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**Welcome** to the Center  
for Disability Rights.

Center for Disability Rights is the Center for Independent Living (CIL) for South Central Connecticut and the Shoreline and Estuary areas. We are consumer controlled and directed, and we provide CORE services such as information & referral; peer support; independent living skills; advocacy - both individual & systemic; nursing home transition services; and youth transition services.

We were established in 1989, and we have a credible and accomplished record of achievement. We are the premier advocacy organization by and for people with disabilities.

CDR is proud to introduce our legal advocacy services for senior citizens and young people with disabilities who wish to avoid nursing homes or to leave a nursing home and return to the community.

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**Meet Our  
Long Term Care Planning  
Attorney**

**Marc Anthony Gallucci,  
Esq.**

Attorney Gallucci is graduate of the University of Connecticut School of Law. He is a member of the Connecticut Bar Association and the Plan of CT.

He is also a Certified Aging & Disability Specialist (CADS).

Attorney Gallucci has advocated for people with disabilities and their families for four decades. He is the Executive Director of Center for Disability Rights and handles Elder and Long Term Care matters.

Attorney Gallucci and CDR staff have helped hundreds of people to leave nursing homes and return to their lives in the community. They have also helped hundreds to avoid nursing homes entirely.



**Legal Advocacy  
at  
Center for Disability  
Rights**

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## **Our Philosophy**

Because we are a project of Center for Disability Rights, Independent Living (IL) philosophy is our guiding star.

At the heart of IL philosophy is the belief that people with disabilities - by virtue of living their lives everyday with their disabilities - are the experts on their own needs and desires. People with disabilities are not broken or sick; but rather, the real disabling condition is the physical, communicative, and attitudinal barriers present in the environment around us. Remove these barriers, and people with disabilities can go anywhere and do the same things that people without disabilities can do.

CDR, and the Legal Advocacy services of CDR, aim to remove barriers to the full inclusion of people with disabilities in the life of our community.

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## **Our Services**

### **Elder & Long-Term Care Advocacy**

Pooled Trusts (through the Plan of CT);

Special Needs Trusts;

Care Agreements;

Durable Power of Attorney;

Appointment of Health Care Agent;

Living Wills;

Nursing Facility Transition;

Home Care Advocacy;

Benefits Counseling; and,

Technical Assistance to modify your home so that you can stay there.

You deserve to live your life the way you want to the best of your abilities.

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## **Our Fees**

Because we are a non-profit, our fee scale is quite reasonable as compared with those of a private law firm.

Contact us to discuss how our services may meet your needs, and to discuss our fees for those services.

### **Legal Advocacy at CDR**

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Appointments may be arranged  
at your convenience.