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DID YOU KNOW THAT, IN FLORIDA...

Sometimes, a married couple may claim two (2) **HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS** if each truly lives in a separate household for at least 183 days a year. However, a married couple with a vacation home where one of the parties resides there less than 183 days per year cannot (validly) claim a homestead exemption on the vacation home. Claiming both exemptions in this example would be fraudulent.

A **PROPERTY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT** allows spouses in a *Divorce* action to determine his/her own rights and responsibilities without the Court having to make those decisions for them. Some of the issues usually covered in this Agreement include *Distribution of Marital Assets and Liabilities, Timesharing with Children, Child Support, Health and Life Insurance, Alimony and Attorneys' Fees.*

ESTATE PLANNING is not just for the wealthy. It helps manage and dispose of your Estate, whether large or small, during your lifetime (if you are incapacitated) and at your death (because whatever you own at the end of your life is your life savings). A *Last Will & Testament* should address Guardianship of minor children, *Homestead* disposition, appointing a *Personal Representative* to manage the Estate and even distribution of miscellaneous personal property, including pets.

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