

Estate Planning Worksheet

USING THIS ORGANIZER WILL ASSIST US IN DESIGNING AN ESTATE PLAN THAT MEETS YOUR GOALS.
ALL INFORMATION PROVIDED IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.

**IF POSSIBLE, PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED WORKSHEET TO OUR OFFICE PRIOR TO YOUR APPOINTMENT
VIA MAIL OR FAX.**

**Part I
Personal Information**

Client's Legal Name _____
(name most often used to title property and accounts)

Also Known As _____
(other names used to title property and accounts)

Prefer to be called _____ Birth date _____ SS# _____ US Citizen? _____

Home Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Telephone _____ County of Residence _____ Business Telephone _____

Employer _____ Position _____

Business Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address _____ It is okay to communicate with me via my E-mail address.

Date of Marriage _____

Client's Spouse or Second Grantor's Legal Name _____
(name most often used to title property and accounts)

Also Known As _____
(other names used to title property and accounts)

Prefer to be called _____ Birth date _____ SS# _____ US Citizen? _____

Home Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Telephone _____ County of Residence _____ Business Telephone _____

Employer _____ Position _____

Business Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address _____ It is okay to communicate with me via my E-mail address.

Children and Other Family Members

(Use full legal name. Use "JT" if both spouses are the parents, "1" if client or first listed grantor is the parent, "2" if spouse or second listed grantor is the parent, "S" if a single parent.)

| Name | Birth date | Parent or Relationship |
|-----------------|------------|------------------------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Comments: _____ | | |
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Advisors

| Name | Telephone |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Personal Attorney _____ | _____ |
| Accountant _____ | _____ |
| Financial Advisor _____ | _____ |
| Life Insurance Agent _____ | _____ |

Your Concerns

Please rate the following as to how important they are to you:
(H high concern, S some concerned, L low concern, N/A no concern or not applicable)

| Description | Level of Concern | |
|--|------------------|--------|
| | Client | Spouse |
| Desire to get affairs in order and create a comprehensive plan to manage affairs in case of death or disability. | | |
| Providing for and protecting a spouse. | | |
| Providing for and protecting children. | | |
| Providing for and protecting grandchildren. | | |
| Disinheriting a family member. | | |
| Providing for charities at the time of death. | | |
| Plan for the transfer and survival of a family business. | | |
| Avoiding or reducing your estate taxes. | | |
| Avoiding probate. | | |
| Reduce administration costs at time of your death. | | |
| Avoiding a conservatorship (“living probate”) in case of a disability. | | |
| Avoiding will contests or other disputes upon death. | | |
| Protecting assets from lawsuits or creditors. | | |
| Preserving the privacy of affairs in case of disability or at time of death from business competitors, predators, dishonest persons and curiosity seekers. | | |
| Plan for a child with disabilities or special needs, such as medical or learning disabilities. | | |
| Protecting children’s inheritance from the possibility of failed marriages. | | |
| Protect children’s inheritance in the event of a surviving spouse’s remarriage. | | |
| Provide that your death shall not be unnecessarily prolonged by artificial means or measures. | | |

Other Concerns (Please list below):

Important Family Questions

| (Please check "Yes" or "No" for your answer) | Yes | No |
|---|-----|----|
| Are you (or your spouse) receiving Social Security, disability, or other governmental benefits? <i>Describe</i> _____ | | |
| Are you (or your spouse) making payments pursuant to a divorce or property settlement order? <i>Please furnish a copy</i> | | |
| If married, have you and your spouse signed a pre- or post-marriage contract? <i>Please furnish a copy</i> | | |
| Have you (or your spouse) been widowed? <i>If a federal estate tax return or a state death tax return was filed, please furnish a copy</i> | | |
| Have you (or your spouse) ever filed federal or state gift tax returns? <i>Please furnish copies of these returns</i> | | |
| Have you (or your spouse) completed previous will, trust, or estate planning? <i>Please furnish copies of these documents</i> | | |
| Do you support any charitable organizations now that you wish to make provisions for at the time of your death? <i>If so, please explain below.</i> | | |
| Are there any other charitable organizations you wish to make provisions for at the time of your death? <i>If so, please explain below.</i> | | |
| If married, have you lived in any of the following states while married to each other? <i>Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, Washington, or Wisconsin</i> | | |
| Are you (or your spouse) currently the beneficiary of anyone else's trust? <i>If so, please explain below.</i> | | |
| Do any of your children have special educational, medical, or physical needs? | | |
| Do any of your children receive governmental support or benefits? | | |
| Do you provide primary or other major financial support to adult children or others? | | |

Additional Information

Part II

Property Information

Instructions for completing the Property Information checklist:

General Headings

This **Property Information** checklist helps you list all the property you own and what it is worth. If you do not own property under a particular heading, just leave that section blank. Under certain headings, you may own more property than can be listed on this checklist. If so, attach extra sheets of paper to list your additional property.

