

WILLS PRO BONO

Attorneys are needed to prepare simple wills and draft planning documents (templates are provided). Assistance with other estate planning documents may be required such as power of attorney and health care power with an advance directive.

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PRO BONO EXPECTATIONS:

Before: The Advocacy Center staff determines eligibility. We only refer eligible clients.

During: The attorney should review the client's information by telephone or in person.

Questionnaire provided. Once the attorney drafts the appropriate estate planning documents, they should be reviewed by the client.

After: Execute the will with client.

Time: More than 10 hours

PRO BONO IMPACT:

This is a service that many in Mecklenburg County cannot afford. By taking a case, you ensure that a senior citizen has an established plan for their assets. Estate planning documents can provide stability and peace after one is no longer able to make their own medical and financial decisions or one has passed.

TRAINING + SUPPORT

We offer trainings to attorneys outside of their practice area. We also provide a tool kit with the necessary materials to take the case. The Advocacy Center staff provide ongoing assistance.

WHY WILLS WORK?

“Helping seniors draft their wills and care for future generations is deeply fulfilling. Assisting the elderly in executing their healthcare directives is a great comfort to these clients. The Advocacy Center makes the process smooth from start to finish.”
-Glen Kunkes, Mayer Brown LLP



**Attorney Bernard Botchway
with a client**

YOU WOULD ENJOY WORKING WITH WILLS IF:

- You want to provide stability and security for seniors and their family.
- You want to volunteer but have limited or inconsistent time to do so.
- You want to support the senior community and ensure safety and peace of mind.