



Join us for a screening of *An Age for Justice: Confronting Elder Abuse in America*



- Sponsor:** 13th Judicial Circuit's *Elder Justice Center*
- Date & Time:** Friday, June 14, 2013, 10:00 – 11:30
- Location:** Courtroom 1, George Edgecomb Courthouse, 6th Floor
800 E. Twiggs Street, Tampa
- Who Should Attend?** Judges, court staff, law enforcement, adult protective services workers, aging services providers, attorneys (state and private), and anyone else in a position to help improve our community's response to elder abuse

In recognition of World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, the 13th Judicial Circuit's *Elder Justice Center* will be hosting a screening of *An Age for Justice: Confronting Elder Abuse in America*. *An Age for Justice* is a short documentary that brings you into the homes of courageous American elders, to hear their poignant and real stories about the abuse, neglect, and exploitation they have experienced. These intimate stories reveal a hidden crisis harming older Americans in every community across the country. By uniting the voices of abused elders, family members and experts from across the nation, *An Age for Justice* brings the issue of elder abuse out of the shadows and asks us to imagine what we would do if someone we knew was a victim of elder abuse, and we were in a position to stop it.

Elder abuse is a growing but underreported problem, and we are grateful to our local judiciary for having the foresight to establish our *Elder Justice Center*, in 1999, to increase access to the court system and social and legal services for older adults. Please join us at this elder abuse awareness event as we discuss this important topic, distribute educational materials, and encourage all agencies involved to participate in a multidisciplinary collaboration that will ultimately improve the judicial system's response to elder abuse.

The event program will include:

- Presentation of the Chief Judge's Proclamation in recognition of World Elder Abuse Awareness Day
- Screening of *An Age for Justice*
- A facilitated post-screening discussion of the film
- Introduction of the Mickey Rooney Elder Abuse Pro Bono Project
- The Elder Justice Center's Call to Action & distribution of resource materials



Participants are encouraged to wear something purple to the event, as a symbol of this elder abuse awareness campaign – since the color purple is recognized worldwide to represent dignity respect & royalty, and can serve as a reminder of how our community should be treating our elders.

Please plan to attend! RSVP by calling (813) 276-2726 or e-mailing elder@fljud13.org