Type

Immediately after the heading for each kind of property is a brief explanation of what property you should list under that heading.

“Owner” of Property

How you own your property is **extremely important** for purposes of properly designing and implementing your estate plan. For each property, please indicate how the property is titled. When doing so, please use the following abbreviations:

| Owner of Property | Use |
|--|-----|
| If married, Client’s name alone, with no other person | C |
| If married, Spouse’s name alone, with no other person | S |
| If married, Joint Tenancy with spouse | JTS |
| Joint Tenancy with someone other than a spouse, i.e. a child, parent, etc. | JTO |
| If you cannot determine how the property is owned | ? |

Real Property

TYPE: Any interest in real estate including your family residence, vacation home, timeshare, vacant land, etc.

| General Description and/or Address | Owner | Market Value | Loan Balance |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | <i>Total</i> | _____ | _____ |

Furniture and Personal Effects

TYPE: List separately only major personal effects such as jewelry, collections, antiques, furs, and all other valuable non-business personal property (*indicate type below and give a lump sum value for miscellaneous, less valuable items.*)

| Type or Description | Owner | Market Value |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Miscellaneous Furniture and Household Effects (Total) | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | <i>Total</i> | _____ |

Automobiles, Boats, and RVs

TYPE: For each motor vehicle, boat, RV, etc. please list the following: description, how titled, market value and encumbrance:

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| _____ |

Bank Accounts

TYPE: Checking Account "CA", Savings Account "SA", Certificates of Deposit "CD", Money Market "MM" (*indicate type below*). Do not include IRAs or 401(k)s here

| Name of Institution and account number | Type | Owner | Amount |
|--|-------|--------------|--------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | | <i>Total</i> | _____ |

Note: If Account is in your name (or your spouse's name) for the benefit of a minor, please specify and give minor's name.

Stocks and Bonds

TYPE: List any and all stocks and bonds you own. If held in a brokerage account, lump them together under each account.
(indicate type below)

| Stocks, Bonds or Investment Accounts | Type | Acct. Number | Owner | Amount |
|--------------------------------------|-------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
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| | | | <i>Total</i> | _____ |

Life Insurance Policies and Annuities

TYPE: Term, whole life, split dollar, group life, annuity. **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Insurance company, type, face amount (death benefit), whose life is insured, who owns the policy, the current beneficiaries, who pays the premium, and who is the life insurance agent.

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| | <i>Total</i> | _____ |

Retirement Plans

TYPE: Pension (P), Profit Sharing (PS), H.R. 10, IRA, SEP, 401(K). **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Describe the type of plan, the plan name, the current value of the plan, and any other pertinent information.

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| | <i>Total</i> | _____ |

Business Interests

TYPE: General and Limited Partnerships, Sole Proprietorships, privately-owned corporations, professional corporations, oil interests, farm, and ranch interests. **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Give a description of the interests, who has the interest, your ownership in the interests, and the estimated value of the interests.

Money Owed To You

Total _____

TYPE: Mortgages or promissory notes payable to you, or other moneys owed to you.

| Name of Debtor | Date of Note | Maturity Date | Owed to | Current Balance |
|----------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
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| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | | | <i>Total</i> | _____ |

Anticipated Inheritance, Gift, or Lawsuit Judgment

TYPE: Gifts or inheritances that you expect to receive at some time in the future; or moneys that you anticipate receiving through a judgment in a lawsuit. **Describe in appropriate detail.**

Description _____

Total estimated value _____

Other Assets

TYPE: Other property is any property that you have that does not fit into any listed category.

| Type | Owner | Value |
|-------|-------|--------------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | | <i>Total</i> |

