



American Bar Association
Young Lawyers Division presents

Wills for Heroes

This year, the ABA YLD is partnering with the Wills for Heroes Foundation, a not-for-profit organization providing basic estate planning services to emergency first responders free of charge.

How it Works

Generally, emergency first responders complete an estate planning questionnaire prior to arriving at a Wills for Heroes event. Once onsite, participants are assigned to a volunteer attorney licensed in that state who examines the questionnaire and inputs the information into a laptop preloaded with the appropriate software. The result includes a basic will, formally signed and finalized by a notary, before the participant leaves the site. All services are provided free of charge.



October 2007 Wills for Heroes event in Charlotte, NC

Document templates are already available in the following areas: Alabama, Arizona, California, District of Columbia, Georgia, Illinois, Maryland, Minnesota, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, and Virginia.

How You Can Help

- **Devise a template:** We are seeking estates and trusts attorneys in unlisted states to devise the template.
- **Implement the program:** We are seeking bar associations and firms interested in implementing the program.
- **Connect us with First Responders:** Do you know of a first responder group interested in having the program brought to their department? Contact us.

Visit the Wills for Heroes website www.abanet.org/yld/wills for the program's short video introduction, to request an implementation guide, contact information, and for additional resources.

The program is an excellent opportunity for attorneys and legal organizations to give back to the community. The ABA YLD wants to help you implement this program! In conjunction with the Wills for Heroes Foundation, we can help you locate local first responder groups and develop the necessary templates.

Want to see the program in action? Join us at an upcoming ABA YLD Conference for a Wills for Heroes implementation. More information is available at www.abanet.org/yld/wills.