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About Estate Planning

Finally, an Estate Planning Guide for Californians Every Californian's Guide to Estate Planning helps you understand the basics of leaving money and property to loved ones and charities, and naming a guardian for children—with a special focus on issues unique to California, like: how community property rules affect inheritance and taxes how to minimize capital gains for those inheriting high value real estate legal and tax rules that apply to non-citizens and U.S. permanent residents important issues for international guardians, trustees, and executors how to understand the impact of "Prop 19," and make sure your heirs don't lose a low ("Prop 13") property tax rate, and how to avoid California's slow and expensive probate system through options such as transfer-on-death deeds. With Downloadable Worksheets Includes access to essential worksheets that help you get started on writing a will, preparing a trust, choosing a guardian, leaving money to kids, naming beneficiaries, choosing agents for your health care directive and power of attorney for finances, doing a personal inventory, and more. details inside. "Patti Spencer has learned everything there is to know on this subject and has written down a good bit of it in this book. This is a tremendous help to individuals as they try to sort out their estate and tax planning needs." - Matthew J. Creme, Jr. Partner at Nikolaus & Hohenadel LLP, Former President of the PA Bar Association "When it comes to estate planning and tax law, there's simply no one better than Patti Spencer. She demystifies estate planning in a way that is accessible for all. Known for her no nonsense style and humor, this book is a must-have for anyone making their estate plans or just trying to understand the process." - Samuel Bressi, President & CEO of Lancaster County Community Foundation "I have read Patti Spencer's newspaper column on a weekly basis for several

years now, and never tire of learning more about estate planning and tax law. Patti manages to take complicated issues and reduce them to their simplest form." - David Griffith, Former Business Editor at Intelligencer Journal

We don't intend to neglect our estate and financial plans, but it is so easy to be overwhelmed with conflicting financial advice. Your Estate Matters will bring clarity to those pesky, rapidly changing tax laws and will provide you with the accurate information you need to properly manage your estate. Your Estate Matters offers a practical down-to-earth approach that explains the ins and outs of estate planning, tax savings, and other issues that directly affect your family's pocketbook: income tax, living wills, trusts, prenuptial agreements, college savings, and retirement planning. If you want to stay ahead of the curve, are ready to plan your own estate, have aging parents, or have recently retired, this is the book you need to read. This Nutshell presents an introduction to estate planning. Subjects covered include the transfer of property at death at will under the intestate law, survivor interests, community property, and "simple" wills. Addresses insurance, estates arising from status, Social Security, pensions, workers' compensation, and veterans benefits. Discusses charitable trusts, the rule in Shelley's case, the Doctrine of Worthier Title, the Rule Against Perpetuities, and the Rule Against Accumulations. Also addresses fiduciary administration and federal estate and gift taxes. Targeting parents in second marriages who want to provide for their current spouse and their children from both marriages, the author provides sample estate plans and covers such topics as estate and gift taxes in a second marriage, choosing executors and trustees, the latest federal and state laws, and much more. 15,000 first printing. Original. What happens to your estate after you are gone is very much within your control. Estate planning is not only for the wealthy; it is for

everyone. It is simply the process of deciding where your assets are to be distributed after your death. For those people who wish to preserve their assets for designated purposes --- such as family or special charities --- it becomes necessary to make special advance preparations. The right plan can protect the value of your estate and spare your loved ones unnecessary hassles and legal conflicts. The Complete Guide to Planning Your Estate in Washington will help you glide through this complicated process. This new book has been adapted to offer Washington residents state-specific advice for estate planning. Author Linda C. Ashar, attorney at law, has crafted an estate-planning primer, allowing Washington residents to become more informed and more involved during the process. Washington-specific information is offered throughout this book, including Washington's probate code; Washington rules, regulations, and laws specific to estate planning elements of a valid Washington will; planning your living will in Washington; and explanations of Washington laws regarding durable health care power of attorney, do-not-resuscitate (DNR) orders, and directives to withhold CPR. This book's easy-to-understand context clarifies this complicated and sensitive subject and gives readers the power to take control of their futures. "Estate Planning for Women Only" is written exclusively for women by an estate & asset protection planning attorney, Jeffrey M. Verdon. Estate planning for the woman is extremely important and often overlooked or ignored at their peril. "Estate Planning for Women Only" covers both the basics a woman must know in planning her estate, and more advanced aspects of wealth transfer, estate tax reduction and asset protection for those with larger estates and more complex issues. It is a fact that over 90% of women will at some point in their lives be solely responsible for their finances, making estate planning an essential topic for women. This booklet empowers women to

