation is to promote conscious aging on behalf of the LGBT community through education and advocacy in the legal and health care professions.

There are almost 38 million LGBT individuals over age 65; this could double by 2030. In most states, same sex couples do not receive the same legal protections as married couples. However federal recognition of same sex relationships may emerge from the pending US Supreme Court, with a decision expected June 2013. When DOMA dies, there will be a great demand for competent legal advice and planning.

Stephanie Schneider is committed to improving the client’s aging experience. She said, “It is imperative we understand the challenges that LGBT individuals face so that we can engage in successful problem-solving.” This will improve future planning options for LGBT couples, their minor children and their special needs children.

In Florida, Stephanie has co-authored a program with Sunserve.org, which serves the LGBT community, about cultural competency for healthcare providers.

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Stephanie L. Schneider is a Board Certified Elder Law Attorney based in Plantation, FL. Her practice serves clients of all ages in estate & long term care planning, guardianship (adults & minors), special needs trusts, trust & probate administration. Stephanie can be reached at 954-382-1997. She is available to speak about elder law issues at professional, corporate, civic and public programs. Visit her website at www.fl-elderlaw.com.

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