



CONFIDENTIAL CLIENT QUESTIONNAIRE (JOINT)

We understand the confidential nature of the material requested in this questionnaire. We appreciate your assistance in providing this information to help us better serve your Life & Estate Planning needs.

Note: In accordance with 16 CFR 313, our law firm does not release any personal or financial information obtained from clients to any third party without prior permission

Disclaimer: No attorney-client relationship is intended to be established by the free, brief initial consultation. Legal opinions provided on the spur of the moment, with limited background information exchanged and without specific, fact-based research should not be relied upon for non-trivial legal matters. You are strongly advised to seek a complete, detailed consultation with our firm or the attorney(s) to whom we refer you rather than relying on the general concepts presented and discussed during a brief, initial consultation. The attorney-client relationship shall only be established once you and the firm have executed our firm's FEE AGREEMENT.

The Estate Planning Checklist

1. Thank you for making an appointment for your complimentary initial consultation with one of our attorneys.
2. Please fill out the confidential client information form the best you can prior to your appointment. We ask that you at least provide the attorney the Preliminary Client information so that the attorney can advise you on our recommended course of action. If you feel you are ready to discuss your estate plan in more detail, please continue filling out the Client Information form the best you can.
3. We **do not** need copies of your bank or financial statements or insurance policies unless you require assistance with funding your trust (additional fee may be incurred for this service)
4. At your initial consultation we will discuss the basics of estate planning (wills, trusts, power of attorneys and healthcare directives). You will need to agree to retain our services before we will offer you any legal advice on your specific circumstances.
5. Once we agree on how to proceed, we will send you our Fee Agreement and schedule an appointment to either go over any undecided information from you or to review the final estate planning documents.

Upon completion, please eFax (no coversheet needed) this document to 949.313.5062 or email it to assistance@mycaliforniaestate.com.

If you need to mail the document send it to:
OC Wills and Trust Attorneys
15635 Alton Parkway, Suite 125
Irvine, CA 92618

Confidential Client Questionnaire

By completing this questionnaire and bringing the documents identified below to your initial consultation, you can help ensure that our time together is productive and that our planning recommendations are appropriate for you. **Do not feel obligated to complete this form in its entirety (other than the preliminary information) prior to your initial consultation.**

How did you hear about our firm?

- Yelp Online Search Seminar Health Expo
- Friend/Family: _____ (name)
- Financial Planner/CPA/Attorney: _____ (name)

Preliminary Client Information

Marital Status: Married Couple Registered Domestic Partners

Spouse 1: Male Female

Spouse 2: Male Female

Legal Name:

Legal Name:

Other names used on legal documents:

Other names used on legal documents:

Phone Number: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Employer: _____

Employer: _____

U.S. Citizen? Yes No

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Do you own a home? Yes No

Home Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different than above): _____

What do you estimate your joint net worth to be?

< \$1M \$1M – \$5M \$5M – \$12M \$12M – \$24M \$24M+

Upon the passing of the first spouse do you intend for the surviving spouse to receive complete control and ownership of all assets? Yes No

Do you have any children? Yes No

If you have children, what is their age range? _____

Are all the children of your marriage? Yes No

Do you plan on treating all children (joint and separate) equally? Yes No

Please state your primary goal in preparing and estate plan:

Children (Including Deceased)

Name: _____ Age: _____ Gender: Male Female

Parent: Both Spouses Spouse 1 Spouse 2 | If applicable: Adopted Deceased

Name: _____ Age: _____ Gender: Male Female

Parent: Both Spouses Spouse 1 Spouse 2 | If applicable: Adopted Deceased

Name: _____ Age: _____ Gender: Male Female

Parent: Both Spouses Spouse 1 Spouse 2 | If applicable: Adopted Deceased

Name: _____ Age: _____ Gender: Male Female

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Preferred Name of Trust

The (Last Name) Family Trust

The (Last Name 1 and Last Name 2) Family Trust

Custom Name: _____

Existing Trust: _____

Date Original Trust was signed: _____

Dates of any Amendments to Trust: _____

People You Trust to Control Your Assets (Successor Trustees/Executor/POA)

- If you and your spouse/partner cannot manage your assets due to death or incapacity, who do you trust to do so on behalf of yourselves or your beneficiaries?
- A beneficiary who is 18 or older can be named as a Trustee.
- You can select co-Trustees to serve with equal power. If would like co-Trustees, please write both names on the same line.
- **It is not recommended that you appoint co-Trustees unless you are certain they would work well together (i.e. your parents and maybe your siblings)**
- Please write names as they appear on their ID (First and Last is sufficient)

First Choice(s): _____

Relationship (i.e., John's sister): _____ City/State: _____

Second Choice(s): _____

Relationship (i.e., John's sister): _____ City/State: _____

Third Choice(s): _____

Relationship (i.e., John's sister): _____ City/State: _____

If selecting co-Trustees: Only one signature required for most business or All co-Trustees must sign
Successor Trustee Replaces If all co-Trustees cannot serve or if one co-Trustee cannot serve

Backup Guardians (If you have Minor children)

