

4th Judicial Circuit Elder Abuse Fatality Review Team

Minutes

1/9/23

Attendees: Karen Murillo, Linda Levin, Gregory Patient, Tracie Rayfield, Kristen Gonzales, Diane Clark, Cindy Chambers, Gary Porter, Renae Lewin, Travis Alessi, Eileen Rodden

Excused: Judge Flower, Gloria Crawford, Carl Harms, Jody Brandenburg, Mike Jorgensen, A.J. Mack, Ronald Buchsbaum

Minutes from 12/5/22 will be held for the 2/6/23 meeting when the full membership can vote on approval or edits.

Karen Murillo gave an update about the Elder Law Section of the Florida Bar. She has met with eight state attorney's offices, the First Amendment Foundation, and the Elder Law Section. Both the Elder Law Section and prosecutors are on board with the bill.

She noted the expansion of the bill may take a long time and each circuit may consider naming their team as either elder abuse fatality review or vulnerable adult fatality review team. Exploitation may be added if it contributed to or caused the elder's death. She noted a review of elder deaths or near death should be reviewed.

Linda Levin met with the DOEA and the Florida Area Agencies on Aging. The FL AAA will work behind the scenes for the bill.

Octavius noted he does have a new case to discuss when the subcommittee meets, however, the case needs to be requested through Public Records. It was unclear who should request the case. A meeting with the subcommittee will be set once we know who should request and how long it takes to receive permission to review it.

Diane Clark noted the statewide domestic violence organization is now the Florida Partnership on Domestic Violence.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15.