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## **Estate Planning Questionnaire – Single**

Confidential Client Communication

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Thank you for choosing Becker and House, PLLC, to assist you with your planning goals. The information you provide in this questionnaire will help you organize your personal and financial information so that we can properly assess your current situation and evaluate what estate planning documents can best serve your needs. The information requested in this form is necessary to provide you with proper advice and recommendations.

## **Estate Planning Process Overview:**

Whether you want a basic estate plan, or a more complicated estate or asset protection plan is needed, your personalized plan will most likely follow the outline below:

• <u>Initial Meeting</u>: Review and discuss your estate planning questionnaire and discuss the documents needed to meet your estate plan goals.

• <u>Review Meeting(s)</u>: Following your initial consultation, a review meeting is scheduled to review drafts of your estate plan documents and answer any questions or concerns that you might have.

• <u>Signing Meeting</u>: After you have approved your estate plan documents, we will sign them at this meeting. Your estate plan documents become legally effective when you sign them.

After you have signed your estate plan documents, our office will prepare document books containing your plan for your records. Document books are usually processed and forwarded to clients within two weeks.

Fees:	Next Appointment:
Hourly Rate: \$	Date:
Flat Fee: \$	Time:

# I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Legal Name	
Citizenship	
Birth Date	
County of Residence	
Address	
Mailing Address (if different)	
Phone	( ) -
Email	
Preferred Contact Method:	Phone Email
Referred by:	
Previously Married?	□Yes □No
Date of Marriage	
City and State	
Premarital Agreement?	□ Yes □ No
Postnuptial Agreement?	□ Yes □ No
Have you ever lived outside your current State of residence while married?	□ Yes □ No

II. CHILDREN

Please continue on the back of this page if necessary.

Children – Full Names and Addresses	Birth <u>Date</u>	Married <u>(Y/N)</u>	No. of <u>Children</u>
Child 1:	/ /		
Address:			
Phone:			
Spouse's Name:			
Child 2:	/ /		
Address:			
Phone:			
Spouse's Name:			
Child 3:			
Phone:			
Spouse's Name:			
Do you have any children that are deceased? Yes	No		
If yes, please complete the following:			
Child's Name:	Date of Death	:	
Does such deceased child have living descend	dants? If yes, please	e list below:	
Name: A	ge:		
Address:			
<u>Distribution plan among children, specific goals, e</u>	to		
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## **III. SIBLINGS** Please continue on the back of this page if necessary.

<u>Sibling(s)</u>		
Sibling 1:		
City & State:		
Sibling 2:		
City & State:		
Sibling 3:		
City & State:		
Do you have any siblings that are de	ceased? Yes No	
If yes, please complete the following	:	
Sibling's Name:	Date of Death:	
Does such deceased sibling ha	ve living descendants? If yes, please list be	elow:
Name:	Age:	
Address:		
	IV. PARENTS	
Parents' Names	Living/ <u>Deceased Age</u>	<u>City &amp; State</u>
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## V. ADVISORS

Accountant			( ) -
-	Name	Firm	Phone
Life Insurance			
Professional			( ) -
	Name	Firm	Phone
Investment Advisor/			
Stock Broker			_( ) -
-	Name	Firm	Phone
Private Banker/			
Trust Officer			( ) -
	Name	Firm	Phone
Brimany Physician			( )
Primary Physician			() -
	Name	Firm	Phone

If you do not currently have one of the above professional advisors, would you like a recommendation? If so, please list for which professional advisor(s) you need a recommendation:

## VI. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

If you are able to, please bring current financial statements with this questionnaire to our meeting.

#### Approximate Value of Estate (with brief description):

#### Real Estate: Please be sure to bring all current deeds for the property listed below.

List	the location, name(s) on title, and use (primary residence, second residence, rental property, vacant).	Estimated Value:
1.		\$
2.		\$
3.		\$
4.		\$
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#### Checking Accounts, Savings Accounts, Money Market Funds, CDs:

Institution, name(s	) on account(s), held as joint or separate	?
1		Account #

2.	Account #:	5
3.	Account #:	5
4.	Account #:	;

Estimated Balance:

Estimated Balance:

Estimated Value:

\$

#### Investment and Brokerage Accounts:

Institution, name(s) on account(s), held as joint or separate?

1.	Account #: \$	
2.	Account #:	j
3.	Account #:	j
4.	Account #:	;

#### Individual Retirement Accounts:

Institution, owner, beneficiary, type (traditional or Roth).

1.	Account #:	\$
2.	Account #:	\$
3.	Account #:	\$
4.	Account #:	\$

#### Pension, Profit Sharing, or Stock Bonus Plans; Other Retirement Plans:

Employer, employee, beneficiary, type (e.g., 401(k), Profit Sharing). Estimated Value: \_\_\_\_ 1. \_\_\_\_\_ Account #: \$ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ Account #: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Account #:\_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ \$\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Account #: \$

Face Value/Death Benefit:

Estimated Value:

\$

#### Life Insurance Policies:

Institution, name of insured, owner and beneficiary, type (e.g., term or whole life), cash value (if any).

