Consumer Protection and Advocacy

There are consumer protection and advocacy resources that may assist you and your family in specific situations. Depending on your needs, you can find legal services and valuable resources on a wide array of topics - including consumer protection, finding an attorney, adult abuse and neglect, crime prevention, fraud, discrimination and victim rights.



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HitchSwitch Name Change Services

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AARP Fraud Watch Network Helpline

AARP's Fraud Watch NetworkTM Helpline is a free resource for AARP members and nonmembers alike. Trained fraud specialists and volunteers field thousands of calls each month. Get guidance you can trust, free of judgment.

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Virginia Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (VAELA) Resources

Learn about the resources and information offered from the Virginia Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (VAELA). Article

Five of the Biggest Scams to Watch for in 2025

Criminals are getting more sophisticated and supercharging old scams with new technology. Learn how to protect yourself.

Source <u>AARP</u> Books & Guides

Senior Virginians Handbook: Legal Information and Resources

The Senior Virginians Handbook was developed by the Senior Lawyers Conference of the Virginia State Bar and provides a legal resource for senior citizens. Source <u>Virginia State Bar (VSB)</u> Links

Public Safety Brochures from the National Police Association

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National Anti-Fraud Hotline

Source <u>National Anti-Fraud Hotline</u> Books & Guides

Protective Orders in Virginia: A Guide for Victims

The guide Protective Orders in Virginia-A Guide for Victims provides essential information for anyone seeking a protective order due to violence, force, threat, sexual assault or bodily injury. Learn about the types of protective orders, legal representation, and Virginia laws.

Source Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services Article

Top Five Social Security Fraud and Scam Prevention Tools

Having the right tools to fight fraud can make a huge difference. Learn about the top 5 Social Security fraud and scam prevention tools.

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Social Security Administration

Article

Aging, Disability, and the Americans with Disabilities Act

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is important to people of all ages including older adults.

Source Mid-Atlantic ADA Center

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