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Normal Office Operations Have Resumed!

We are happy to announce that we have resumed pre-COVID office operations and are meeting with clients in person once again. Our office staff has been vaccinated. For those who are still practicing distancing precautions, we are available via Zoom as well.

New Attorney Announcement!

We are pleased to welcome
Attorney Michael Cahill
to our firm!

We will have a formal biography forthcoming
in our July newsletter.



Updates in Estate Planning and Elder Law

Take **PRIDE** in your Estate Plan

The Difference Between
Alzheimer's Disease and



Pride Month is recognized in June. It honors the Stonewall Riots that took place at the Stonewall

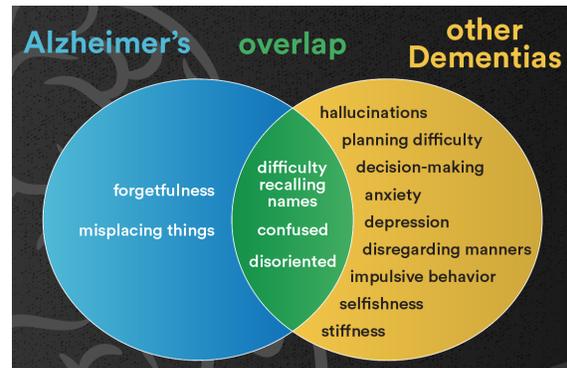
Inn in New York, NY to protest police persecution and harassment that commonly occurred against LGBTQ+ people. This riot ushered in the movement to outlaw discriminatory laws and practices against the LGBTQ+ community.

It is important to have your estate planning documents in place as a same-sex couple to ensure that one partner is protected should the other pass away.

[Read the full article](#)

Dementia

June is Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month. Many people use the terms Alzheimer's disease and dementia interchangeably, but they have very different meanings. Although dementia is a group of symptoms that include memory loss, the term itself doesn't explain what is causing the symptoms. Alzheimer's disease is the leading cause of dementia, but there are many other causes.



[Read the full article](#)

Limited-Time Free Virtual Meet & Greet Sessions Continue in July and August

Reserve Your Free Virtual Meet & Greet Session with Smilie G. Rogers, Esq., or Mary Kathryn Brennan, Esq.



Private Session Availability with Smilie G. Rogers, Esq.

[Request your session with Smilie by completing this form in its' entirety.](#)

Wednesday, July 21, 2021
5:00 pm- 5:30 pm



Allow us to introduce you to ourselves and the basic concepts surrounding estate planning. Learn more about Revocable Trusts (“Living Trusts”), Transfer on Death Deeds (*aka TODD, which you can also read about in Smilie’s Blog*), Advance Healthcare Directives, Powers of Attorney, Wills, and their importance under normal circumstances, but more so now during the pandemic.

**During a Virtual Meet & Greet, our lawyers cannot give specific legal answers or advice, and sessions shall not constitute the formation of an attorney-client relationship. Sessions last for thirty (30) minutes.*

Please visit
<https://brennanrogers.com/zoom-session/>
for more information!

Wednesday, August 4, 2021
5:00 pm- 5:30 pm

Wednesday, August 18, 2021
5:00 pm- 5:30 pm

Private Session Availability with
Mary Kathryn Brennan, Esq.

[Request your session with Mary Kathryn by completing this form in its' entirety.](#)

Wednesday, July 14, 2021
5:00 pm- 5:30 pm

Wednesday, July 28, 2021
5:00 pm- 5:30 pm

Wednesday, August 11, 2021
5:00 pm- 5:30 pm

Wednesday, August 25, 2021
5:00 pm- 5:30 pm

Professional Spotlight



A Place to Start

Hope, Help, and Guidance for
Alzheimer's Families

At A Place to Start, you are treated like family because it all began with family.



When you walk into this room, you get the feeling of walking into a comfortable living room because when it comes to Alzheimer's, comfort and familiarity are what keep a person stable. A Place to Start is the conception of Sally Tartre and her two sisters as a way to honor their mother who Connie who passed away in December of 2011.

Has your loved one been diagnosed with Alzheimer's? If so we can help. We've been there. Located in downtown Kennebunk, A Place to Start is dedicated to the guidance and support of

caregivers for Alzheimer's.

The journey of the caregiver can be arduous and lonely. We will sit with you and listen to your story. Sharing with someone who understands is important. It can offer a glimmer of hope that you will not be alone in your efforts.

Monthly programming includes luncheons, music, guest speakers, etc. All of their services are provided free of charge. Mary Kathryn spoke to their guests on January 6, 2020, about the importance of Estate Planning with an Alzheimer's diagnosis.

Please give us a call.... You don't have to go it alone.

Sally Tartre is the founder of A Place to Start. She can be reached at (207) 502-7238 or info@aplacetostartfordementia.org

Calling Local Professionals and Organizations!



Are you a local professional with your pulse on the lifestyle and needs of seniors in our community? We would welcome the opportunity to feature your written piece in our monthly newsletter!

Please email [Kim](#) for more information!

Maine's Don't Miss Your Shot: Vaccinationland Sweepstakes

In order to be eligible:

1. You must be a Maine resident 12 years or older.
2. You could have received your first dose of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine in another state, but you are required to have received your second dose in Maine by June 30, 2021.
3. You must have received the Johnson and Johnson single-dose vaccine in the state of Maine by June 30, 2021.
4. The prize is \$1 for every Mainer vaccinated by June 30, 2021, and Governor Mills will announce the winner and the prize amount on the afternoon of the Fourth of July.



Enter
Here!

**Governor Mills Announces State of Civil
Emergency To End June 30, 2021**

Governor Mills announced on June 11, 2021: "Today, we take another important step forward in our return to normal," said Governor Janet Mills. "After fifteen long, difficult months, ending the State of Civil Emergency is a welcome milestone that reflects the progress Maine has made in getting people vaccinated, reducing the spread of the virus, and getting back to normal. Maine people have persevered, and, although challenges remain, we will get through them together just as we did this past year. I congratulate and thank Maine people for all they have done to protect themselves, their loved ones, and their fellow citizens."

[Read Governor Mills' Full Proclamation](#)

July Tide Chart



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