become knowledgeable of the pertinent issues women should know about estate planning and how to prevent the pitfalls of a poorly planned estate. Covers everything from the basics about wills and living trusts to sophisticated tax-saving strategies for all estates, large and small. Protect your family with solid estate planning Estate planning sounds difficult—but most people just need a few basic documents. Let Plan Your Estate show you how to protect your loved ones from legal hassles and financial uncertainty after your death. Learn about: wills and living trusts avoiding probate bypass (AB) trusts naming guardians for children leaving property to children estate, gift, and inheritance taxes strategies for business owners leaving property to charity health care directives, and financial powers of attorney. The 14th edition of Plan Your Estate is completely updated to reflect the latest state and federal laws, including the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017. Applies in all U.S. states except Louisiana. The first and still the very best text on elder law, Tax, Estate & Financial Planning for the Elderly covers every aspect of elder law practice. Topics covered include: • Health (Medicare, Medicaid, advance health care directives, long-term care, nursing homes) • Financial (income, estate and gift taxes, pensions, financial planning, estate planning, property management) • Government Benefits (Social Security, SSI, veterans' benefits) • Personal (housing, elder abuse, guardianship) • Practical Advice for the Attorney (client relationships, ethical considerations) Rely on expert legal analysis to explain all the significant issues and resolve the intricate problems that arise in this evolving area of practice. Professional guidance from top experts Rebecca C. Morgan, past President of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys, and David M. English, a leading estate planning authority, helps you anticipate your clients' requirements and plan for their future. Every chapter begins with common

client questions, followed by comprehensive legal analysis, including detailed planning notes, examples, and practical advice. This volume analyzes all relevant case law and legislation and explains the numerous and often complex administrative steps required to achieve the client's goals. The volume is national in scope, and includes state-specific discussions of significant deviations from the federal rules. Convenient cross-references to Tax, Estate & Financial Planning for the Elderly: Forms & Practice, the companion forms set, lead to sample forms and checklists for every practice need. Tax, Estate & Financial Planning for the Elderly offers simple, direct guidance through the myriad regulations, forms, and agencies encountered in an elder law practice. Expert commentary offers easy-to-find, easy-to-understand answers to common elder law questions, and practice notes highlight key practice tips. Discover the ins and outs of planning your own or your loved one's last wishes with this easy-to-understand guide to estate planning. No one likes to talk about death, but being prepared for any unexpected tragedy can help your loved ones navigate your loss more easily in the long run. From creating your advanced medical directives to designating your beneficiaries, estate planning can ensure that your wishes are carried out when you are no longer around. With Estate Planning 101, you can get your affairs in order before any unfortunate incident occurs. This easy-to-understand guide comes with detailed information on what needs to be done to protect your estate. With information on creating a living will, minimizing estate taxes, choosing an executor, and more, you will be prepared for the future, no matter what it brings. Estate Planning 101 offers you step-by-step instructions and checklists to keep you organized for whatever life throws your way. Make plans for the future of your unique family! Every family is different, and blended families -- defined as those with children from

previous marriages or couplings included -- can be even more difficult to plan for. When dealing with complicated family situations, cookie-cutter estate plans just don't work! Estate planning can be difficult as the subject matter can seem complex for non-lawyers, and family members can be hesitant to clearly voice their opinions on touchy matters. However, planning the future of your family's estate is crucial for the emotional and financial well-being and stability of all family members, and having everything in order will bring invaluable peace of mind. Estate Planning for Blended Families outlines estate planning specifically for blended families, addressing the special concerns and issues that may arise from the process in this very special of circumstances. By providing various examples of different blended families, L. Paul Hood, Jr. gives advices and focuses on techniques of estate planning for blended families in many different situations. Whether you are a member of a blended family looking to plan your estate or an attorney looking for advice, this book can help you move forward with confidence. This book includes a CD-ROM full of supplemental resources and helpful tools to better plan your family's estate. This new First Edition, Updated for 2013, includes all of the most current estate and gift tax amounts and exemptions resulting from the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012. Amounts are updated throughout the book in the examples, practitioner's pointers, client situations, end-of-chapter review questions and all learning content. In a common-sense guide that cuts through the legal complexities, an attorney offers a step-by-step breakdown of the process of estate planning, addressing such topics as how to gather essential records, establish the value of an estate, set up a living trust, lower estate taxes, prepare a Living Will, and more. Original. Stepping Lightly Around the Pitfalls of Estate Planning... Estate planning is one of those unpleasant but really

