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SPECIAL SPOTLIGHT ISSUE: HONORING THE HEROES IN OUR LIVES & COMMUNITY

The Estate & Asset Protection Law Firm would like you to join us in celebrating the heroes in our lives. This month we celebrate all of the mother's out there, and the brave men and women who have dedicated their time to serving our country and protecting our freedom honorably.

To different extents, both mothers and veterans make great personal sacrifices to make our lives safe,

useful, and worthwhile. We really owe so much to both of these kinds of heroes.

Real heroes don't wear capes, some wear fatigues and pin medals, and others wield patience and share unconditional love with their macaroni and finger paint artists.

We also would like to take a moment to celebrate the older Americans in Decatur and

beyond. If you or a loved one require reinforced financial or legal protection then give us a call today at **470-235-7868**.

To Your Health And Happiness,

Victoria L. Collier

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The Estate & Asset Protection Law Firm

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DID YOU KNOW?

May is National Older American's Month
If you're a care giver, a loving spouse, a caring family member, or just someone who wants to see the elder people you care about thrive, then make it point to celebrate with the Older American's in your life. To learn how you can help older Americans maximize their quality of life call us at **470-235-7868**.

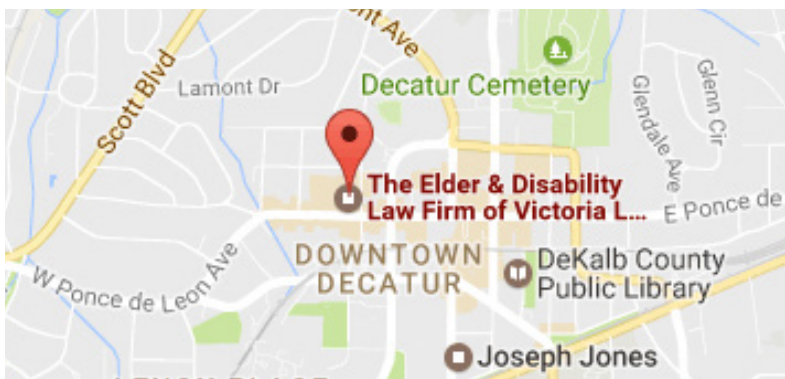
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CHERI TIPTON, SENIOR ATTORNEY

Cheri grew up on her family's farm in East Tennessee where she developed the values of hard work, respect for elders, and as a sense of wonder for the world.

Cheri has consistently explored an interest in direct client care and service to vulnerable populations in a variety of settings. She has worked with individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities and those living with mental illness in both a classroom and residential environment, served as an Anesthesia Technician at Vanderbilt Medical Center in Labor & Delivery, and, as an attorney, worked closely with the Atlanta Long Term Care Ombudsman program which advocates for residents of nursing homes, personal care homes, and assisted living facilities.

Cheri earned a Bachelor and Masters of Art in English at the University of Tennessee and was honored with admission into Phi Beta Kappa. She moved to Atlanta to be close to a beloved aunt fighting cancer, and she attended Emory University School of Law.

Most of Cheri's legal career has been with the Atlanta Legal Aid Society, Inc. Starting as a Staff Attorney with the Senior Citizens Law Project, she also served the organization as Managing Attorney of the Georgia Senior Legal Hotline and as Deputy Director of the approximately 62-attorney firm.

She lives Decatur with her twin teenage sons, two dogs, cat, bearded dragon, and 4 chickens.

SHANNON M. PAWLEY, J.D., LL.M, COO

Shannon is the firm's COO. Born and raised in the Tidewater area of Virginia to a tightknit family with strong military service roots, Shannon learned from an early age the value of hard work and the importance of social awareness to ensure you always leave a situation in a better place than how you entered it. In her junior year of high school, Shannon served as U.S. House of Representatives Page during the 101st United States Congress in Washington, D.C.

Shannon earned her undergraduate degree at North Carolina Wesleyan College and pursued a law degree from Michigan State University College of Law. After becoming a licensed attorney in Michigan, she continued her educational pursuit by acquiring a LL.M. (Masters of Law) in Taxation from Wayne State University.

