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10 Ways to Prevent a Family Dispute Over Inheritance

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A complete estate plan does not simply provide for moving assets from one generation to the next. A complete estate plan will focus on the enlightened dreams that you have for the next generations and the people that you wish them to be even if you are not here to guide them. A complete estate plan will

also seek to mitigate, resolve or plan to address any concerns, worries and fears that you may have for the next generation.

Many of us worry about creditors, predators, in-laws and out-laws and how they may derail your hopes and dreams for the next generation. We worry about the later behavior of the spouses, children or heirs of the next generation. Some even worry that the receipt of the inheritance itself at an inappropriate time can have a negative effect on our children or other heirs. This can all lead to conflict between our children or other heirs. Conflict results in, at best, a financial drain on the estate and may frustrate the financial and other goals that you may have for your children or heirs. Worse still, conflict can produce fractures and ill will between the family members that may never be resolved.

Careful planning should be finely tuned to the family dynamics and to the nature or character of the assets held. The following tips may help you minimize the potential for disputes or conflicts between your heirs after you are gone... [READ ON](#)

JOIN ME ON OCTOBER 1 Sac Century Challenge

What are you doing on Saturday, October 1st? Please ride with me (or relax in the comfort of your own home and let me do the cycling for both of us!). [LEARN MORE](#)

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THANK
YOU,
JERRY
RICE!



While visiting San Francisco recently, I noticed an exceedingly large Championship ring worn by a patron at the next table. Mr. Jerry Rice was gracious, friendly, and provided a picture and autograph for my son. We saw him play in a 49er game in years past and are both very big fans.

THOUGHTS
OF THE DAY

“When you are stressed you eat ice cream, cake, chocolate and sweets. Why? Because



Friends, please join me with the Rotary Club of Sacramento Foundation and the Sacramento Children's Home to fundraise for the 9th annual Sac Century Challenge. The Sac Century Challenge will be held on **Saturday, October 1st** beginning and ending on Capitol Mall in Downtown Sacramento. This event is the Sacramento region's premier cycling event to benefit the Sacramento Children's Home Crisis Nursery and the local kids and families they serve.

The Sacramento Children's Home operates the Crisis Nursery, and its mission is to prevent child abuse and neglect by providing support to families in times of crisis. I'm a huge fan of this organization, because it protects our communities' most vulnerable children by offering a safe, supportive environment. The Crisis Nursery provides free, 24-hour emergency child care for children from birth to age five, reduces incidents of child abuse, decreases family violence by offering

***"stressed"
spelled backwards
is desserts"***

— Unknown

***"We are not all in
the same boat. We
are in the same
storm. Some have
yachts, some have
canoes, and some
are drowning. Just
be kind and help
whoever you can."***

— Damian Barr

***"Never get so
busy making a
living that you
forget to make a
life."***

— Dolly Parton

***"Never be afraid to
try something new.
Remember,
amateurs built the
Ark, professionals
built the Titanic."***

— Unknown

***"Leadership is all
about people. It is
not about
organizations. It is
not about plans. It
is about
strategies. It is all
about people-
motivating people
to get the job
done. You have to
be people-
centered."***

— Collin Powell

a safe place for children, spares children from trauma and strengthens families.

I'm connecting with you today and asking for your help in support of the tireless work the Sacramento Children's Home does day in and day out. You can help in one or both of two ways. First, you can ride with me on the day of the event to help raise awareness & funds and or you can ride with me in spirit by supporting me on my donations page.

Team up with me to ride and/or donate on my page!

[JOIN ME OR DONATE NOW](#)

I look forward to riding with you (or for the both of us) on Saturday, October 1, 2022.

Inclusion in the 2023 Edition of Best Lawyers in America

In mid-August our office received a letter that got everyone here excited, and I'd like to share a copy of the letter with you. To me this letter is more than an award, it's the acknowledgement of the positive effort our team puts into the work we do for all of our clients. We've earned this recognition in Tax & Estate Planning since 2020. We're looking forward to getting our new Best Lawyers 2023 badge and logo sometime in October.



Dear John M. Goralka,

Congratulations! I am pleased to share that you have been chosen to be

recognized in the 29th edition of The Best Lawyers in America® for your high caliber work in Tax Law and Trusts and Estates.

