# 1. Person Living in Home as Guest could be Household Member under Domestic Violence Act. <u>S.Z. v M.C.</u> 617 NJ Super. 627 (App. Div. 2011)

The court reverse the trial court and find jurisdiction under the "household member" provision of the Prevention of Domestic Violence Act in a situation where the male defendant was a guest in the male plaintiff's home, living with plaintiff and his wife and children for seven months. While living with plaintiff, defendant allegedly climbed a ladder placed against the home to peep through a window at plaintiff coming out of the show the court. Ten months after being thrown out of the home, defendant allegedly follow the court plaintiff and planted a secret camera in plaintiff's truck to surreptitiously record him. Although the two men never had a traditional familial, romantic or sexual relationship, the court find that neither the incompatible sexual

orientations.

# 2. Unsigned Confession can be used to Refresh Witness during Trial. <u>State v. Gore</u> 205 NJ 363 (A-77-09)

State v. Cleveland, 6 N.J., 316 (1951), is superseded by the New Jersey Rules of Evidence. Rule 803(c)(5) permits the admission of a defendant's unsigned and unacknowledged transcribed statement, used to refresh a witness' memory as past recollection recorded, provided there is no objection and all foundational requirements, including Rule 803(b)(1), are satisfied. Although the trial court erroneously permitted the formal confession statement to be moved into evidence after the record had closed, plain error does not exist because there is no reasonable likelihood that admission of the statement caused the jury to reach a conclusion that it otherwise would not have reached.

### **2011 Update Wills and Estate Planning- Free** Lunch & Law Seminar

WHEN: Friday June 24, 2011 12:15-1:00 PM

WHERE: Law Office of Kenneth Vercammen, 2053 Woodbridge Ave, Edison, NJ 08817

Invited: Clients, Friends, Seniors, Accountants, CPA's, Financial Planners, Insurance Producers, Nursing Home Administrators, Hospital and Nursing Home Social Workers

COST: Free if you pre-register. Please bring a canned food donation, which will be given to the St. James Food Bank located on Woodbridge Avenue in Edison, NJ. Please email us if you plan on attending or if you would like us to email the materials. Complimentary Sandwiches and materials provided at 12:00 sharp. We previously held this seminar for the Metuchen and Edison Adult schools. This program is limited to 15 people. Re-scheduled from the January 12 snow cancellation.

SPEAKER: Kenneth Vercammen, Esq.

(Author- Answers to Questions About Probate)

The new NJ Probate Law made a number of substantial changes in Probate and the administration of estates and trusts in New Jersey.

Main Topics:

- 1. The New Probate Law and preparation of Wills
- 2. 2011 changes in Federal Estate and Gift Tax
- 3. NJ Inheritance taxes on estates over \$675,000
- 4. Power of Attorney
- 5. Living Will
- 6. Administering the Estate/ Probate/Surrogate
- 7. Question and Answer

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