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NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION SPONSORS FREE PROGRAM ON HEALTH CARE DECISION MAKING [DATE] AT [LOCATION]

The public can learn about the importance of signing advanced directives about future health care and legal matters at a seminar called “Your Decisions Matter” on [date] at [time] at the [location].

The program— which is free—is sponsored by the New York State Bar Association.

Volunteer attorneys will explain legal procedures, including documents that record a person’s wishes for end-of-life care.

Topics covered by “Your Decisions Matter” include: why you need a will; differences between power of attorney, living will and health care proxy documents; do-not-resuscitate orders; organ donations; guardianship issues; and probate.

The program is relevant for individuals of all ages.

[Fill in local information below]

Date: (Day of Week, Month, Day, 2016)

Time: (time a.m./p.m)

Location: (Place, Street Address, City/town)

Speaker or Speakers: (Attorney name(s))

The Elder Law and Special Needs Section of the New York State Bar Association is organizing similar events across the state as part of the 2016 Mitchell Rabbino National Health Care Decision Day programs.

The late Mitchell Rabbino was an elder law attorney from Ulster County, who was an active member of the State Bar Association’s Elder Law Section.

The 74,000-member New York State Bar Association is the largest voluntary state bar association in the nation. It was founded in 1876.