Summary of Values

| Assets | Amount* | | Total Value |
|--------------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------|
| | Client | Spouse | |
| Real Property | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Furniture and Personal Effects | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Automobiles, Boats and RV's | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Bank and Savings Accounts | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Stocks and Bonds | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Life Insurance and Annuities | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Retirement Plans | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Business Interests | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Money owed to you | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Anticipated Inheritance, Etc. | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Other Assets | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Total Assets: | _____ | _____ | _____ |

* *Joint Property values enter 1/2 in client's column and 1/2 in spouse's column.*

Part III
Design Information

PERSONS TO ACT FOR YOU:

GUARDIAN FOR MINOR CHILDREN: If you have any children under the age of 18, list in order of preference who you wish to be guardian.

| Name and Address | Relationship |
|------------------|--------------|
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE(S): Usually you and your spouse will be initial Co-Trustees of your joint trust. Allows you to continue to jointly control your assets as before. If you and your spouse were unable to make decisions (resignation, incapacity or death), who would you want to make decisions with regard to your property and assets, carry out your instructions, and ultimately distribute to and, if desired, manage property for your beneficiaries?

| Name and Address | Relationship |
|------------------|--------------|
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

POWER OF ATTORNEY: If you were unable to make financial decisions for yourself, who would you want to make those decisions for you?

CLIENT'S AGENT

| Name | Relationship | Instructions or Guidelines |
|-------|--------------|----------------------------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
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| _____ | _____ | _____ |

SPOUSE'S AGENT

| Name | Relationship | Instructions or Guidelines |
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| _____ | _____ | _____ |

Should decision-making authority be effective immediately on signing, or only if you were determined to lack capacity?

Client: Immediate Only if lack capacity Spouse: Immediate Only if lack capacity

Do you want to authorize your Financial Agent to make gifts on your behalf during any period of time you are incapacitated?

Client: Yes No Spouse: Yes No

Gifting Power Details: _____

HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVE: If you were unable to make decisions for yourself, who would you want to make decisions for you with regard to your medical treatment?

CLIENT'S AGENT

| Name | Relationship | Instructions or Guidelines |
|-------|--------------|----------------------------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |

SPOUSE'S AGENT

| Name | Relationship | Instructions or Guidelines |
|-------|--------------|----------------------------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |

Do you want to provide that the moment of your death not be unnecessarily prolonged by artificial means or measures? _____
Do you want to provide that your organs and tissues should be made available for transplant purposes? _____

DISTRIBUTIONS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AND SPECIFIC GIFTS

USE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY MEMORANDUM: Do you want to provide that your personal property will be distributed pursuant to a written list you may prepare later? Yes No

Any property not listed on the memorandum should be distributed to:

- FOR CLIENT:**
- Spouse, then children equally. Children
 - Spouse, then to balance of trust. To the balance of the trust.
 - Spouse, then other named individuals. Other named individuals. List on next line.

- FOR SPOUSE:**
- Spouse, then children equally. Children
 - Spouse, then to balance of trust. To the balance of the trust.
 - Spouse, then other named individuals. Other named individuals. List on next line.

SPECIFIC GIFTS: List any specific gifts of real estate or cash gifts you wish to make to either individuals or charities. Indicate whether these gifts are to be made even if the other spouse is alive.

FOR CLIENT:

| Individual or Charity | Amount or Property | Contingent on Spouse predeceasing? |
|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|
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FOR SPOUSE:

Individual or Charity

Amount or Property

Contingent on Client predeceasing?

DISTRIBUTION OF REMAINING TRUST PROPERTY: How will your remaining trust property be distributed? Please state your desires:

FOR CLIENT:

FOR SPOUSE (if different than above):

REMOTE CONTINGENT BENEFICIARY: Who do you want to receive your property in the remote event that no one listed above is alive to receive your property? Determining the remote contingent beneficiary is not so important that it should cause you to delay completion of your entire estate plan. It can always be changed at a later date.

In the remote event no one listed above is alive to receive my property I want my property distributed as follows:

- To each spouse's heirs-at-law.
- One-half to Client's heirs-at-law and one-half to Spouse's heirs at law.
- To the following named individuals and/or charities:

OTHER ITEMS TO INCLUDE OR DISCUSS: Obviously your estate plan should address all your hopes, fears, and wishes. Please list any other items you want included or want to discuss:
