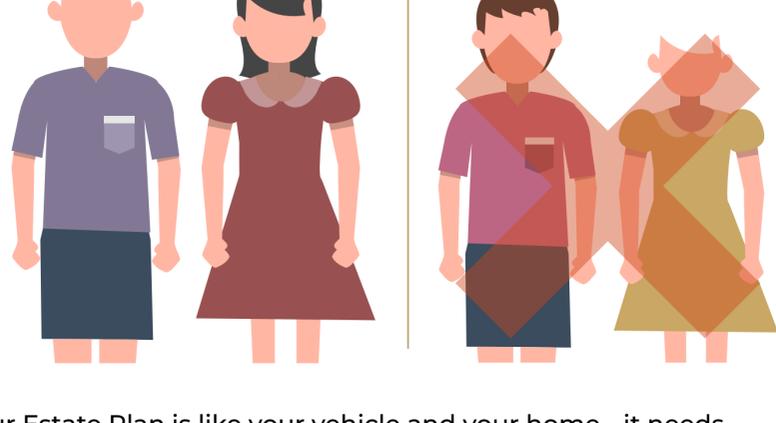


5 COMMON MISTAKES PEOPLE MAKE ON THEIR WILLS & ESTATE PLANNING (AND HOW YOU CAN AVOID THEM)

1 DON'T UPDATE WHEN THEY HAVE MORE KIDS



Your Estate Plan is like your vehicle and your home - it needs regular maintenance. If you experience any major changes in your life (like having kids), updating your Will and estate planning documents is always a good idea. Your Will should always specifically name your direct family members.

2 DON'T UPDATE WHEN THEY ACQUIRE MORE PROPERTY



Buy a new house? Stocks? Trust funds? If there is a major update to your net worth or asset summary, it's important to update your estate plan. Your Attorney can help you decide how best to handle new changes when they arise.

3 DON'T UPDATE FOR BIG LIFE EVENTS LIKE MARRIAGE OR DIVORCE



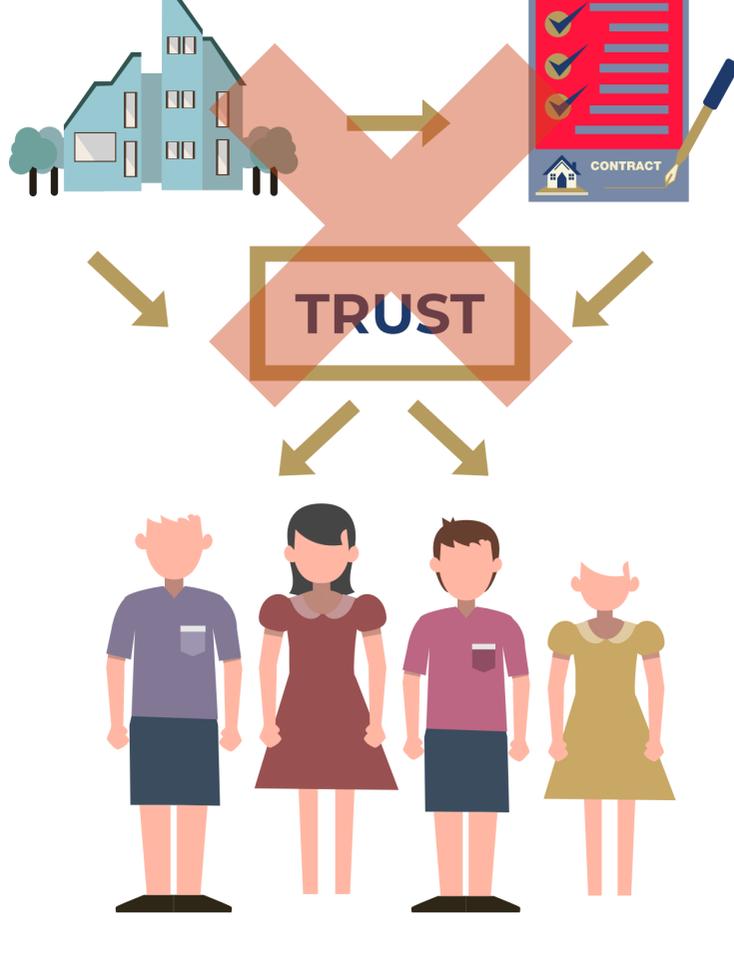
Estate Planning documents are probably the LAST thing anyone is thinking about during difficult divorce situations. Although, the consequences of not changing your estate plan after marriage/divorce are serious. Imagine having your ex-husband as your medical power of attorney, when it's really your mother you'd like making those decisions?

4 DON'T REVISIT THEIR GUARDIANSHIP DESIGNATIONS OFTEN ENOUGH



A common misconception people have about guardianship designations is that once they've completed the paperwork, they're done for life. This is simply not true. As time passes, circumstances change. Your original guardians may fall on hard times, not be in a position to financially or physically support kids, or you may create new relationships more suitable for guardianship designations.

5 DON'T INCLUDE A TESTAMENTARY TRUST IN THEIR WILL



A Testamentary Trust is a common (and sometimes forgotten) tool to include in your Will. This Trust only goes into effect if any of your beneficiaries are under a certain age (usually 18 years at the youngest.) The trust ensures that you're not leaving any property to children under 18 years old, which can result in costly, complicated guardianship hearings.

ADVANTAGES OF WORKING WITH AN EXPERIENCED TEXAS ESTATE PLANNING ATTORNEY

- All your questions answered
- Sensitive to Family Issues
- Can help you make best decisions for your Family
- Teaches you best strategy under the Law
- Protects and Cherishes your Family Legacy

