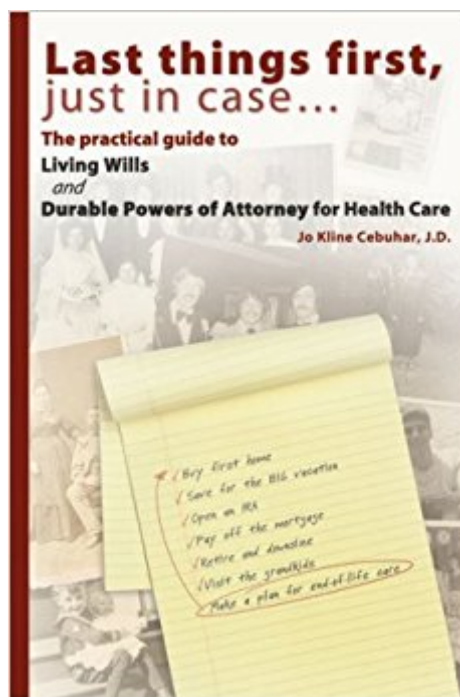




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# Last Things First, Just In Case... The Practical Guide To Living Wills And Durable Powers Of Attorney For Health Care



## Synopsis

This award-winning book has been replaced by "2015 Edition - The practical guide to Health Care Advance Directives" by Jo Kline Cebuhar, J.D.

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The book is a wealth of useful information that takes the mystery out of Advance Directives and related topics like Do Not Resuscitate Orders. The chapters are well documented and there is an extensive list of relevant internet resources... Knowledge is power. --Final Exit Network of Alaska  
The information in this book--basically the why and the how--is universally applicable. The book is clearly written and easily understandable to the layperson. I like her style of saying something in a jocular vein, as one might hear in a conversation with a friend, and then warning you to take the point seriously. --Int'l Association for Hospice and Palliative Care  
The most impressive aspect of this book, beside the author's exhaustive research, is the thoughtfulness with which it was produced...But beyond these aesthetic features is the most important element, the material itself. The author's command of her subject matter--from its historical contexts to current events and policy debates--is impressive. Just as importantly, she communicates this conceptual understanding of the subject in a clear and coherent manner. The analysis is sophisticated and multi-faceted, yet her writing style is conversational and instructive. All of this fosters a sense of confidence in the reader that the author's material is to be trusted. --Writer's Digest

Attorney Jo Kline Cebuhar brings over 24 years of legal expertise, her personal experiences with

end-of-life issues and a common sense narrative style to this timely subject. This book and its user-friendly approach are fundamental to understanding the complex legal and medical implications of death in America today.

Very informative. Clear language for me, as this text distills the somewhat dense legalism of officialdom. I recommend using this work, then checking to be sure of updates. The durable power of attorney has some updates. JohnIt is never too soon to pursue this information. I am 64 now and over the years saw my young friends and associates die without will or anything, causing problems with family members and loved ones. On example, a young man got a very good job. Then left wife (she was not nice person). Never took her off his company paperwork. So after three years, met wonderful woman. They made plans, etc. so he was killed. The wife got most everything. The child by new woman got some but the woman he was "going" to marry after finalizing divorce with first, was left out. The new woman was pregnant and left destitute. So take care of business! John

Very informative and helpful book. A must read for anyone trying to plan ahead. Highly recommended.

Good reminders of things to do.

In straightforward, easy-to-understand language, Jo Kline Cebuhar explains how to take control of the end of your life, and what will happen legally and medically if you don't. Simply telling a family member "don't keep me alive with machines" may not be enough. Many scenes of family bitterness could be avoided if everyone took the advice in this book. My husband just died of early onset Alzheimer's, and I wish we had read this book when we were doing our end of life planning. Thank you for a great reference book on a very difficult topic.

Jo Cline Cebuhar has written a book that pertains to so many. Each of us wants our wishes respected at the end of our lives. The author discusses end-of-life decision making, proxies, guardianships, power of attorney for health care, legalities of living wills, and many other aspects of choices we need to make regarding the end of our lives. The advance directive laws for each state as well as source references for end-of-life planning are worth the cost of the book. However, you get so much more, and Jo Kline Cebuhar's writing is concise and to the point. I especially learned that my end-of-life wishes can give comfort to my family and loved ones when

they know exactly what I want. Add this book to your personal library.

If you want a say in medical care and treatment at the end of your life, you want to own this book. Attorney and author Jo Kline Cebuhar writes in language clear enough for the layman. She includes everything you need to know about preparing advance directives, understanding the role of the proxy and the living will, and making numerous end-of-life choices. "Last things first" is an essential reference book for every home library in America.

"Just in case" you do not have a law degree and you need some good, practical advice on living wills and durable powers of attorney for health care, this is your book! In a straight-forward, understandable (i.e., non-lawyer language!) approach, Jo Kline Cebuhar tells you everything you need to know. A must!

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