In her professional tenure, Shannon has represented the full spectrum of clients from international blue chip companies to single parents. While she prospered as a litigator, Shannon began to realize her natural talent as a mentor by developing others in their practice and procedures. That lead her to focusing more on the operational aspect of the legal practice. Prior to joining the firm, Shannon was the Vice President of Litigation Operations with a national law firm overseeing the litigation offices across the United States.

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HONORING OUR MOMS



Melanie & Her Mom

For me, my Mom has always been an example of courage, tolerance, and compassion – three qualities that I aspire to make a part of my life. She demonstrates each of these qualities in both small day- to-day ways and in tremendous acts, all rooted in loving others.

-Melanie Richardson, Director of Client & Community Resources

My Mom Pastor Louise Darden is a great example of strength, love and independence. She is the mother of 4 successful children & 6 wonderful grandchildren. She has devoted so much time to the assistance of God's people while nurturing her family. Affectionately known as Momma Lou or Auntie Louise by her coworkers & fellow laborers in the Gospel, they love & respect her dearly. She is a rose that can be enjoyed without the thorns. She is truly a gift that has been blessed to be shared with many.

- Shenique Raines, Receptionist/
Administrative Assistant



Shenique & Her Mom

The best compliment a person can give me is that I am just like my mom. She is an amazing woman who selflessly sacrifices her personal wants/dreams to support her family as they achieve their goals. I am who I am today thanks to her love and support. She has celebrated with me in my successes and comforted me in my struggles. The quote that always reminds me of her is "There is no such thing as a mistake as everything happens for a reason." Through this simple quote, I take comfort in even the darkest events in my life. I am so very lucky have such an awesome mother.

- Shannon Pawley, COO



Shannon & Her Mom

My favorite memory with my mother is traveling with her to Spain. She is such a hard-working, selfless woman and I enjoyed watching her take time to relax, celebrate culture, and cross a destination off our bucket list together.

- Jaina Reed, Client Services Coordinator



Jaina & Her Mom

TO ALL OF OUR NATION'S BRAVE VETERANS

Courage is often quiet, and the tribute to men and women in the military who've served and sacrificed their lives for our freedom and liberty is often drowned out by the noise of retailers, and dealerships. The fallen members of our armed forces deserve so much, and the appreciation for them today. With the holiday of remembrance in mind, the appreciation we convey should aim to bridge the gap in our gratitude for their remembrance of duty and honor.

As you know, this month we celebrate Memorial Day, a time where we reflect on the selflessness of the men and women in the armed forces who died during their service. Did you know that May is also officially recognized as Military Appreciation Month? Our firm proudly has long had it's roots in assisting veterans and servicemen of our community. Victoria L. Collier, CELA has especially championed the legal rights and financial security of veterans during the course of her career. She was the Co-Founder for the organization Lawyers for Wartime Veterans, and wrote the book *47 Secrets Veterans' Benefits for Seniors...Benefits You Have Earned But Don't Know About*.

We provide veterans, and heroes of all stars and stripes, long-term financial stability, and the assurance that our clients are set up for success during their golden years. Together we can help ensure financial freedom for the brave men and women of our community, and provide our clients with long-term financial and legal peace of mind.

VISIT CHERI, OUR FIRM'S NEW SENIOR ATTORNEY FOR A CONSULTATION THIS JUNE & RECEIVE 10% OFF YOUR LEGAL FEES

IF YOU'VE PUSHED BACK SCHEDULING YOUR MUCH NEEDED CONSULTATION, **DON'T WAIT ANOTHER DAY!**

The Estate & Asset Protection Law Firm will offer **10% off legal fees for clients who schedule a consultation with Cheri (and engage the firm for services) during the month of June**. We're excited for you to take advantage of the opportunity to meet with Cheri, a seasoned attorney whom we are honored to have serving our firm's clients. Take comfort in knowing that it is the mission of every member of our firm to support our clients in the creation of a long-term care plan for preserving assets, maximizing independence, and enhancing quality of life.

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