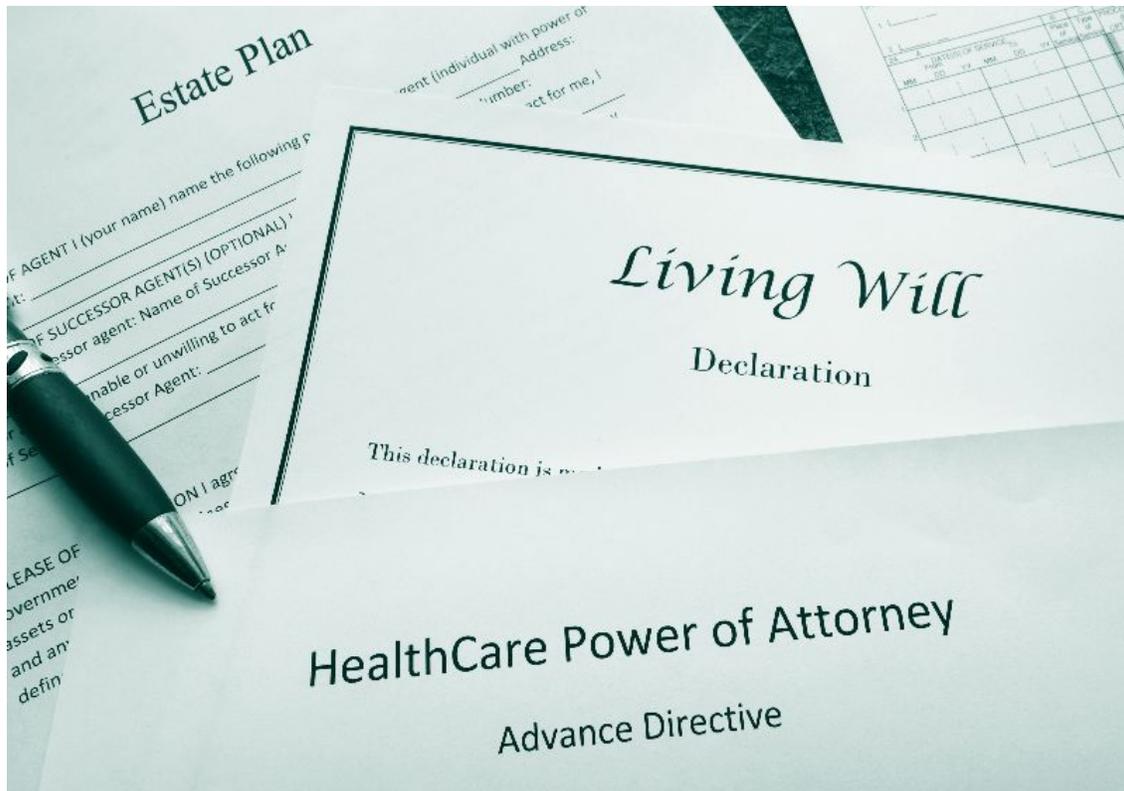
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Again, congratulations. We are honored to include you as one of our esteemed colleagues.

Is Your Estate Plan Truly Complete? by Attorney, John M. Goralka

Courtesy of Kiplinger



In addition to your monetary assets, you should consider what "value legacy" you plan on leaving to your heirs.

For an estate plan to be truly effective and do more than simply move money and assets from one generation to the next, it must accomplish three basic goals: 1) ensure that you are actually leaving your assets to those you designate; 2) make certain those assets are received at the right time to maximize their lifetime benefits; and 3) protect your legacy from being lost to creditors, predatory lawsuits, divorce, government claims or secondary estate tax. In addition to protecting your legacy throughout your beneficiaries' lifetimes, and perhaps for future generations as well, an effective estate plan also... [READ ON](#)

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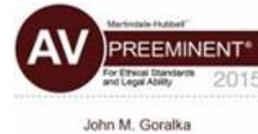
"Goralka Law Firm, always stayed in contact, always patient and articulate in his answers to my unending questions. Very thorough. I had no idea how to navigate through the fraudulent acts committed by the Head of Trust, I felt like I was cast into an arena of chaos." —Brian K.

"I hired Goralka Law Firm and they took it from there. They were able to put things in order and articulately explain it to me. They were professional and took over expeditiously and accurately. If I ever had questions, I could call them directly. I always received a quick response back if they were not available." —Charity L.

