



InSight Into Estate Planning Newsletter

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Simple Estate Planning for Your College Kids



It is a day most parents dream of (and dread) - their child makes the voyage into adulthood and heads off to college. Keep in mind, even though you may view your son or daughter as a child, in the eyes of the law, when they turn 18, they are a legal adult.

As a result, they need to have some essential estate planning documents in place.

An estate plan is critical since it provides directives on who will be appointed to make medical and financial decisions in the event your son or daughter is unable to do so. Obviously, this is a scenario no parent wants to contemplate, but it is better to be safe than sorry.

At InSightLaw, we make the process as simple and straightforward as possible to get your son or daughter set up with a basic estate plan. In fact, we offer clients a simple plan for their children who go to college in addition to a Docubank card allowing access to these documents online.

[Learn More About Estate Planning For Your College-Aged Kids Here](#)

Don't Wreck Your Loved One's Estate - Decedent Vehicle Titling and Insurance

When a loved one passes away, many family members do not think twice about driving the decedent's vehicle. With relatives and friends coming in from out of town, the vehicle is convenient to use and cheaper than a rental car. However, if an accident occurs, the entire estate of the decedent could be exposed to creditors. Both the titling of the vehicle and the car insurance policy need to be reviewed before any person drives the car anywhere.

In most situations, even the named executor is only able to drive the car to obtain maintenance such as inspections or oil changes. The executor should not drive the car for personal use. Even if an accident does not occur, if another individual drives the car for an extended period of time, they may be liable to future owner for diminishing the value of the property.

[Learn what steps need to be taken to update the title and auto insurance coverage on your loved one's vehicle here.](#)

InSight Law On the Cutting Edge of Estate Planning



During the past few months, InSight Law focused on technology to provide better and more efficient service options to our clients. Below is a summary and review of several of our new technology options:

Actionstep Portal: The firm has switched customer relationship management systems to Actionstep. They offer a client portal using Amazon Web Services infrastructure to provide a secure storage and exchange of documents between individual users and the firm. This allows clients the option of going "paperless" and reduces the need for mailing paper copies of documents and updates. We introduced the portal late last fall and have more than 20% of our clients already participating.

Directive Communication Systems (DCS): As a follow up to our [Digital Assets discussion in the last newsletter](#), we have explored providing an option to store, organize, and manage preferences for your digital assets like emails, websites, Facebook and other social media accounts, digital photos, music, and so forth. Users can choose to delete accounts, give access to certain helpers, memorialize account, etc. if they become disabled or pass away. This becomes incorporated with your estate planning documents to allow DCS the power to administer digital assets according to your preferences.

Docubank: Most of our clients already participate in our Docubank program. Docubank stores client's medical directives and emergency contact information, and allows medical providers and helpers 24/7 access. Docubank contact information, along with the client access information, is stored on a small card we recommend clients keep with their insurance cards. We also offer a similar program for clients who have minor children. The option for minor children provides the storage and access of emergency contact information and childcare powers of attorney when children are left under the care of others. Finally, Docubank offers an online safe, which gives the clients the option to store documents in the cloud and give access to their named helpers.

[Get the full update on all of our technology updates here.](#)



Help Us Create a New Slogan

Right now, Insight Law's slogan is *Your Estate Matters*. Since we're in a new year, we want to shake things up and create a new slogan. As valued clients, we want your feedback and suggestions. If you have a good idea, sent it to us via e-mail. **The winner will receive a prize!**

Email submissions to Newsha at nna@insightlaw.net.

Attend an InSight Event

Truth About Estate Planning (Morning Session)

Date: March 16, 2016

Time: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Location: InSightLaw's Ashburn Office

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Truth About Estate Planning (Evening Session)

Date: March 16, 2016

Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Location: InSightLaw's Ashburn Office

[Register Here](#)

Truth About Estate Planning (Evening Session)

Date: March 23, 2016

Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Location: InSightLaw's McLean Office

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