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JULY 22

PROFESSOR PEARSON QUOTED IN NATIONAL MEDIA ABOUT FILIAL SUPPORT LAWS

July 22, 2009

Carlisle, Pa. — Professor Katherine Pearson was quoted in an article on ABCNews.com on July 15 titled “Pay Your Parents’ Bills or Else: Little Known State Laws Force Some to Pay Their Parents’ Nursing Home Bills.” An expert on filial support laws, Professor Pearson discussed how a Pennsylvania statute can make an adult child responsible for a parent’s unpaid medical and nursing home debts. Professor Pearson was also quoted in a column titled “If mom cannot pay, adult child must” in the online edition of the *Philadelphia Inquirer* on July 12.

During the fall of 2009, Professor Pearson will be the Peterson Visiting Scholar in Gerontology and Family Studies at Oregon State University. She will then spend part of 2010 in residence at Queen’s University Belfast in Northern Ireland on a Fulbright grant, where her international research will focus on policies related to protection and care for older adults. Professor Pearson established the elder law curriculum at The Dickinson Schools of Law of the Pennsylvania State University and directs the Elder Law and Consumer Protection Clinic.

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