"I have used John's services to assist with several matters for me and my family. John's work was professionally excellent and he always took the time to make sure that we understood what would need to be done and that we were comfortable with all the details. In addition to being an expert in his field, John has a great sense of compassion and humor which helps when you are dealing with serious topics like probate, wills and trusts! If you are in need of assistance in any of John's practice areas, he will serve you very well. I would recommend him without hesitation to friends and family requiring legal services." —Martin K.

Also, thanks to all of our clients for their business and referrals over the years. Reviews like these are a reminder about why we do what we do and reaffirms that we are not simply just preparing legal documents, but we're cultivating relationships and really helping families and their loved ones with transformational changes for generations to come.

If you are a client with The Goralka Law Firm, we encourage you to take the time to leave us some feedback and a review online at one (or more) of the following:



RECIPE OF THE MONTH: Raspberry Peach Sherbet

Naturally colored (no weird food dyes), takes only minutes to prepare (no fancy ice cream machine), and so delicious!

INGREDIENTS

- 3-4 cups frozen peach slices
- 1 cup sweetened condensed milk
- 1/2 cup fresh orange juice
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 4 cups frozen raspberries

DIRECTIONS

1. In a blender, purée the peaches with 1/2 cup sweetened condensed milk, 1/4 cup orange juice, and 1 tablespoon lemon juice, scraping down the sides as needed until smooth and creamy. Spoon into a bowl and place in



the freezer while you make the raspberry.

2. In the same blender, purée the raspberries with 1/2 cup sweetened condensed milk, 1/4 cup orange juice, and 1 tablespoon lemon juice until smooth and creamy.
3. Alternating scoops, scoop both the peach and raspberry sherbet into a 9x5 inch loaf pan. Then, use a spoon to gently swirl the two together in 2-3 strokes. Cover and freeze until firm, at least 6 hours.

Notes

To Freeze Your Own Peaches and Raspberries: slice the peaches and if desired peel them (I like to leave the skin on). Arrange the peaches on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper and freeze 4 hours or overnight. Do the same with the raspberries. Use as directed in the recipe.

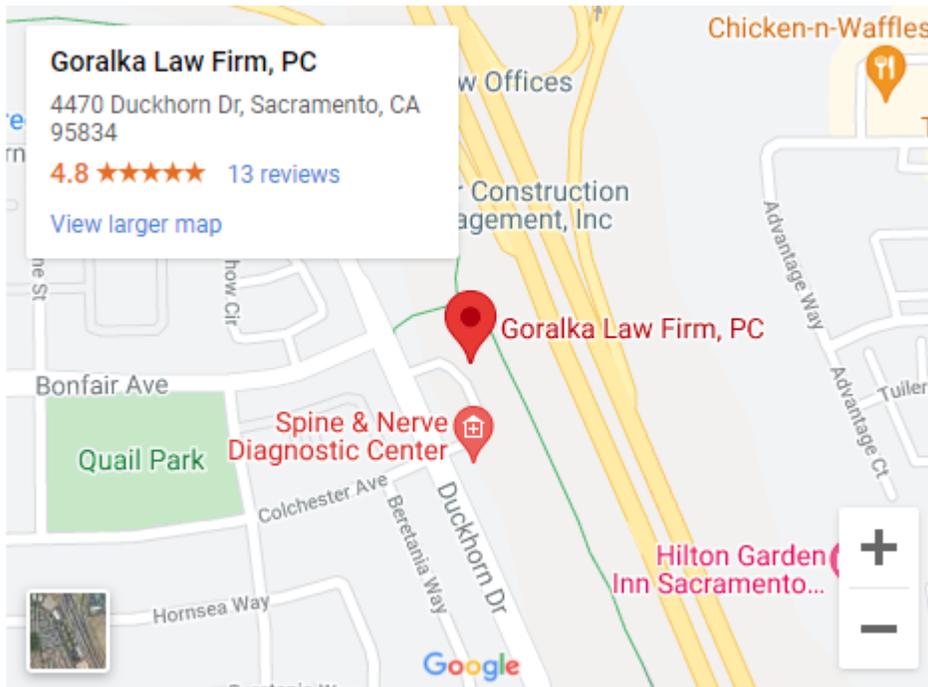
Enjoy! 😊

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