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Georgia J. Anetzberger is a consultant in private practice, Adjunct Assistant Professor in the Department of Medicine and Adjunct Faculty in the Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences at Case Western Reserve University, and Fellow in the Gerontological Society of America, including serving on the Editorial Board of *The Gerontologist*. She is a member of the Advisory Board to the National Center on Elder Abuse and the Steering Committee to the federal Elder Justice Roadmap. Dr. Anetzberger also is Past-President of the National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and immediate Past-Editor of the *Journal of Elder Abuse & Neglect*. She has been active in the field of elder abuse for over forty years as a practitioner, planner, administrator, researcher, and educator. Dr. Anetzberger has conducted pioneering research on such subjects as elder abuse perpetrators and cultural variation in meaning or response to elder abuse; authored more than eighty scholarly publications on elder abuse or related interventions, including the books *The Etiology of Elder Abuse by Adult Offspring* and *The Clinical Management of Elder Abuse*; was the architect of Ohio's adult protective services law; led in the establishment of the oldest state and local elder abuse networks in the United States; and was the 2005 recipient of the Rosalie S. Wolf Memorial Elder Abuse Prevention Award—National Category.

Staci Converse, Managing Attorney

Staci Converse leads Disability Rights Maine's (DRM) developmental disabilities team of eight advocates and attorneys. She has litigated on a variety of civil rights issues such as access to Medicaid community-based services, compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and contesting guardianship. Staci was DRM's lead attorney in *Van Meter v. Mayhew*, a class-action lawsuit that forced the Maine Department of Health and Human Services to provide services to people with developmental disabilities so they can live in the community. She has trained extensively on alternatives to guardianship and Supported Decision-Making (SDM). She recently published *Guardianship Reform: Supported Decision-Making and Maine's New Probate Code* in the Fall/Winter 2018 edition of the Maine Bar Journal.

Prior to joining DRM in 2008, she was an attorney specializing in special education law, a member of DRM's Board of Directors, and a law clerk to Justice Susan Calkins of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court. Staci holds degrees from the University Of Maine School Of Law and the University of Texas at Austin.

Shirley Frederick, MD, FAAFP

Shirley A. Frederick practices Family Medicine at Maine Health, Southern Maine Health Care and is Board Certified by American Board of Family Physicians. Shirley's work interests are concerns of the aging adult including dementia and palliative care. She is also interested in the issues of medical care in Third World countries having made many mission trips to Guatemala, Honduras, Haiti and now leaving next month to investigate starting a program in Ghana, Africa with the Amenyo foundation. She is happily married to Todd Frederick, and they have three wonderful children. She is a Rotarian and very active in her church, but her priority and biggest joy is spending time with her family.

Rebecca Hobbs

Rebecca Hobbs is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), licensed by the State of Maine. As a CPA, Rebecca's expertise was non-profit accounting and compliance. She has also attained certification as a fraud examiner and worked as a system's consultant for nonprofit organizations. In the early 1990's, Rebecca became a volunteer for a local domestic violence hotline, and discovered an opportunity to do meaningful work that used her finance and her burgeoning advocacy skills. Since that time, Rebecca has been devoted to the cause of violence against women, as an advocate and educator, and in developing and administering resources, and leading organizations. Prior to moving to Southern Maine, she worked as Executive Director of Next Step Domestic Violence Project in Hancock and Washington Counties and is currently Executive Director of Through These Doors in Cumberland County. Rebecca lives in Portland with her Jack Russell Terrier, Buddy.

Benjamin Jenkins, Esq.

Benjamin Jenkins is the Litigation Director at Legal Services for the Elderly (LSE) where he supervises eight civil attorneys who represent Maine seniors in courtrooms and administrative hearings around the state. Ben grew up in Prospect, Maine, attended Bowdoin College, worked as a Peace Corps Volunteer in rural El Salvador, and then returned to Maine to graduate from the University of Maine School of Law. He clerked at the Maine Federal District Court for the Honorable Judge John Woodcock Jr. and worked in the Litigation Group at Pierce Atwood before joining LSE.

