

Power of Attorney Advance Directives

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Power of Attorney -

Maryland General and Limited Power of Attorney Act
[MD Code, Estates and Trusts, 17-101-17-204](#)

Personal Financial Power of Attorney
[MD Code, Estates and Trusts, 17-202](#)

Limited Power of Attorney
[MD Code, Estates and Trusts, 17-203](#)

Form Used to Certify Facts Concerning Power of Attorney
[MD Code, Estates and Trusts, 17-204](#)

Advance Directive -

Health Care Decisions Act
[MD Code, Health-General, 5-601-5-626](#)

Advance Directives; Form
[MD Code, Health-General, 5-603](#)

A **Power of Attorney** is a document that gives someone legal authority to act for another person. Please be aware that the Maryland General and Limited Power of Attorney Act has been amended and new power of attorney laws and forms were enacted starting on October 1, 2020.

An **Advance Directive** is a document describing what health care you want or do not want after you can no longer choose because of a medical emergency or other event.

Presented are select resources focusing on the issues of power of attorney and advance directive.

Library Resources

Document Drafting For The Elder Law Attorney / Lawrence Asashek, et al. (MSBA, 2015) (KFM 1340 .A32 2015)

Durable Powers of Attorney and Health Care Directives, 4th ed. / Michael L.M. Jordan and Stuart C. Bear (Thomson Reuters, 2010-) (KF 1347 .D87)

Elder Law in Maryland, 4th ed. (Matthew Bender/LexisNexis, 2012-) (KFM 1291 .F82 RESERVE)

Health Care Decision Making / Ellen A. Callegary (MSBA, 2016) (KFM 1567 .H431 2016)

Practice Manual for the Maryland Lawyer, 6th ed. (MSBA, 2023) (KFM 1738 .Z9 M32 2023 RESERVE)

Information and Articles

Maryland Attorney General

[Advance Directives](#)

[Maryland Advance Directive: Planning Your Future Health Care Decisions \(brochure and forms\)](#)

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