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## **SCREENING DATES SET FOR SENIORS SEEKING ASSISTANCE THROUGH HBA 'WILL-A-THON'**

(Houston, TX – February 9, 2011) – The Houston Bar Association's Elder Law Committee will sponsor a Will-A-Thon to provide simple wills and basic medical directives, free of charge, for elderly citizens who meet the income guidelines.

**To apply for assistance through the Will-A-Thon, senior citizens must call 713-228-0735 from 9 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., February 28-April 8, 2011, to complete a screening application over the phone.** To qualify, applicants must be Harris County residents 60 years of age or older and meet the Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program low-income guidelines.

Those who qualify will be given an appointment to meet with a volunteer attorney on Tuesday, April 19, 2011, at the Third Ward Multi-Purpose Center, 3611 Ennis, Suite 118. The documents will be completed on Tuesday, May 17 at the Third Ward Multi-Purpose Center.

The Houston Bar Association's Elder Law Committee provides free legal services and advice to senior citizens in Harris County, as well as free handbooks on Elder Law.

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