Nate Miller, LMSW

Nate Miller is a Licensed Master of Social Work in the State of Maine. He studied social work and psychology at the University of Maine at Farmington, Oxford Brooks University and the University of New England. Nate has worked in various roles within Maine's long-term care system. He is currently the Community Services Manager for SeniorsPlus. Nate is also Network Manager for Healthy Living for ME, chair of the Maine CDC Western District Coordinating Council and was the recipient of the 2017 Healthy Androscoggin Partnership Award.

Erin Salvo, J.D.

Erin Salvo is the Associate Director of Adult Protective Services in the Office of Aging and Disability Services (OADS) – Maine DHHS. Erin joined OADS in 2016, primarily involved in contract drafting, rulemaking, and coordinating the legislative process for the office, and started in her current role in 2017. As the APS Associate Director, Erin oversees the State-wide program responsible for receiving reports, conducting investigations, and intervening in cases of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of incapacitated and dependent adults and administers the public guardianship/conservatorship program. Prior to joining the Department, Erin worked as a civil trial attorney in Massachusetts and as a law clerk to the Justices of the Massachusetts Superior Court. Erin graduated from Michigan State University's Eli Broad College of Business with a bachelor's degree. She graduated magna cum laude from New England Law – Boston.

Candice L. Simeoni

Candice Simeoni started her career in Law Enforcement in 2004 and graduated from the 9th Law Enforcement Training Program at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in 2005. She obtained her Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration and Organizational Leadership Studies from the University of Southern Maine. Candice has had the opportunity to complete extensive training in the field of Elder Abuse, Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance. She is the President and founder of the York County Elder Abuse Task Force which was established in 2005 and a leader in elder exploitation investigations in her State. Candice has been part of many riveting advances in combating elder abuse and establishing successful community policy approaches for the past 15 years. Candice and her work have been featured on nationally recognized media productions; her investigations have been used as a model nationally; and she is known for many successes generated from the York County Elder Abuse Task Force. Candice has a passion for being the voice for our vulnerable populations and has a deep soft spot for the elderly and those with disabilities. Candice was recently acknowledged at the State capital as well as the nation's capital in Washington, DC for her work. Candice speaks nationally about her proactive approaches to educating various facets on challenging elder abuse topics in today's society, about the importance of multidisciplinary approaches to elder exploitation and investigation response.

Kimberly Snow

Kimberly Snow has been a Research Associate at the Cutler Institute at the University of Southern Maine since 2013 and has focused primarily on issues surrounding both elder abuse and services and supports for older adults. She is the project director on a research study funded by the National Institute of Justice to analyze the Medicare and Medicaid costs associated with different forms of elder abuse and compare them to those of the general older population.

Another area of Ms. Snow's interest includes the intersection of the medical and Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS) systems for elders and adults with disabilities. Ms. Snow's work in this area includes participating on the evaluation team tasked with analyzing the impact of the CMS Financial Alignment Initiative to integrate Medicare and Medicaid for dually eligible beneficiaries. Ms. Snow has a Master's in Health Services Administration from the University of Michigan School of Public Health.

Patricia Thorsen, LSW

Trish Thorsen is the Ombudsman Program Manager for the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program (LTCOP). Trish has worked for the Ombudsman Program since 2011, initially as a Regional Ombudsman, then as the Volunteer Program Manager. In August of 2015, she assumed her current position as Program Manager. Trish is a licensed social worker, and prior to working for LTCOP, she worked for ten years at Elder Independence of Maine coordinating home care services.

Joseph Zamboni, J.D., M.P.H., M.P.P.M.

Joseph Zamboni currently oversees the Hospital Program at the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program in Maine. In this position, he oversees and assists with complex patient discharges from Maine hospitals, collects data on difficult-to-place patients, and educates the Maine Legislature and public about discharge. Joseph works with the Maine Medical Malpractice Screening Panel and the Maine Financial Abuse Specialist Team and is adjunct faculty at Vermont Medical School, the University of New England and UMass Amherst.