

Donald Law Office Newsletter

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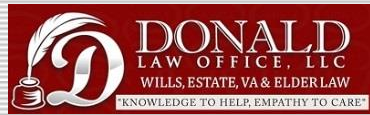
Compassion

Respect

Empathy

Diligence

Our Mission: To provide peace of mind to you and your loved ones.



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Newsletter

What is a Power of Attorney?

A Power of Attorney allows you appoint someone you trust to handle your financial affairs when you are not able to. For example, if you become sick or disabled, you will want to make sure your bills are still paid. You may be thinking, well my spouse and I take care of everything together, so if something happens to one of us, the other one will just handle everything while I recover. But what if something happens to BOTH you and your spouse at the SAME time? A correctly drafted Power of Attorney which designates successors will allow someone you trust to take care of your finances for you while BOTH you and your spouse recover!

If you do not have a Power of Attorney, your family may have to file a LAWSUIT with the court to get a guardianship over you so they can make sure your bills are paid. This is a PUBLIC COURT process which involves multiple LAWYERS and can cost THOUSANDS of dollars. A Power of Attorney costs about \$150.

It is also a good idea to make sure your Power of Attorney is current as the law changes from time to time. For example, in 2012, Ohio adopted the Uniform Power of Attorney Act. Now, Powers of Attorney are much longer and much more comprehensive. They allow for your Power of Attorney to essentially get done more of what you would want. The whole purpose for the Power of Attorney is for someone you trust to be able to get everything done for you that you would do yourself. Most previously drafted Powers of Attorney did not allow for everything to be done on your behalf; now, Ohio requires that they do.

At Donald Law Office, we guide you through your entire estate planning and long term care journey!

Upcoming Workshops

August 4, 2015

6:30 – 8:30 pm

Carroll Place

3682 Dolson Court NW

Carroll, OH 43112

September 11, 2015

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Reflections

2750 W Fair Ave

Lancaster, OH 43130

Monthly Update

It's August! That means children are back to school. This means budgeting for school clothes, supplies, and field trips. Ensure that if something happens to you, someone you trust will be able to take care of your finances for you. Get a Power of Attorney today!

Quote of the Month

“Love generously, care deeply, speak kindly, leave the rest to God.”
-Ronald Reagan

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