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Happy Halloween! As we move through autumn, we are approaching the end of hurricane season. So far it's been all treat and no tricks for the Sunshine State. Let's hope that trend continues!

Next month Floridians will go to the polls. One highly consequential item on the state ballot is Amendment 3. The measure would reduce property taxes, and reduce local revenues and expenditures. Below you will find links to studies from non-partisan organizations that analyze the measure's likely impact. Check them out so you can be fully informed when you cast your vote.

All the best,
The Attorneys & Staff of The Karp Law Firm



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Don't Just Review Your Beneficiary Designations: Follow Through!

Keeping beneficiary designations current ensures that your assets will end up in the right hands. Just alerting your financial institution isn't enough, though: always check that your designations have been properly documented, and get written confirmation, too. Read about one Floridian who failed to follow through, leaving the court to decide which one of his sparring survivors was entitled to his money.

[Read more](#)

Fraud Wars: In Their Own Words



The rise of artificial intelligence has made fraud more pervasive than ever, requiring our constant vigilance. In the AARP's *Fraud Wars* video series, victims tell their personal stories, describing how they became ensnared in scams, what they lost, and the danger signals all of us should watch out for.

[Watch the videos](#)

Not A Grandparent? You Belong To A Growing Club

With the U.S. fertility rate at an all-time low, more and more adults do not have grandchildren. Many are untroubled by this reality, but for others, not being a grandparent is a stinging disappointment. If you are in the latter category, check out this article from *Good Housekeeping*.

[Read more](#)

Jonathan Karp Running for Charity



Attorney Jonathan Karp is running the Chicago Marathon on October 11th, raising funds for the [Sunrise Association](#), which provides free summer camp to kids battling cancer. Then on November 1st, Jonathan will run the New York City Marathon to raise funds for [Skyhope](#), which provides free flights to people in need of flights for medical diagnosis or treatment. If you would like to contribute to Jonathan's efforts for one or both of these charitable organizations, click the links below. Thank you!

[Chicago Marathon Benefiting The Sunrise Association](#)

[New York Marathon Benefiting Skyhope](#)

Canadian Drugs May Be Delayed Or Not Delivered

Millions of Americans order cheaper brand-name prescription drugs from Canada. If you're one of them, beginning October 22 your order may be delayed or non-deliverable due to new U.S. customs procedures. Patient advocates have advice on what you should do now.

[Learn more](#)

Your Living Trust Needs A Safety Net



You have insurance for all kinds of threats, from car accidents to floods. But what if the danger is that one of your assets ends up in probate, and is distributed according to state law, not the terms of your trust? Fortunately, there is a way to make sure the terms of your trust are followed: a pourover will.

[Learn more](#)

Two New Honors for Jonathan Karp

We are delighted to announce that Attorney Jonathan Karp just received two new honors in recognition of his legal expertise!

[Read more](#)

Amendment 3 On Your Ballot In November



November's state ballot contains the hotly debated Amendment 3, a measure that would reduce Florida property taxes and affect local budgets and delivery of public services. To help you to make an informed, independent decision, below are studies from two non-partisan organizations on the likely impact of passage. Of course, there are many other viewpoints on the matter to

explore: just google *Amendment 3 Florida*.

[Ballotopedia](#)
[Florida Tax Watch](#)

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