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## Dedicated to Minnesota's Seniors and Those Who Love Them

Making ends meet is a daily challenge for many of our oldest citizens. Widespread pension defaults, reductions in retiree health benefits and lower interest rates on popular investments, coupled with increased health care costs, have resulted in extreme hardship for the most vulnerable segment of society, says Luther Amundson, a founding shareholder of Minneapolis law firm Maser & Amundson, P.A.

As a result, many seniors are forced to make the life-threatening decision to purchase a vital prescription, pay the rent or buy food. In addition, Amundson says he has seen too many healthy seniors who have worn themselves out, depleted their savings and destroyed their own health while caring for ill spouses. "Often, the well spouse caregiver ends up in a nursing home without any money," he says. "Fortunately, advance planning by seniors and their adult children can help avoid this outcome."

Seniors have been preyed upon by unscrupulous and greedy individuals who take advantage of those who are alone and susceptible to kind words. From home improvement scams to investment schemes, from stealing money to changing wills and trusts when seniors are either incapacitated or unduly influenced, Mr. Amundson has witnessed a more significant increase in these cases impacting the elderly and their families within the last five years than during any of the 24 years of his litigation experience.

### Highest Quality Legal Services Delivered With Compassion

Established in 1984 with the goals of providing focused attention to the needs of the elderly and protecting the legal rights of its clients, Maser & Amundson is comprised of two teams: elder law and litigation. Areas of law include estate and disability planning, conservatorship, probate law, elder law litigation, significant personal injury, wrongful death and nursing home injury litigation.

The shareholders at Maser & Amundson are recognized writers and speakers in their chosen fields in addition to being active in many

The founding shareholders of the firm are **Luther M. Amundson** and **Kris L. Maser**. **Mary S. Hagen** became a shareholder in 2000. All three shareholders have been named to the *Super Lawyers*® list in *Mpls. St. Paul Magazine* and *Minnesota Law & Politics*.

Luther M. Amundson focuses his litigation practice on elder law litigation (will contests, trust administration and probate litigation), wrongful death, nursing home and personal injury litigation. A longtime member of the Board of Governors of the Minnesota Trial Lawyers Association, he graduated from William Mitchell College of Law. Amundson is chair of the Parkinson Association of Minnesota's Annual Golf Charity event, of which Maser & Amundson has been a main sponsor from its inception.



**Kris L. Maser** (right) chose a career in elder law based largely on her mother's experiences as the primary caregiver for several elderly relatives. Ms. Maser was one of the top 40 estate planning/probate lawyers in Minnesota in 2006 and a 1996 recipient of the Mary Alice Gooderl Award for outstanding service to and active development of the Minnesota State Bar Association's Elder Law Section. A former teacher, she has served as an adjunct professor at William Mitchell College of Law, her alma mater, and other institutions in the Twin Cities area. Ms. Maser serves on the Parkinson Association of Minnesota board and is active in a number of community organizations.

**Mary S. Hagen** (left) practices in the areas of elder law, estate planning, trust administration, conservatorship and probate. Her background as a registered nurse makes her especially well suited to help individuals and families who are experiencing health crises or planning for disability and government benefits programs. A graduate of William Mitchell College of Law, Ms. Hagen is a frequent lecturer on estate planning and health care funding.

community and legal organizations, including sponsorship of the Parkinson Association of Minnesota (PAM) Golf Tournament, which contributes to the PAM Respite Care Grant program.

"We pride ourselves in providing the highest quality legal services in an atmosphere of professionalism and compassion, with a commitment to the seniors and the family members we represent," Amundson says.

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