

Know it before you need it...

Essential Documents

Basic Legal Documents We All Need



- Wills & Trusts
- Advance Directives
- Powers of Attorney
- Bequests
- Disposition of Remains

Age has nothing to do with it. Everyone needs to have these essential documents in place. While preparing these documents on your own may be an option, find out whether that option will be right for you, your family and your descendants. Information on the Internet, for example, may not be valid in Washington State. Join this live, informative workshop online or by telephone. Presenter for this event is Attorney Linda Lysne: Estate and Trust Planning, Probate & Trust Administration and Elder Law.

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Workshop Provides Guidance on Essential Legal Documents

The saying goes, “Lack of preparation on your part does not require a crisis on my part.” Yet many Americans have failed to prepare the most essential legal documents – Will, Power of Attorney and Advance Directives for Finances and Health Care. Spouses or families are often left to make many decision without the expressed wishes of their loved one.

Forbes magazine reports that 51% of Americans age 55 to 64 don’t have Wills. Worse, 62% of those age 45 to 54 — and 67% of women that age — haven’t drafted Wills. It is also reported that 64% of the public in general doesn’t have a Will. Figures for Powers of Attorney and Advance Directives are no better.

“Every day people have tragic accidents or die unexpectedly,” said Aaron Van Valkenburg, Manager of Pierce County Aging & Disability Resources. “At that point families start asking themselves what they should do and what their family member would want done. Without specific documents at hand, actions will be taken and questions will linger.”

The live workshop will be offered twice in August both online and by telephone:

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Creating a Will and reviewing it regularly is sage advice. But more and more people are also deciding to place their property in a Trust. Doing that depends on many personal factors. Equally important is to create Advance Directives, written instructions about future medical care in case in the event you are unable to express your medical wishes. In addition, designating another person, or persons, as Power of Attorney for Healthcare and/or Finances takes careful thought and conversation.

The presenter for the workshops will be Attorney Linda Lysne, Estate and Trust Planning, Probate & Trust Administration and Elder Law. It is sponsored by the Pierce County Aging and Disability Resource Center. The presentations are free. No RSVP is required. A recording of the presentations will be available after the even on the ADRC website – www.PierceADRC.org. For more information call (253) 798-4600.

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