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Jeffrey Rabin, an attorney licensed in Illinois in 1980, has focused his law practice in the representation of disabled individuals seeking benefits under the Social Security Act. Mr. Rabin founded Jeffrey A. Rabin & Associates, Ltd. in 1988 and has represented clients nationwide at all levels of the administrative process, and in the federal courts.

Jeff has shared his experience well beyond his law practice. In April 2012 Mr. Rabin joined the Board of Directors of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)–DuPage County Chapter and in 2016 became Chairperson of the Board of Directors, a position he still holds. He was elected in August 2015 as the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Alliance to End Homelessness in Suburban Cook County, a coalition of homeless service providers throughout Cook County. In 2000 Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna Shalala appointed Mr. Rabin as a member of the department’s Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Coordinating Committee. He has served as Vice President of the Board of Directors of the Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, Fibromyalgia and Chemical Sensitivity Coalition of Chicago (CFCCC), and served for many years on the Board of the Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Society of Illinois. Jeff has also served as a member of the Northern Illinois Multiple Sclerosis Society Professional Advisory Committee and on its Advocacy Committee. From 1993 until 2001 Mr. Rabin was an elected member of the Deerfield District 109 School Board and served as Board President for one year. Mr. Rabin has also served as a member of the Board of Directors of Congregation B’nai Tikvah in Deerfield, IL

In May 2013 Mr. Rabin received the Volunteer Advocate of the Year award from the Lupus Foundation of Illinois.

A frequent speaker on Social Security issues Mr. Rabin has lectured nationwide to a variety of community, legal, insurance and government agencies. He has lectured a number of times for the National Organization of Social Security Claimants’ Representatives (NOSSCR). He has testified before Congress on Social Security issues and was featured in a “60 Minutes” story on this area of the law. He has also had articles published in a variety of publications. Mr. Rabin has spoken to groups sponsored by the Lupus Foundation, American Cancer Society, the Multiple Sclerosis Society, Gilda’s Club, The Arthritis Foundation, the National Kidney Foundation, the National Alliance on Mental Illness and many others. On three occasions Mr. Rabin has been asked to speak at the annual conference of Illinois Township Officials and he has spoken at

several Illinois Institute of Continuing Legal Education and Chicago Bar Association programs.

Mr. Rabin is also the Principal of PR Legal Marketing, Inc. a marketing firm for Social Security and general litigation law firms nationwide. In this role he assists as a consultant to small and medium sized law firms on marketing and law office operation.

Jeff graduated from DePaul University College of Law in 1980, and the University of Missouri – Columbia in 1977 with a Bachelor of Journalism degree. He and his wife Shari live in Lincolnshire, IL. Shari is a paralegal in the law practice and devotes much of her professional and personal time volunteering for social service agencies in the community. The rest of their time is spent enjoying their six young grandchildren.

### **PRESENTATION SUMMARY**

Mr. Rabin's presentation is entitled "SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY: CHANGE AND CONFUSION." During this "non-legal" presentation he explains the different Social Security disability law and programs, reviews how Social Security analyzes claims and how to prepare so that the strongest case possible is made to the Social Security Administration. Mr. Rabin explains the application process and how months can be shaved from the processing time. Practical hints are provided in how to deal with the bureaucracy, how to communicate with treating physicians, and how to minimize the chance of delays and lost files. Finally, the rules regarding how to return to work while on SSDI and SSI are outlined so that people receiving benefits will have accurate information when making the step back into the work force.

This discussion will de-mystify the application and appeals process, and provide people with disabilities the information they need to protect and assert their rights under the Social Security Act. This is intended to be an open discussion between Mr. Rabin and the audience. Questions are encouraged and materials will outline the subject matter and provide room for notes.