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## Ladybird Deed: Not A Silver Bullet

The ladybird deed, also known as an enhanced life estate deed, became popular in Florida over the past 15-20 years, seemingly enabling both probate avoidance and asset protection. But it is not the "silver bullet" of estate planning some think it is: A ladybird deed can produce negative consequences for you and your family, and is useful only under limited, specific circumstances.

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## Jimmy Buffet Estate Shows Two Heads Not Always Better Than One



Appointing two people to manage your estate sounds logical, even desirable. However, human nature being what it is, two heads are not always better than one when it comes to this task. Singer-songwriter Jimmy Buffet's estate provides a case in point.

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## Travel Tips From Retirees

Many retirees and near-retirees relish traveling. *Conde Nast Traveler* culled pointers from travelers on planning, timing, how to save money and more. But there was one tip at the top of everyone's list: *Don't wait!*

[Read the article](#)

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## Say No To A Safe Deposit Box (For Certain Things)



A safe deposit box is a great place for some valuables, but not for important documents that you or your family may need in a hurry. That includes your will, health care advance directives, insurance policy paperwork and more.

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## Snowbirds, Schedule Your Appointment

Snowbirds have begun flocking north. If you are a snowbird client still in town and you need a consultation, call us at 561-625-1100 without delay so we can schedule your appointment.

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## You Don't Need To Pay For A Copy Of Your Deed



Have you received a letter in the mail that offers you a copy of your deed, for a fee? You don't need to pay a penny to get a copy of your deed! Click this link to read the solicitation many Florida homeowners are receiving.

[Read more](#)

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## Have a Favorite Florida Recipe?

If you are 60 or older and have a favorite recipe that uses Florida ingredients, the Department of Elder Affairs wants to hear about it. In honor of our country's 250th birthday, the agency is compiling a "Florida Flavors" cookbook that will be published online by July 4.

[Read more, submit a recipe](#)

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## Ghost Directories: A Fix Is Coming



It's called a ghost directory: A list of physicians a Medicare Advantage plan says are in network - but aren't. Out-of-date and inaccurate provider listings are not uncommon and can cost Advantage beneficiaries time and money, and delay necessary health care. A new law aims to fix the problem.

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## Get Tax Assistance From The Karp Law Firm



Certified Public Accountant Rebecca Maglio can be retained to assist you with your returns, although due to the late date she will need to file an extension for you. Call Ms. Maglio at 561-472-6066 or [email her](#).

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