

INTRODUCTION TO THE 2026 EDITION

This 2026 Edition of *Texas Elder Law*, part of the Texas Practice Series, is an up-to-date, comprehensive resource for Texas elder law practice. It covers common issues facing elderly clients and provides practical guidance, illustrations, and explanations of foundational law. Since last year's edition, new material has been added and/or existing material updated on the following subjects:

- Updated 2026 Medicaid and Social Security income and resource limits
- New content regarding Texas Penal Code provisions enacted in 2025 regarding theft and fraud related to real property
- New materials regarding the repeal of Social Security's Windfall Elimination Provision
- Updated materials regarding changes to Medicare Part D, including Low-Income Subsidies
- New content regarding Medicaid policy reporting changes of circumstances
- New material regarding Texas Penal Code and Texas Human Resources Code provisions related to Medicaid fraud
- New guidance for Community Attendance Services and Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services waiver program applicants
- Updated material regarding "Disabled Adult Child" Medicaid
- Updated content regarding the Medicaid appeals process
- New material regarding beneficiary designations for manufactured homes
- Updated 2026 VA service-connected disability compensation payments and low-income pension payments and net worth limit