

## **Expert Witness**

Paul Gordon is a partner at Hanson Bridgett LLP, working with seniors housing and care providers since 1975. He is the author of the book Seniors' Housing and Care Facilities: Development, Business and Operations (Urban Land Institute, 3d Edition) and has been called "godfather of senior housing" by the Chambers USA legal directory. Given Paul's tenure and experience in the industry, he frequently serves as an expert witness on senior living communities in federal and state courts. He counsels clients on business transactions, regulatory compliance, risk management and dispute resolution, fair housing and ADA compliance and operations counseling. He litigates in federal and state courts, including court and jury trials and appellate work. He has been instrumental in drafting state and model national continuing care and assisted living facility legislation and

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Simply put, Mr. Gordon was one of the best, direct, knowledgeable and precise experts that the undersigned has witnessed in 39 years of practicing law whether in the courtroom or in an arbitration. The differences between the two experts was staggering."

- Arbitrator in a recent case

the U.S. General Accountability Office consulted with him in preparation of its report to the Senate on Continuing Care Retirement Communities.

Senior Living Expert [Independent Living, Assisted Living, Continuing Care]

50 years' experience, including regulatory and liability issues

Author of 600+ page book *Seniors Housing and Care Facilities*, Urban Land Institute

Developed a nationally-distributed Handbook summarizing Assisted Living and Continuing Care laws for Every State

General Counsel, American Seniors Housing Association

Testified in court and jury trials in state and federal courts

Extensive list of articles and presentations nationally

## Sample Expert Witness Litigation Engagements

**Texas** - independent living wrongful death case where resident was locked out and died from hypothermia

**Pennsylvania** - resident pedestrian killed in an automobile accident involving resident driver

**Tennessee** – continuing care resident alleged contract was unconscionable

California - dispute involving sale of assisted living facility



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