important tasks. Unfortunately, the process is not only hard to get started, it is then easy to make mistakes. Even the most careful and well-intentioned person can slip up along the way. Avoid the pitfalls! The 50 Biggest Estate Planning Mistakes outlines the major mistakes and their consequences in an entertaining way-and then proceeds to tell you exactly how to avoid these mistakes. Delivering practical and helpful information in a light tone, the authors help to make these sometimes difficult conversations a little easier. The book's fifty concise chapters are filled with real-life examples, organized under four key areas of mistakes: The biggest mistake of not planning at all Failing to plan for the possibility of mental incompetency Mistakes made during the estate planning process itself And common mistakes made by executors Written by personal finance and estate planning experts, Jean Blacklock and Sarah Kruger, The 50 Biggest Estate Planning Mistakes and How To Avoid Them is an essential guide for Canadians interested in planning their estates effectively, with minimal stress on their loved ones. With the explosive growth in international investments, more and more lawyers and financial advisors realize the acute need to properly address critical issues of international estate planning for their clients. Whether you are counseling a foreign national or an American citizen, whether your practice is in the U.S. or abroad, whether you want to develop a general expertise in the area or are confronted by these issues on a more frequent basis, this compendium is a necessary and practical resource to help you identify and navigate many of the complex planning and regulatory compliance issues, both legal and tax, involved in international estate planning. In addition to providing a complete overview of the basic principles and procedures of international asset management from addressing the conflict of laws issues that are central in determining which country s

laws will govern the disposition of a donor or decedent's wealth to the basic transfer tax rules for nonresident aliens, U.S. citizens, and resident aliens. A Guide to International Estate Planning teaches proven strategies, techniques, and practical applications to use for meeting your clients' international estate planning needs. Twenty-two detailed chapters are written by trust and estate lawyers with significant experience in international issues. Their advice goes beyond simply highlighting issues in estate planning, emphasizing key issues as compliance, treaty, choice of law, and estate administration problems. This updated edition now includes chapters on FATF and anti-money laundering and offshore compliance, as well as chapters from several foreign jurisdictions to provide comparative insights on different topics." We get it. You know that you need an Estate Plan. However, it is a scary, expensive, and confusing process. You don't know where to start, whom to go to, and what needs to be done. What have you done up to the point? Nothing correct? You are not alone. A survey done by internet law firm Rocket Lawyer found that 51% of Americans age 35-50 do not even have a simple will. The scarier statistic is that 65% of baby boomers do not have a basic Estate Plan. So where do you start? If you look at some of the other books available that are written by lawyers and legal services, look more like a legal textbook than a helpful guide. That is where this book differs. Written by veteran Financial Planner and author Jeff Kikel, this book takes you through the Estate Planning process in a simple and direct way that you can understand and implement. Jeff shares stories from his past clients, the mistakes that were made and how you can implement strategies to avoid these mistakes on your own. In this book you will learn: *What an Estate Plan is so you can implement this without confusion, which means your family will be protected.*The Five Components of an Estate Plan that you

