

Attorney Hallie Zobel to Discuss Estate Planning for Special Needs at Pace Brantley School

Maitland, FL – April 29, 2013 – Bailey Zobel Pilcher, a boutique law firm focused on the practice areas of probate, wills, trust and guardianship services, as well as business succession, asset protection and estate planning, today announced that partner Hallie Zobel will be speaking to parents of students attending the Pace Brantley School in Longwood on May 7, at 6:00 pm. Zobel will discuss estate planning issues from the perspective of families with a special needs child.

Founded in 1972, Pace Brantley School is a non-profit, 501(c)3 school dedicated to serving students in grades 1-12, who have been identified as having a learning disability such as dyslexia, dysgraphia, dyscalculia, auditory processing disorders, other learning disabilities and ADHD. The school's academic goal is to provide intensive remediation and instructional accommodations to enable students to reach their true academic and intellectual potential.

Specifically, Zobel will discuss the various options parents have and what provisions they need to make within their estate plan in order to provide care for their loved one should they no longer be able to do so. Her presentation will address some of the most common questions surrounding special needs planning, including:

- What is the difference between a will, a living trust and a living will?
- What is a special needs trust?
- What is the purpose of a durable power of attorney?

"The laws surrounding what's called Supplemental Security Income, or SSI, and other issues related to guardianship, trustees and the distribution of assets have become more complex than ever before," Zobel said. "It's important that parents of a special needs child understand their options. If they don't have a sound legal plan in place, then the courts will make many of these critical decisions for them, often resulting in substandard care. I'm honored to have been asked to speak at this event and I look forward to helping arm parents with important information and knowledge so they can more fully understand their own unique situation."

About Bailey Zobel Pilcher

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