

2025 Annual Client Meeting

- 1) Welcome Clients & Guests
- 2) Administrative: Outlines & Handouts (Estate Planning Review Worksheets)
 - a. Welcome Brynn Kemelher + Scot Prebles - Law Clerks -
2nd year law students - will be sitting in on many attorney meetings
 - b. Lost Communications: Question #1 on Client Response Form
 - c. Client File Update
- 3) Winding Down of Affairs
 - a. Trends: Death - Disability - Proactive Assistance
 - b. What's Working? What's Not?
 - i. Call the firm
 - ii. Understanding of plan "mechanics" - legal - financial - tax
 - iii. What To Do Workshop - July 24th
 - iv. Invite family, helpers + advisors to Annual Client Meetings
 - v. Family Meetings

c. Appropriate Assistance:

i. Financial: How do we pay for disability care? Familiarity with investments

ii Tax: 1040 + 1041 returns + Income in Respect of a Decedent (IRD)

iii. Question 2

d Asset Review Reports:

i Not returning

ii Missing assets

iii Updated Reports next month - okay values have changed

4) Law Firm Concerns

a. Fraud + Identity Theft (Workshop on July 15th) - Don't wait to call the firm!

b. Maintaining Independence:

i Home Care Workshop on August 12th

ii Client Care Program: No cost care assessment

5) Technology Update

- a. Challenges: Disparity of client skills — Uniqueness of practice model
- b. "In Development"
- c. Client Portals: Web + Smart Phone App (Clio for Clients)
 - i. Features: Texting - Scheduling - Shared access to documents - Upload pictures
 - ii. Bank level security
 - iii. Demo
 - iv. Starting roll out with volunteers
 - v. Clio VS DocuBank: Questions 3 + 4

6) Estate Planning Review Worksheet — Return today please

7) Legal Update:

- a. Federal Estate Taxes: Coupon amount almost \$14 million — stay tuned!
- b. Federal Gift Tax Annual Exclusion: Increased from \$18,000 to \$19,000

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c. Ohio Community Property: (Proposed legislation)

- i. All states follow either "Separate Property" or "Community Property" Law
- ii. Community Property provides preferential Capital Gains Tax rules for Married Couples



d. Funding vs Transfer on Death (Inv. Accts) + Pay on Death (Bank Accts): Issue?

i. Focus is on Probate avoidance on death - Disability?

ii. Disability: Funded to Trust = Successor Trustee

TOD/PDD = Power of Attorney Agent

8) Closing Comments

- a) Return Client Response Form (and Estate Planning Review Worksheets)
- b) Register for summer education programs, family meetings + Client Care Assessment
- c) Return Asset Review Reports