Same persons and order as Successor Trustees/Executors

- Who you want to care for your minor children (i.e., under 18 years of age) to adulthood if you both pass.
- You do not need to name your spouse if they are the biological parent.
- **Co-Guardians must be married, if selecting co-Guardians write both names on the designated line.**
- **Do not name Co-Guardians unless you are comfortable with either Guardian taking care of your children on their own.**

First Choice(s): _____

Relationship (i.e., John's sister): _____ City/State: _____

If selecting co-Guardians, who would you prefer in case of a divorce? _____

Second Choice(s): _____

Relationship (i.e., John's sister): _____ City/State: _____

If selecting co-Guardians, who would you prefer in case of a divorce? _____

Third Choice(s): _____

Relationship (i.e., John's sister): _____ City/State: _____

If selecting co-Guardians, who would you prefer in case of a divorce? _____

(Optional) Minor Power of Attorney / Health Care Directive

Same persons and order as Guardians

- If you would like to give someone temporary power to care for and make decisions for your minor child.

First Choice(s): _____

Relationship (i.e., John’s sister): _____ City/State: _____

Second Choice(s): _____

Relationship (i.e., John’s sister): _____ City/State: _____

Third Choice(s): _____

Relationship (i.e., John’s sister): _____ City/State: _____

Inheritance Planning

- Our default plan for married couples is as follows, if you wish to do something different, we would be happy to discuss your other options at our consultation.

Default Plan for Married Couples

- Upon the passing of the first spouse, the surviving spouse will inherit all our assets (separate and community) and thus will be free to do whatever they want with those assets including changing or revoking the trust.
- Upon the passing of both spouses, the entire trust estate will be **distributed equally to each of your children** (all children of the marriage and from a prior relationship will be treated equally) in the following manner:
 - Outright equal distribution to all children.
 - Assets held in trust for your children until they attain the single age (i.e. 25) _____
 - Distribution over Multiple Ages (i.e., 50% at age 25, 50% at age 30)

Family Pot Trust (Assets will be held for all children and can be used equally or unequally for each child until the youngest child achieves age (i.e. 22) _____ and then distributed to each child when they achieve the age (i.e. 25) _____

Dynasty Trust – Child serves as Trustee at age _____

Note: Money/Assets held in trust are generally available at the discretion of the Trustee for each beneficiary’s health, maintenance, support, and education.

- If any of your children predecease you, their share shall be distributed equally to:
 - Their children, held in trust until the age of 25, if no children then to their surviving siblings.
 - Our surviving children. If we are not survived by living children, equally to our grandchildren.
- If you are not survived by any children or grandchildren or great grandchildren, the estate shall be distributed 50% to Spouse 1’s family and 50% to Spouse 2’s family starting with your parents, then siblings, then nieces and nephews etc.

- Alternatively, you can list specific amounts/percentages to specific people:

<u>Name/Relationship</u>	<u>\$ or %</u>	<u>Specific Asset</u>	<u>Notes</u>

Health Care Agent (For Advanced Healthcare Directive)

Same persons and order as Successor Trustees/Executors

- If married, we assume your spouse will be your initial agent and thus you do not need to list your spouse.

Spouse 1 (List name and relationship)

Spouse 2 (List name and relationship)

1: _____
2: _____
3: _____

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3: _____

HIPAA Authorization

- Are there any other persons you would like to give the doctor the permission to talk to regarding your medical condition? (Your Successor Trustee/POA/Healthcare agent will automatically be included)

Spouse 1 (List name and relationship)

Spouse 2 (List name and relationship)

1: _____
2: _____
3: _____

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Living Will Options

- If you are unconscious, being kept alive artificially (i.e., respirator, heart pump) and the doctor has indicated there is nothing else they can do for you, what do you want your health-care agent to tell the doctor?
 - Choice Not to Prolong Life:
I do not want my life to be prolonged if (1) I have an incurable and irreversible condition that will result in my death within a relatively short time, (2) I become unconscious and, to a reasonable degree of medical certainty, I will not regain consciousness, or (3) the likely risks and burdens of treatment would outweigh the expected benefits. **(You want your agent to let you go if they agree with the Doctor’s assessment that you are not going to recover but if your agent disagrees then your agent can keep you alive)**
 - Choice to Prolong Life:
I want my life to be prolonged as long as possible within the limits of generally accepted health care. **(You don’t care what your doctor or your agent believe, you want to be kept alive)**

Spouse 1

Spouse 2

Not to Prolong Prolong

Not to Prolong Prolong

Organ Donation: Yes No

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Final Disposition: Buried Cremated

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Real Estate Ownership

- Please send the most recent “Grant Deed” or “Quitclaim Deed” for any real estate that you own in the State of California. Please include any exhibit “A” included with the deed. “Deed of Trust” and “Deed of Reconveyance” are not the documents we need.

Address: _____ Already in Trust

Primary Residence Vacation Home/Timeshare Rental/Commercial/Vacant Lot

Address: _____ Already in Trust

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Business Ownership

Name of Business: _____ Already in Trust

Is this a Professional Corporation? (i.e. Doctor, Attorney, etc.) Yes No | Who owns the business? Spouse 1 Spouse 2 Both

Type of Entity: C Corp S Corp LLC Sole Proprietorship | State of Incorporation: _____

Name of Business: _____ Already in Trust

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Any other questions/concerns you would like addressed or answered?