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Health care issues increase as we age. Please join Donald D. Vanarelli, Esq. as he discusses strategies to pay for care.

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Updates To SSA Rules Governing Disbursements From Special Needs Trusts

This blog post discusses recent changes in how the Social Security Administration (SSA) evaluates disbursements from trusts, particularly special needs trusts.

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What Can a Special Needs Trust Pay For?

A special needs trust has been likened to a "parent's pocket" -- that is, it pays for the kinds of things that a parent would just reach into his or her pocket to cover.

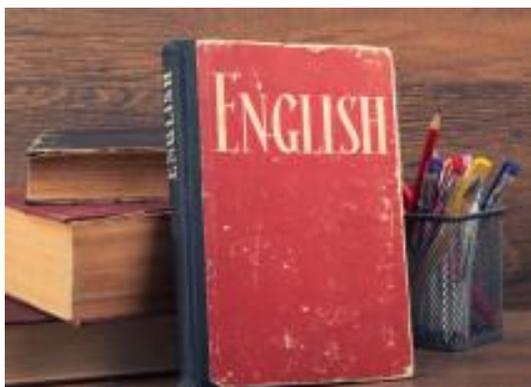
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Kiddie Tax Changes May Increase Burden for Families with SNTs

Major changes to the "kiddie tax" could significantly increase the tax liability of assets placed in special needs trusts if the trust's beneficiary is a minor and the income the trust earns is high enough.

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Some Non-English Speakers Would Lose Disability Benefits Under SSA Proposal

A new Social Security Administration proposal would make it more difficult for people who don't speak English to qualify for disability benefits, potentially reducing



As E-Scooters Spread, California Disability Advocates Sue over Right to the Sidewalk

Three different lawsuits filed in southern California in the past few months allege

the disability rolls by more than 10,000 people

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SSA Proposes to End the Option to Appeal a Benefits Denial in Person

The Social Security Administration is seeking to conduct essentially all appeals for people denied disability benefits via video conference, despite concerns from advocates that many claimants will not be able to participate by video.

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that popular new urban mobility devices are a danger to people with disabilities.

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Children's Deaths at N.J. Nursing Home Underscore Enforcement Shortcomings

A virus outbreak at a New Jersey nursing home that killed 11 children has focused attention on enforcement of basic health and sanitary standards at facilities, particularly those with ventilator-dependent children.

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Survey Ranks Nearly 200 Cities on Friendliness to People with Special Needs

The consumer finance website WalletHub presents its latest annual “Best & Worst Cities for People with Disabilities” report.

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Report Says Many with Disabilities Aren't Protected From New State Medicaid Work Requirements

A new report suggests that many people with disabilities will lose Medicaid coverage if their state imposes work requirements.

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New Law Mandates Creation of a Bill of Rights for Air Travelers with Disabilities

In a groundbreaking development, a new law directs the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to create a bill of rights for passengers with disabilities.

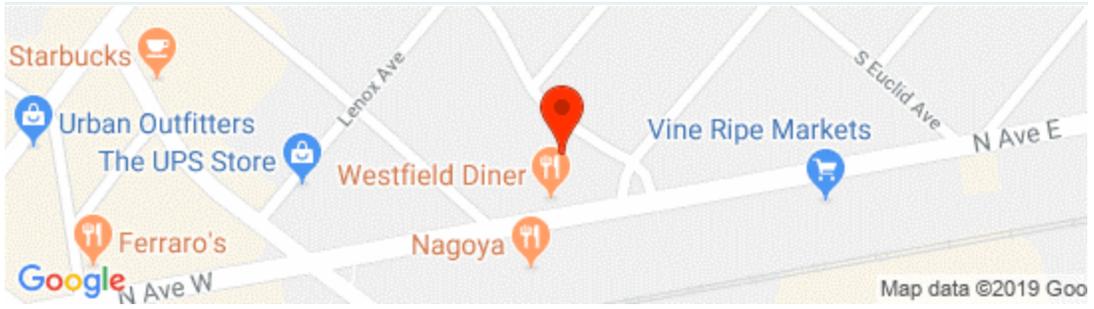
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As the midterm elections approach, disability rights advocates are increasingly concerned about whether all eligible voters with disabilities will, in fact, have the opportunity to exercise their right to vote.

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