need to have which means you will be protected from most of the legal risks that you can encounter.* How to find an Attorney that will help you correctly complete this plan which means you can trust that the documents and estate plan process are done correctly the first time. * How to prepare for your appointment so that you are prepared for your appointment and will not feel stupid.* How to have a meeting with your family so that you can communicate your plan with them, avoiding hard feelings and miscommunication. If you are looking for a book to guide you through the process of estate planning, this is the Ultimate Guide to help you through the process The misconceptions surrounding the last will and testament need to be put to rest: Wills benefit lawyers. Trusts benefit you. Period. Too often lawyers sell wills to clients only to sit back and wait to sell their probate services to their client' s heirs. Modern estate planning should utilize the Living Trust as the effective, efficient, and inexpensive alternative to a will. Living Trusts for Everyone: Why a Will is Not the Way to Avoid Probate, Protect Heirs, and Settle explains why wills are not the best way to handle an estate and details the many advantages trusts have over wills in not only eliminating probate, but protecting your assets for your heirs. Anyone with minor children, disabled beneficiaries, blended families, or spendthrift heirs must have a trust to be sure the assets left behind are put to good use, and that your intentions are carried out. Lawyers may have vested interests in perpetuating the probate system, but this book will explain why legal services are not needed to do the clerical work in settling a trust after death. No legal jargon or confusing double-speak, just specific step-by-step instructions and sample form letters to settle a trust are included to take the mystery out of the process. This is not a do-it-yourself book and it doesn't try to cram every type of trust onto its pages. Living Trusts for Everyone explains in

specific terms what benefit a trust will have for you and gives you the tools to settle a loved one's trust with no lawyers and no expense. For those who already have a trust, there is a list of what to look for to see if your trust is any good, or if it needs to be updated. Trust seminars are examined with warnings on what to look out for in setting up your trust. Everyone who cares about what happens to their assets at death should read *Living Trusts for Everyone: Why a Will is Not the Way to Avoid Probate, Protect Heirs, and Settle!* Allworth Press, an imprint of Skyhorse Publishing, publishes a broad range of books on the visual and performing arts, with emphasis on the business of art. Our titles cover subjects such as graphic design, theater, branding, fine art, photography, interior design, writing, acting, film, how to start careers, business and legal forms, business practices, and more. While we don't aspire to publish a New York Times bestseller or a national bestseller, we are deeply committed to quality books that help creative professionals succeed and thrive. We often publish in areas overlooked by other publishers and welcome the author whose expertise can help our audience of readers. *The Practical Guide to Estate Planning (2022)* provides an overview of estate planning and covers a wide variety of principles and tools that range from simple to complex. The informative guide contains an extensive, well-annotated collection of forms and examples that appeal to new and experienced estate planners alike. It is published by Wolters Kluwer and is available for purchase in softcover format. *Features of Practical Guide to Estate Planning (2022)* *Practical Guide to Estate Planning (2022)* addresses the rules involved in estate planning and the various ways in which estates may be structured to help protect assets from taxation. The layout of this book reflects the authors' emphasis on simplicity and clarity. The book begins by providing a general overview of the estate planning

process, including the rules involved in estate planning and various ways in which estates may be structured to achieve desired tax effects. It then goes on to discuss gifts and specialized areas of estate planning, including generation-skipping transfer tax rules and charitable planning with the use of private foundations and split-interest trusts. At the end of Practical Guide to Estate Planning (2022), you will find an extensive collection of estate planning forms and examples that allow you to access the information you need quickly and conveniently. Some of these forms and examples include: Living trust Irrevocable life insurance trust Annual exclusion trust Pour-over will Will with outright dispositions Codicil Living will Charitable remainder unitrust Durable power of attorney Health care proxy Qualified personal residence trust (QPRT) Grantor retained annuity trust (GRAT) The library of forms and examples serves as a quick reference guide that explains why and how various estate planning tools are implemented. The authors provide comprehensive annotations and alternative drafting options throughout.

Benefits of Using Practical Guide to Estate Planning (2022)

With its wealth of information and impressive assortment of forms and supporting materials, this guide offers something of interest for every tax professional. Its clarity and organization, augmented by well-constructed examples, practice tips, diagrams, and charts, make it a work that will be useful to both the newcomer and tenured tax practitioner. It was written by a respected group of authors with extensive experience in the field, including: Ray D. Madoff, J.D., LL.M. Cornelia R. Tenney, J.D., LL.M. Martin A. Hall, J.D. Lisa Nalchajian Mingolla, J.D., LL.M. By using Practical Guide to Estate Planning (2022), you will gain a better understanding of knowing when and why a certain estate planning tool should be used. You will also be able to serve your clients more effectively and make use of the full spectrum of estate

