

#### Dear Friend,

With all the challenges we share today, I want you to know that Legal Assistance for Seniors is making a big impact in safeguarding the independence and dignity of older adults in Alameda County.

I invite you to join our family of staff and volunteers to support the work we do to protect seniors in our community. Please donate to LAS now and become our partner in protecting the rights and well-being of our county's older adults.

As the housing situation in our nation becomes more dire, we need your support to ensure that LAS has the resources to provide legal and case management services to prevent homelessness right here in the East Bay.

Your support is the critical link that means that older adults have a bed to sleep in, have health insurance that meets their needs, are free from physical and emotional abuse, have the income to survive, and can love and support the minor children in their care. Alameda County's seniors need your help now, more than ever. Your support means hope for many.

LAS continues to lead the way, but only when we act together to make a difference. This year, I ask you to reach deeper than ever before to support our mission and the assistance we bring to the community.

To learn more about our work, or to donate online, please visit us at <a href="https://www.lashicap.org">www.lashicap.org</a>. Thank you for your generosity that enables us to carry on our work each and every day.

Very truly yours, James Treggiari

**Donate to LAS** 



LAS' services have been a critical part of the system of care for Alameda

County older adults for over 45 years. We provide free legal services, ranging from full representation to counsel and advice, to older adults in Alameda County. LAS primarily serves clients who are elderly, overwhelmingly lowincome, and from communities of color.

In fiscal year 2021-22, LAS provided legal services to 1,240 individuals. Elder abuse and housing were our agency's two practice areas that served the most clients, at 353 and 293, respectively. Our services are both unique and vital to improving and sustaining the stability of the most marginalized communities in Alameda County.

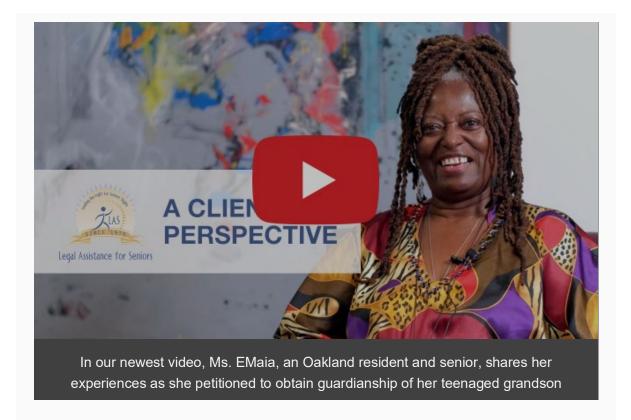
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# LAS' Newest Video

A Client's Perspective of LAS



The LAS Guardianship Program assists Alameda County residents who are caring for someone else's minor children in their homes. Our clients are usually grandparents or other relatives, although non-relatives can also become guardians of children in their care. In order for LAS attorneys to represent guardianship petitioners in probate court, clients must be: age 50 or older (unless referred through Child Protective Services' diversion program); and currently caring for a minor child/children in their home.

#### Watch Our YouTube Channel

for Content on Issues Affecting Seniors from Our Webinar Series

LAS' YouTube Channel is building original content that may be helpful to seniors, their caregivers and family members. If you did not have the opportunity to attend any of the seminars from our 2022 Webinar Series on Elder Abuse, we encourage you to visit our LAS YouTube Channel:

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The content from our 2022 series includes such topics as: integrative mediation; non-economic damages in elder financial abuse litigation; restorative justice; and holding financial institutions accountable for financial elder abuse. Each of these four webinar sessions were attended by about 80 to 140 individuals each. We'd like to take this opportunity to once again thank our primary host, Golden Gate University, and our sponsors, for their role in helping to produce such a widely attended and thought-provoking series.

# An Official Announcement from LAS

#### To the LAS Community,

I am writing you today with a mix of sadness and excitement. As of 11/30/2022, I will be leaving LAS for a position as the Adult Protective Services Administrator for California's Department of Social Services. Over the past 13 years, it has truly been an honor and privilege to work side by side with all of you to envision Alameda County as a better place to age. I am deeply grateful to all of the clients that shared their lives with me and let me assist them in deeply personal matters, to the donors who believe in our work and recommit to the agency time and time again, and to the many co-workers, volunteers and board members I've shared this journey with. LAS was my first job out of law school and I could not have wished for a better fit for my growth as a person and professional.

As I continue my work in supporting older adults across California, I look forward to seeing LAS grow and expand in new and exciting ways. Many of you know Caitlin Chan, LAS' Associate Director for the past three years. She will be taking over as interim Executive Director for the agency. In her decade with the agency, Caitlin has shown incredible skills, passion, and dedication to supporting older adults. I could not think of a person better suited to lead the agency into the future.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Conference and at fundraisers moving forward. LAS is my family and I cannot wait to see the next phase for the agency.

Jim Treggiari





Jim Treggiari (left) and Caitlin Chan (right) are dedicated to the mission of serving seniors in our community. Thanks for all you have done!

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