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A discussion of secondary legal sources follow in **Section III** including a list of periodical publications and digest key numbers. **Section IV** discusses non-legal sources, including periodicals, books, and internet resources, that will provide the reader with a variety of material to answer Advance Directive/Living Will questions that might arise in practice.

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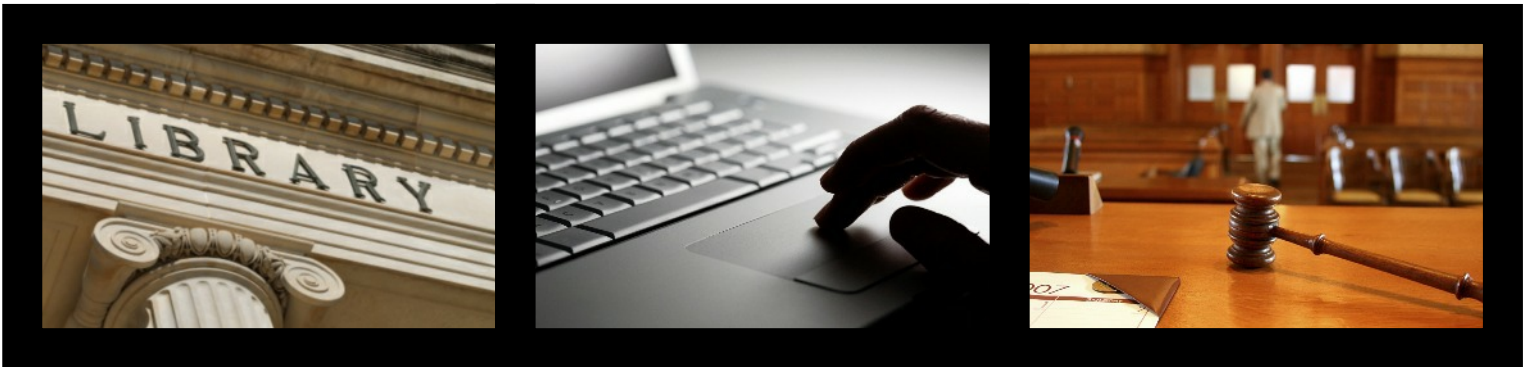
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