

Florida Estate Planning & Elder Law E-Newsletter March 2020



Daylight Savings Time returns March 8. Remember to set your clocks forward by one hour.

Daylight Savings Time is not without controversy. Some

scientists want it eliminated, saying more sunlight in the evening disrupts natural biorhythms. Proponents favor making it year-round, citing its role in reducing electricity consumption, crime and accidents. Florida falls in the latter camp, even passing a bill in 2018 to make Daylight Savings Time all year long. But without congressional action, the bill has no teeth.

So for now, we will keep doing what we've always done: *spring forward, and fall back*.

All the best,

The Attorneys & Staff of The Karp Law

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Free Workshops

Free March seminars! Come find out how to protect your family and your assets. Please share the schedule with your friends and neighbors, too. We offer attendees a free consultation if we think we'll be able to assist them. Check out the schedule **here**.

How To Spot A Census Scam



The 2020 census kicks off this month, and it's a safe bet that fraudsters have taken notice. This is the first year you can answer census questions online, necessitating additional caution.

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What Every Personal Representative Must Know

Who will you choose to administer your estate? Will you accept the job if you're asked? Think carefully, because a personal representative (known as an executor in other states) has serious responsibilities, and mistakes can be costly.

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Love and Tacos on Valentine's Day

The Karp Law Firm's lawyers and staff marked Valentine's Day this year with a delicious happy hour at Rocco's Tacos.

Photos

No Smart Phone? No Problem, Says Uber

Florida is now one of just two states (Arizona is the other) where you can request an Uber ride without using a smart phone. Instead of an app, you call a phone number and speak to - can you believe it? - a live human being!

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Kirk Douglas: "I Want To Give It All Away"



After decades as a Hollywood icon, actor Kirk Douglas passed away last month at age 103. Rising from humble roots, Douglas' charitable work is as impressive as his larger-than-life movie roles.

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Elder Law Radio

Listen to Attorney Joseph Karp on Anita Finley's STARS show, Saturday, March 14 at 8:30 a.m. To find out how to listen, and to hear selected archived shows, click **here**.

Guardianship Avoidance Must Be Part of Your Planning

It is essential to name someone to make your decisions in the event you are incapacitated. Otherwise you could find yourself under guardianship. And what if the person in charge of your life turns out to be one of the rare "bad apples"? That's the unfortunate fate that befell the late Steven Stryker.

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April 15: You know what that means. Our law firm's Certified Public Accountant, Rebecca Maglio, can be retained to assist you with your tax return. Call her at 561-472-6066, or email **rmaglio@karplaw.com**

Checking Out Assisted Living?

There is no substitute for an in-person visit to evaluate an assisted living residence. The states oversee these facilities, but according to a recent study, many states' websites do not offer sufficient data to make an informed decision.

Check out the study
Connect to Florida's facility locator

"I've Got Some Pretty Good Genes"

That's quite the understatement from Indiana resident Bob Vollmer. Vollmer worked past age 65. Also past 75, 85... and 95!

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