planning tools available. Order Practical Guide to Estate Planning (2022) Today Wolters Kluwer interprets tax laws and provides tax and accounting professionals the best solutions possible to successfully navigate the ever-changing tax landscape. Order your copy online. Most Americans don't have a will. They avoid estate planning because they don't want to think about death or they think it's too complicated. But this easy-to-follow guide takes the mystery out of the process. This book shows readers how easy it can be to plan for security and peace of mind. Readers learn how to write a will, create an estate plan, designate executors, choose trusts, reduce tax liabilities, and distribute their assets. Other features include: A glossary of legal terms Advice for protecting families from creditors Guidance for unmarried partners The important role of charitable giving in your estate plan This book provides sound advice for planning retirement and managing assets at any age and income level. It also includes completely new information on: Updated tax, IRA, and Roth details Charitable giving opportunities for reducing taxes and leaving a legacy Instruction for keeping plans up to date as the readers age An estate planning checklist Will and trust forms annotated with alternate clauses, pitfalls to avoid, practice tips, recent cases, and tax considerations, and includes questionnaires, explanatory cover letters, asset flow charts, and case-based examples. The complexities of planning and administering an estate are clearly explained in this up-to-date and authoritative guide. This new edition covers the best techniques for transferring property through Irrevocable Life Insurance Trusts, gifting programs, paying grandchildren's medical and tuition expenses, and more. From wills, trusts, powers of attorney, and health care directives to probate and administering an estate, it's all here in easy-to-read, plain English. A five-step planning process details how to create and implement a

sound estate plan. A guide to estate planning discusses such topics as wills, the probate process, selecting an executor, living trusts, naming a guardian for young children, living wills, and setting up a power of attorney. If you're like most people, you want to be sure that, once you've passed on, no more of your property and money will be lost to the government than is absolutely necessary. You want to know that you'll be leaving your heirs your assets and not your debts. You want to be absolutely certain that your will is ship-shape, your insurance policies are structured properly, and that every conceivable hole in your estate plan has been filled. And most of all, you'd like to do all of this without driving yourself crazy trying to make sense of the complicated jargon, jumble of paperwork, and welter of state and federal laws involved in the estate planning process. Written by two estate planning pros, this simple, easy-to-use guide takes the pain out of planning for your ultimate financial future. In plain English, the authors walk you step-by-step through everything you need to know to:

***Put your estate into order
Minimize estate taxes
Write a proper will
Deal with probate
Set up trusts
Make sure your insurance policies are structured properly
Plan for special situations, like becoming incompetent and pet care
Craft a solid estate plan and keep it up-to-date
Don't leave the final disposition of your estate up to chance and the whims of bureaucrats.***

Estate Planning For Dummies gives you the complete lowdown on:

***Figuring out what you're really worth
Mastering the basics of wills and probate
Using will substitutes and dodging probate taxes
Setting up protective trusts, charitable trusts, living trusts and more
Making sense of state and federal inheritance taxes
Avoiding the generation skipping transfer tax
Minimizing all your estate-related taxes
Estate planning for family businesses
Creating a comprehensive estate plan***

Straightforward, reader-friendly, easy-to-use, Estate Planning

***For Dummies* is the ultimate guide to planning your family's future. *The Procrastinator's Guide to Wills and Estate Planning* is written for the millions of Americans who know they need estate planning but, using one excuse or another, never quite get around to starting or finishing it. This book will help you defeat the procrastination that's kept you from completing a critical responsibility to your family, friends, favorite causes and charities - as well as to yourself. In *The Procrastinator's Guide*, Attorney Eric G. Matlin cuts through legalese with step-by-step paths that overcome obstacles preventing you from obtaining the peace of mind you will find by planning your estate. Just follow the straightforward Action Plans that will ultimately protect your assets, both after you're gone and while you're still around to enjoy them. The sooner you start, the sooner you'll have the tranquility you're searching for. Discover a painless way to plan your estate... with *The Procrastinator's Guide to Wills and Estate Planning*. An estate plan can have several elements—a will; an assignment of power of attorney; a living will or healthcare proxy; and in some cases, a trust. As an estate planner, you must be mindful of both federal and state laws governing estates when assembling plans for clients. *Estate Planning Forms*, by L. Rush Hunt, covers all elements of estate planning in detail with easy-to-follow, time-saving forms. Written by leading lawyers in the field, this popular guide to the tax efficient drafting of wills, estate planning and administration provides practitioners with help and guidance, and discusses the typical problems and pitfalls that may be encountered in practice. The precedents have been carefully selected to deal in a straightforward fashion with the common needs of clients. The book begins by looking at the essential legal framework of wills, trusts and taxation through a combination of detailed and authoritative commentary, worked examples and expertly drafted precedents. It then**