1.	Account #:	\$
2.	Account #:	\$
3.	Account #:	\$
4.	Account #:	\$

#### Closely held Stock/LLC Interests/ LP Interests:

Busine	ess entity owned, name(s) on certificate(s), # of shares or % owned.	Estimated Value:
1		\$
2.		\$
3.		\$
4.		\$

#### Other/Miscellaneous Assets of Significant Value (over \$20,000):

Automobiles, recreational vehicles, boats, household furnishings, collections, etc.

1.	\$
2.	\$
3.	\$
4.	\$
5.	\$
6.	\$

#### Debts, Loans and Other Obligations to Third Parties:

Payee and description.	Amount Owed:	
1		(\$
2		(\$
3		(\$
ł		(\$
5.		(\$
6.		(\$
	Approximate net worth (Total assets less debts and loans):	\$

#### Approximate annual net income:

If any of the previously-mentioned assets meet any of the following criteria, please list the asset and whom (husband or wife) acquired and currently has title to property:

Acquired by gift, devise, bequest or inheritance:						

#### VII. BACKGROUND QUESTIONS You may wait to complete this section with your attorney at your meeting.

- 1. Do you have any pets and if so, would you like a provision in your documents addressing their care after your death?
- 2. Are you the beneficiary or trustee of any trust(s)?
- 3. Are either of you subject to any divorce or other court decree(s) or agreement(s) limiting your estate planning choices?
- 4. Do you plan on providing for a beneficiary with special needs?

# SPECIAL OBJECTIVES, REQUESTS, PROVISIONS, GIFTS, OR OTHER INFORMATION THAT YOU WISH TO ADD (IF ANY):

## **VIII. FIDUCIARY AND DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION**

<b>TRUSTEE:</b> Who should be the trustee(s) of the trust(s) (for surviving spouse, children, etc.)?					
1st Choice:	City/State:				
2nd Choice:	City/State:				
3rd Choice:	City/State:				
<b>PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:</b> Who should administer your estate?					
1st Choice:	City/State:				
2nd Choice:	City/State:				
3rd Choice:	City/State:				
FINANCIAL AGENT: Who should manage your financial affairs if you become incapacitated?					
1st Choice:	City/State:				
2nd Choice:	City/State:				
3rd Choice:	City/State:				
HEALTH CARE AGENT: Who should make medical decisions for	r you if you become incapacitated?				
1st Choice:	City/State:				
2nd Choice:	City/State:				
3rd Choice:	City/State:				
<b>INCOMPETENCY:</b> Who should determine whether you have become incapacitated, if necessary?					
1st Choice:	City/State:				
2nd Choice:	City/State:				
3rd Choice:	City/State:				
<b>GUARDIAN:</b> If both parents die, with whom should your minor children live (as "Guardian")?					
1st Choice:	City/State:				
2nd Choice:	City/State:				
3rd Choice:	City/State:				

**ULTIMATE DISTRIBUTION:** If both of you, your children, and your grandchildren die in a common disaster, to which individuals and/or charities do you want your property distributed and in what shares?

**PETS:** If you now own pets, or may own pets in the future, I encourage you to consider including a "pet provision" in your Will and/or Trust. You must designate a Primary Caretaker and, if desired, one or more Successor Caretakers to care for your pet(s). You may also want to designate a monetary distribution to go to the Caretaker to be used for the care, feeding, and veterinary services for the lifetime of your pet(s).

<u>Primary Caretaker for Pet(s)</u>: You may designate different Caretakers for each type of pet you own if you would like (i.e. cat, dog, etc.).

Name:	City/State:	Pet(s):				
Name:	City/State:	Pet(s):				
Successor Caretaker for Pet(s):						
Name:	City/State:	Pet(s):				
Name:	City/State:	Pet(s):				
Monetary Distribution for Pet(s):						
Amount per Pet: <u>\$</u>						

## IX. DOCUMENTS TO BRING WITH YOU

We can make copies at our meeting.

- □ This Questionnaire.
- A hard copy of any existing Wills, Financial Powers of Attorney, Health Care Powers of Attorney, Living Wills, Trusts, or any other estate planning documents that you have.
- A hard copy of any deeds to real property owned by you or your existing Trust(s).
- A hard copy of all current, relevant financial account statements.
- A hard copy of any Community Property Agreements, Premarital Agreements, or Postnuptial Agreements that you have signed.
- A hard copy of any Divorce Decrees or Agreements to which you are or have been a party.
- A hard copy of any "Buy-Sell" Agreements that you have signed (shareholder, partnership, and/or operating agreements, etc.).
- A hard copy of your most recent gift tax return (if any).

