

The N.C. Bar issued an ethics opinion that addresses how attorneys can handle initial interviews attended by only a relative of a potential client who is too sick to attend. The ethics opinion was the result of an inquiry sent by The Elder Law Clinic. Here is a form that was approved.

THE ELDER LAW CLINIC FAMILY MEETING CONSENT FORM

I, _____, understand that The Elder Law Clinic and/or its employees does not represent me regarding issues that concern my _____, _____.

I understand that The Elder Law Clinic and/or its employees may decide to represent my _____, after the initial meeting with us.

I understand that The Elder Law Clinic and/or its employees may use whatever I say to them during the initial meeting and subsequent meetings against my interests.

I understand that I could hire my own lawyer and I have chosen not to do so.

I have read this document and understand its contents.

Signature

Date

Witness

Date