examines specific topics including: transferable nil rate band, using IPDIs, provision for children, pilot trusts, gifts, APR and BPR, instruments of variation and disclaimer, and tax efficient administration. The authors narrative commentary is supplemented by 40 precedents which are included on an accompanying CD-ROM, allowing users to download and adapt each document as necessary. This revised fourth edition from estate-planning expert Harvey J. Platt details the most up-to-date strategies for using a living trust to create a flexible estate plan. With explanations of the latest tax laws, including the new Tax Relief Act, changes to the gift and generation skipping tax laws, and the new unified tax schedule rate. This book maps out the most effective techniques for saving money and property and provides the essential details of successful estate planning. Your Living Trust and Estate Plan 2011-2012 covers vital subjects not found in other books and discusses the components of and variations in living trusts, how to select beneficiaries, understanding the probate process, contributing to charities, life insurance, retirement benefits, ethical wills, dynasty trusts, postmortem planning, trust decanting, income tax planning, and offshore trusts. This expert, one-of-a-kind handbook shows you how to: Ensure that your inheritance instructions will be carried out -- the way you want them to be Protect your child's inheritance from creditors, ex-spouses, addictions, tax troubles, mismanagement, squandering, and other risks of loss Prevent family conflict that can arise when parents die and children divide the "family money" Leave more money to your children and grandchildren, and less to the IRS -- and understand the hidden cost of a "death tax" repeal Presents a comprehensive guide on understanding and preparing wills and trusts for parents of young children, describing the process of selecting a guardian, buying life insurance, designating powers of attorney, and choosing beneficiaries.

For anyone concerned about the financial security of their loved ones, here's everything you need to know about avoiding costly probate and establishing an efficient will and estate plan! Easy to understand and filled with dozens of real-life examples, Your Will & Estate Plan explains how to set up a will, select beneficiaries, select and establish the right trusts, protect assets against Medicaid claims, and much more. This valuable and authoritative guide features important advice on such sensitive issues as setting up a will when death is impending, managing the assets of one's parents, making legal arrangements for common-law and same-sex couples, and planning for the care of disabled children or mentally impaired relatives. It also shows how to transfer financial assets and property at minimum expense and maximize the protection of property against transfer taxes and other expensive fees. Filled with a wealth of worksheets, sample will forms, and a handy glossary of terms, Your Will & Estate Plan applies to estates of all sizes and not only saves loved ones thousands of dollars in attorney costs but also a lot of unintended nightmares. Allworth Press, an imprint of Skyhorse Publishing, publishes a broad range of books on the visual and performing arts, with emphasis on the business of art. Our titles cover subjects such as graphic design, theater, branding, fine art, photography, interior design, writing, acting, film, how to start careers, business and legal forms, business practices, and more. While we don't aspire to publish a New York Times bestseller or a national bestseller, we are deeply committed to quality books that help creative professionals succeed and thrive. We often publish in areas overlooked by other publishers and welcome the author whose expertise can help our audience of readers. Practical Guide to Estate Planning provides an overview of estate planning, offering the widest discussion on planning principles and tools from the simple to the sophisticated. This

book is not lacking in detail, as witnessed by its well-annotated collection of forms that will appeal to many experienced estate planners. The layout of this book reflects its emphasis on simplicity and clarity. Its scope includes a general overview of the estate planning process. It then addresses the rules involved in estate planning and the various ways in which estates may be structured to achieve desired tax effects. It goes on to discuss gifts, and some of the more specialized areas of estate planning, including generation-skipping transfer tax rules and charitable planning, which encompass the use of private foundations and split-interest trusts. Finally, Practical Guide to Estate Planning contains a set of estate planning forms. Included are a living trust, an irrevocable life insurance trust, an annual exclusion trust, a pour-over will, a will with outright dispositions, a codicil, a living will, a charitable remainder unitrust, a durable power of attorney, a health care proxy, a qualified personal residence trust (QPRT) and a Grantor Retained Annuity Trust (GRAT). The authors provide alternative drafting options as well as comprehensive annotations that can be used as quick references that explain why and how these devices operate. Straight Talk! About Estate Planning provides a no-nonsense look at the importance of estate planning and how to create an estate plan that works! In their straight forward, easy to read style, Peggy Hoyt and Debbie Roser lead you on a journey through the maze of legal potholes that include staying out of the guardianship courts, avoiding probate, reducing gift and estate taxes and making more than sure your plan accomplishes your personal and family goals. Meet Mary, mother of three who visits attorney Harry Hurry and ends up with an estate plan that is a complete waste of money and doesn't come close to accomplishing her simple goal of providing for her children. Discover the importance of how

