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## Katten's Joshua Rubenstein and Ronni Davidowitz Quoted in Citywealth on Elder Law

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Joshua Rubenstein, partner and national chair of Katten's Private Wealth Department, and Ronni Davidowitz, head of Katten's New York Private Wealth Department, were quoted in a *Citywealth* article discussing the importance of proactive elder law planning as a growing portion of the global population exceeds the age of 65.

As the population ages, planning for diminished health is an area where not only medical advisors play a role, but legal professionals are also crucial.

"As people continue to live ever longer, their chances of suffering ever diminishing capacity during the extra time they are gaining must sadly increase as well," Joshua shared. "For medical advisors, this of course underscores the importance of exercise and diet in one's later years. But for planning professionals, it underscores the importance of making sure that our clients have living wills, health care proxies and powers of attorney in place, hopefully to eliminate the needs for guardianship proceedings during these later years, and of making sure that wills and trusts are as current as possible at all times, lest the time come when one loses testamentary capacity."

For parents with vulnerable children, it can be advantageous to rely on third parties to help navigate family dynamics.

"Parents of vulnerable children should consider corporate trustees," Ronni said. "They are objective, experienced and less likely to be swayed by family tensions. We often match clients with trustees early, before any emergency, so they can build trust. Waiting until the last-minute limits everyone's options."

"Elder Law 2025: a global challenge for an ageing, wealthier world," Citywealth, October 22, 2025

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