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### **Estate Planning**

### **Estate Planning is Important**

Takes care of people who count on you

Tax efficient distribution of your assets

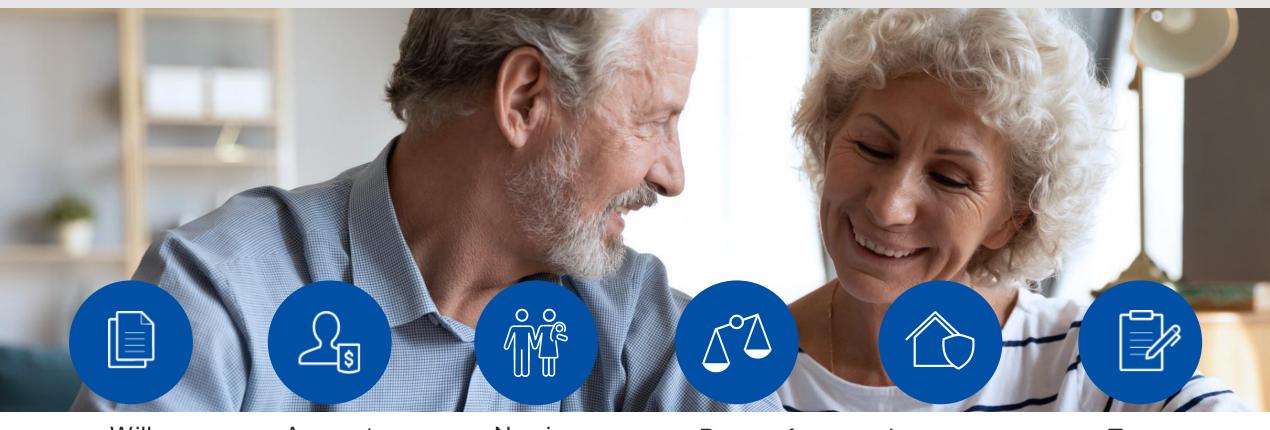
Minimizes cost and effort

Can help reduce family conflict



## Components of Estate Planning

**Key Elements** 



Will

Account Ownership Naming beneficiaries on registered accounts

Power of Attorney

Insurance

**Trusts** 





### Joint Ownership

### with Right of Survivorship

- Assets pass directly to surviving joint owner
- By-pass probate

# Naming beneficiaries and successors



# Registered Accounts and Life Insurance

Assets pass directly to beneficiaries or successors

By-pass probate

### The Will Is Not the Only Important Document



## Enduring Power of Attorney for Property

A legal document giving someone you trust the power to make decisions regarding your property if you should be unable to do so because of mental or physical incapacity.



#### Power of Attorney for Personal Care

A legal document giving someone you trust the power to make decisions regarding your personal care if you should be unable to do so because of mental or physical incapacity.

Letter of Intent or Wishes

### Trusts

### Two Main Types of Trusts

- Testamentary Trust
- Inter-Vivos Trust



# The Importance of Estate Planning



## Making an 'uncomfortable' conversation easier

#### Consider Estate Planning:

- A way to preserve your values as well as your valuables for future generations
- Part of a comprehensive financial plan
- Ongoing review to keep up-to-date



Thank you for your time!



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