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Increase in the Medicaid Penalty Divisor

New Jersey Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services announced an increase in the Medicaid penalty divisor from \$384.57 to \$440.10 per day, amounting to \$13,386.37 per month, effective April 1, 2024.

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Claiming the Guardianship of an Elderly Parent

If your parent did not prepare for incapacity and name a person to act as their power of attorney, you won't be able to create a legal document after they are mentally impaired. You will need to claim guardianship.

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Legal Fees Denied to Court-appointed Attorney and Temporary Guardian

Appellate Division Affirms; Supreme Court of New Jersey Agrees to Hear the Case

The Office of Adult Protective Services ("APS") filed a verified complaint seeking the appointment of a temporary and permanent guardian for Hank (a fictitious name), an alleged incapacitated and vulnerable adult who had no significant assets or income.

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Elder Financial Abuse: How an Elder Law Attorney Can Help

Elder financial abuse is a significant issue affecting many older adults nationwide. It involves someone exploiting or misusing an older person's finances or assets for personal gain. Often, the perpetrator is in a position of trust, be it a family member, abusive partner, or paid caregiver.

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Does Medicare Cover Prescription Weight Loss Drugs?

Americans have a growing appetite for prescription drugs such as Ozempic, Wegovy, and Mounjaro. Originally developed to treat Type 2 diabetes, they are now exploding in popularity as a weight loss treatment.

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What You Should Know About Long-Term Care

Elder law attorneys understand the challenges of planning long-term care amidst the shifting care environment. Evaluating costs and developing strategies to pay for long-term care before you actually need it is crucial.

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