assets are titled, how beneficiaries are designated and how to avoid the bad things that happen to good people. Get acquainted with Annabelle, a beloved dog whose owner leaves for an ordinary day and never returns. Discover how to protect the people and pets you love through special planning considerations that include special needs trusts, trusts for unmarried partners, lifetime protective trusts and pet trusts. Straight Talk! About Estate Planning will entertain you while imparting crucial information you need for every aspect of your life - now while you are alive and well, in the event of your mental disability and at the time of your death. It's a must read for everyone! Let's face it: you can't avoid death or taxes. But you can create an estate plan that will make both a whole lot easier for your loved ones and put you in control of how your assets will get passed to your heirs. Here, Wall Street Journal personal-finance reporter Rachel Emma Silverman walks you step-by-step through the process. Chock-full of clear and solid advice on how to get the most out of the main estate planning tools - including wills, trusts, life insurance, guardianship papers, and powers-of-attorney documents - the Wall Street Journal Complete Estate-Planning Guidebook will help make your estate-planning process as simple, smooth, and unintimidating as possible. This book will help you: • Clarify your estate-planning goals, such as dividing up property for heirs, reducing taxes or leaving money for charity • Understand the key estate-planning documents you'll need, including wills, beneficiary-designation forms, powers-of-attorney and health-care advance directives • Decode the technical jargon that estate planners often use, so you feel comfortable discussing QTIPs and QPRTs when you sit down with your lawyer. • Reduce possible estate, gift or generation-skipping taxes and legal and probate fees - decreasing what goes to the tax man and increasing what goes to your heirs • Learn strategies to divide

money and personal property among your heirs, and reduce the possibility of family fights · Discuss sensitive estate-planning issues with your family · Maintain your estate-plan over time, including how to store and when to update your documents With completely up-to-date information on how to navigate the new 2011 estate tax legislation, and thoughtful advice on how to handle your estate in complicated situations - like if you're single, in a same-sex relationship, or wish to provide for children with special needs - this is the estate-planning guide for today's messy and complicated world. One of the biggest estate planning mistakes people make, says Silverman, is waiting too long to start. Which is why the Wall Street Journal Complete Estate-Planning Guidebook isn't just for those planning for retirement or their golden years. It's for anyone, of any age, who wants the peace of mind of knowing that your wishes will be respected and your hard-earned money will get passed on as you would like. Making your money work for you ... automatically In The Automatic Millionaire David Bach unlocks the secret to getting rich. Cutting through the jargon, it's full of common-sense advice and practical strategies to help you take control of your finances. The step-by-step guide and no-budget, no-discipline, no-nonsense system makes reaching financial security amazingly simple and easy, no matter what your income. You can get rid of the debt that's holding you down. You can get on top of your day-to-day expenses. You can create a safety net that will protect you from life's unknowns. You can have the money to get the things you want. You can build a seven-figure nest egg that will keep you secure and comfortable for the rest of your life. This book has the power to secure your financial future and change your life. All you have to do is follow the one-step programme - the rest is automatic! Written in easy-to-read language with dozens of real-life examples, this book provides important information about

mediation, arbitration, small claims court, and civil court procedures, and includes a chapter on working with a lawyer. Everybody needs a will, a Power of Attorney and other essential planning documents. Many of us expect to live to a ripe old age but the reality is we could lose our mental capacity or pass away at any time. So its important to start planning before its too late! This book explains in simple terms the processes and procedures needed to prepare an effective Will and other estate planning documents. Its designed to help you learn and to think about issues everyone should have some knowledge about. Often these issues are presented in a complex array of legal jargon that only lead to confusion. This book will solve that complexity problem.

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