

Nursing Home Abuse

At the law offices of Lutz, Bobo & Telfair, P.A., we have an unwavering commitment to protecting the rights of the elderly. Our staff of attorneys can provide your family with sound legal counsel and resolute representation if someone you love has suffered abuse at the hands of a healthcare provider. Serving Sarasota, Bradenton, and Greater Southwest Florida, a lawyer who handles nursing home abuse cases from our firm can handle the necessary steps involved in filing a personal injury lawsuit so that your family can focus on the healing process. To schedule a free consultation, contact a lawyer handling nursing home abuse cases from Lutz, Bobo & Telfair, P.A., today.

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Nursing Home Abuse Lawsuits Healthcare providers – whether they work in hospitals, clinics, or nursing homes and assisted-living facilities – have a legal and professional obligation to perform their duties in accordance with an accepted standard of care. If a loved one has been injured in a nursing home or assisted-living facility because he or she was abused or neglected by the staff, you have legal rights.

If it can be shown clearly that a family member was injured because a healthcare provider failed to perform his or her duties to an accepted standard of care, we can help you file a medical malpractice lawsuit. In the tragic event of a loved one's premature death, we can help your family file a wrongful death lawsuit against the liable parties. Serving Sarasota, Bradenton, and Greater Southwest Florida, a lawyer handling nursing home abuse cases from Lutz, Bobo & Telfair, P.A., has the experience, dedication, and legal knowledge needed to bring leverage to your case. You can rest assured that we will work tirelessly to bring your case to a successful resolution.

Common Types of Nursing Home Abuse Below are some of the most common types of nursing home abuse. Any of the following may be grounds for filing a medical malpractice or personal injury lawsuit:

- Physical Abuse – If a patient in the care of a healthcare provider is physically abused in any way, the liable party may face criminal and civil penalties. Physical abuse includes being hit, shoved, slapped, or physically restrained in a manner that is detrimental to the health of the patient. At Lutz, Bobo & Telfair, P.A., we have a steadfast commitment to our clients and the rights of the elderly. If a loved one has been physically abused in a nursing home, we want to help.
- Emotional Abuse – Any type of emotional or psychological abuse that causes an elderly individual harm, discomfort, or pain may be grounds for filing a lawsuit. This can include treating patients like children, humiliating or ridiculing them, intimidating or threatening them, isolating an individual from other people, and ignoring the patient. At our Sarasota and Bradenton-area law firm, a lawyer who handles nursing home abuse cases can help if a loved one has been emotionally abused.
- Sexual Abuse – Any type of non-consensual sexual activity between a patient and a healthcare provider is considered sexual abuse. This includes sexual battery and rape, as well as acts such as forcing a patient to undress, watch pornographic material, take pornographic photographs, or watch a sex act. In such instances, our lawyers may be able to file for punitive damages to punish the liable parties for their unacceptable and egregious actions.
- Financial Abuse – Unfortunately, patients in nursing homes and assisted-living facilities can be particularly vulnerable to financial exploitation. If a healthcare provider steals money from a patient, forges a patient's check, coerces a patient into changing beneficiary information in a will, misuses a patient's credit cards or checking account, or steals an elderly patient's identity, he or she can be brought up on criminal and civil charges.
- Neglect – Healthcare providers are obligated to provide for the patients under their charge. If an employee working in a nursing home fails to perform his or her duties, and a patient suffers injury or death as a result, the employee can be held liable for damages. Common forms of neglect include not feeding a patient, failing to take care of a patient's personal hygiene needs, failing to offer assistance to patients who have mobility issues, and generally neglecting to meet the patient's needs and wishes. Regardless of whether the neglect was intentional, the liable party can still be held accountable.

The attorneys at our Sarasota law firm believe that nursing home abuse must not be tolerated. If a loved one has suffered an injury or been killed because he or she was abused or neglected by a healthcare provider, we can help. Contact a Lawyer who Handles Nursing Home Abuse Cases If someone you love has been abused by a healthcare provider in a nursing home or assisted-living facility, our attorneys can provide your family with sound legal counsel and effective representation. Visit our Resources page to learn more about filing a claim. To schedule a free consultation in the Sarasota area, contact a lawyer handling nursing home abuse cases from Lutz, Bobo & Telfair, P.A., today.