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FOURTEEN COMMON REASONS TO DO ESTATE PLANNING

Hello fellow residents of Bow and surrounding areas. I hope this writing finds you to be well given how the last year of our combined lives have been impacted, in one way or another, by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The last year is certainly a concrete illustration that things don't always go as we plan. We don't get to choose when bad things will happen, to include disability or death. It is a reminder to us all that the best time to plan is now, right now, if we want to control what happens if we should become disabled or worse.

With the massive ongoing effort to vaccinate our citizens, some of us are now starting to believe that life will move forward, which means that we should move forward with planning for the future.

If you have been thinking about your future in the contexts of estate planning and asset protection, below are reasons for doing so.

1. Designate who will manage your affairs if you become disabled and when you pass away.
2. Plan for Medicaid and its impact on your estate if you must go into a nursing home.
3. Avoid probate, during your lifetime and when you pass away.
4. Protect children from prior marriage if you pass away first, or even if you do not.
5. Protect assets inherited by your heirs from lawsuits, divorces, and other claims.

6. Impose discipline upon children (and/ or grandchildren) that may not be capable or experienced in managing money or have substance abuse issues.
7. Provide for special needs/disabled children and grandchildren.
8. Ensure that a specific portion of your estate gets to grandchildren, charities, etc.
9. Protect a portion of your estate if you pass away first and your surviving spouse remarries.
10. Address different needs of different children.
11. Prevent or discourage challenges to your estate plan.
12. Reward/encourage heirs who make smart life decisions and prevent the depletion of your estate from those who do not make smart choices.
13. Assure an education for children/grandchildren, despite what they (or their parents) dream of doing with the inheritance.
14. "Brady-Bunch" family estate planning: assure the stepparent does not spend your children's inheritance and/or provide for a spouse without sacrificing the intended legacy for the children of a prior marriage.

If you have been considering creating or amending your estate plan, then I earnestly encourage you to contact us to set up a time for a good conversation.

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TOWN OF BOW PUBLIC NOTICE

New Hampshire law requires that the Supervisors of the Checklist verify the checklist every ten years. Any person on the checklist who has not voted in the past four years must re-register to remain on the checklist. The Supervisors are sending notice letters to these voters at the address the voter provided when registering.

The Supervisors of the Checklist for the Town of Bow will hold a session for reregistering voters who have not voted since April 1, 2017, accepting applications for new voter registration and accepting requests for the correction of the checklist on:

Date: Tuesday, April 20, 2021 Time: 7:00 am – 6 pm



Location: Bow Community Center, 3 Bow Center Rd.

Applicants for registration who possess proof of their identity, age, citizenship, and domicile should bring that proof when they come to register. Qualified applicants who do not possess proof or who do not bring proof with them may still register if they sign an affidavit attesting to their qualifications for identity, age, and citizenship, and/or domicile.



PAWS FOR COMPASSION BRUNCH A VIRTUAL EVENT!

SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2021 AT 11:00 am

Emcee: NH Humorist / Storyteller - Rebecca Rule
Live Entertainment: Comedian / Musician - Don White

One ticket purchase gives you access to the full event from any electronic device. Enjoy our event with host Rebecca Rule, get a sneak peek of behind the scenes at the shelter, hear about our exciting new project and end with an exclusive live performance with comedian/musician Don White!

**To register and purchase tickets please go to our website at:
www.popememorialsPCA.org/animal-brunch**



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