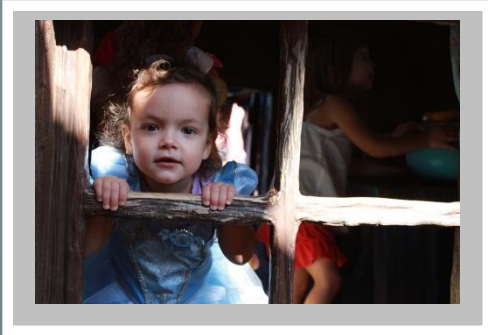


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*Protecting What You Value Most Through
Estate Planning and Asset Protection*

Providing Solutions That Secure and Enhance Your Wealth and Your Legacy

Everyone understands the benefits of having insurance to protect your assets from unanticipated events. Hazard and casualty insurance is necessary to provide protection from the risks of fire, floods and wind damage. Liability insurance is necessary to provide protection from the risks of auto accidents and personal injury. But what can you do to protect your assets from claims in excess of your insurance or from risks of lawsuits or from unexpected business liabilities or from an overabundance of tax consequences? Fortunately having an asset protection plan in place can help insulate you from these potentially significant risks.

We believe in providing you with effective solutions so that you can have confidence that your assets and your legacy are protected. An effective asset protection plan needs to be in place before a lawsuit or claim is made against you, and well in advance of your retirement or death, so it is important to take the step toward greater protection today.

Wild Felice & Partners is a full-service, Fort Lauderdale, Florida based law firm with a specialty in asset protection. We utilize a combination of estate planning, real estate law, corporate formation, family law, and asset structuring to assure that our clients are protected from potential litigation, creditors, and any other threats that may be looming. A properly designed asset protection plan can accomplish many of your most important objectives:

- Protection of family savings and investments from lawsuits and claims.
- Protection against inadequate or unavailable insurance coverage.
- Insulation of rental properties reducing your exposure to potential lawsuits.
- Protection of business assets and accounts receivable from potential claims.
- Elimination of probate.
- Reduction of estate taxes.

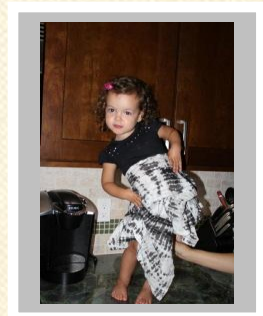


March Is All About The Luck of The...Estate Planners

Whoever said March brings with it the luck of the Irish, clearly forgot to mention the luck of estate planning. Rather, it's about surviving family members being out of luck in the absence of a proper estate plan in place. In this issue we will discuss:

- The Four-Leaf Clover of Estate Planning
- U2's Bono: An Irish Asset with International Assets
- How To Paint Your Estate Plan Green

*Every American should have an
estate plan in place but the need for
comprehensive estate planning is
even greater when you have
children.*



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The Four-Leaf Clover of Estate Planning

You don't have to be Irish or even lucky to set a solid estate plan in place. You just need to know the golden rule to basic South Florida estate planning. There are four critical legal documents that everyone should have as part of their asset protection plan or the only ones out of luck will be surviving family members.

1. Last Will and Testament- this critical document sets forth how and to whom your assets will be distributed. It sets forth who the appointed personal representative of your estate is, and if you have minor children, who will be their guardians. Without a properly executed Will, your assets may pass through Florida's laws of intestacy.
2. Durable Power of Attorney- allows you to nominate a person who will have power to make all non-medical decisions for you in the event you become incapacitated. For example, they can pay your bills, manage your bank accounts, and run your business.
3. Designation of Health Care Surrogate- you can designate someone to make medical decisions for you in the event you become incapacitated. If you do not designate someone, the court might appoint someone to make the decisions for you. The courts' choice might be against your wishes and extremely costly.
4. Living Will- This relates to "end of life" decisions. In the event you are in an "end stage condition" or a permanent vegetative state, you can include instructions that let your loved ones and caregivers know whether or not you wish to be kept artificially alive by machines.



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Did you know?

One of Ireland's most prized asset is Bono from the band U2. However, all his assets probably lie overseas. As a non-US citizen, his estate tax exemption for all his property held in the U.S. would be a measly \$60k. If he were to become a Florida resident, he could avoid the state estate tax shouldered by residents of many of the other 50 states.

His status as the richest entertainer in the world coupled with his humanitarian efforts make trust formation and probate avoidance the ideal way of ensuring his family and charities end up with more assets than the IRS.

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How To Paint Your Estate Plan Green

If a Leprechaun knew that a strategically crafted estate plan could protect all its hoarded treasures it would stop guarding its pot fiercely and call an estate-planning attorney today. Nothing sings luck of the estate planner more than keeping hard-earned coins in "your" money pot rather than in Uncle Sam's pot.

For example establishing a Revocable Living Trust avoids probate, which in turn can save you tens of thousands of dollars while providing your family with complete asset protection.

Most South Floridians don't realize that the proceeds from a South Florida life insurance policy may carry a hefty estate tax. The best shield against the bullets of such taxation comes in the form of an Irrevocable Life Insurance Trust. This allows you to transfer life insurance benefits into a trust and save your family hundreds of thousands of dollars.

There are about 50 million lawsuits filed each year. If you own your own business, then choosing the right business entity can protect you from creditor claims. A Limited Liability Company will insulate your personal assets from debts and liabilities. A Limited Liability Partnership will protect your assets from the mistakes of partners. The Family Limited Partnership is an ideal legal entity for the family business venture. The main benefit is that the partnership itself pays no taxes. Rather, individual partners report all property or assets in direct proportion to their respective FLP interests on personal tax returns.

These are just a few of the many tools your South Florida estate-planning attorney can equip you with. Step dance your way to a solid estate plan a gold pinching Leprechaun could only dream of.



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The Use Of Your Money Is Of More Value Than Its Quantity

A man bought a lump of gold and buried it in the ground by the side of an old wall. Each day he unearthed it to admire its beauty. However, unbeknownst to him a stranger stood by and watched. One day he returned to find his lump of gold missing. Overcome with grief, he loudly lamented his misfortune. A neighbor came to console him. He said, "grieve not for since you made no use of it, it is as if you never had a lump of gold but a lump of stone."

Creating an estate plan is the best investment you can make for your family. The worst thing is for all your hard earned assets and legacy to be lost forever to creditors and the IRS.

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