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## JUPITER LAW CENTER

is a private neighborhood law firm with a rich history of helping clients since 1988. The attorneys and staff are personal in approach, empathetic in nature and strive to provide a warm, relaxed atmosphere. Our goal is to build longstanding relationships with each of our clients. Ultimately, we hope to serve you and your family for a lifetime. Located on the south side of Indiantown Road in the Jupiter Creek Professional Center, east of I-95 and west of Military Trail, we're open Monday - Thursday, 9 A.M. to 5:30 P.M., and Friday, 9 A.M. - 2 P.M.

## BON VOYAGE! A LEGAL TRAVEL CHECKLIST

Travel can be exciting, but before you leave for some summer fun, review JUPITER LAW CENTER'S Top Ten Legal Checklist:

- 1. Create a Will/Trust.** Don't procrastinate if you're going on a big trip. Make sure you call us well in advance of your trip (not the day before you are leaving!) so we have adequate time to meet with you, draft your documents and make sure everything is signed properly before you leave.
- 2. Review/Update Will/Trust.** If you already have an existing Will/Trust, confirm that it reflects any life changes that might have occurred since then (such as births, deaths, marriages or divorces). You might also want to verify that the people you have named in positions of power (such as a *Personal Representative, Successor Trustee and/or Guardian*) are still able to serve.
- 3. Review Advance Directives re: Incapacity.**



- 4. Review Titles/Beneficiary Designations.** If you haven't recently reviewed titles and/or Beneficiary Designations, do it now, especially if you have gone through a Divorce, lost a loved one or set up a Trust that might not have been funded properly.
- 5. Review Your Plan for Minor Children.** Make sure you've appointed a Guardian who is able and willing to serve if something happens to you. You can appoint one Guardian to handle all duties or choose one as *Guardian of the Person* (re: daily caregiving of your children) and another as *Guardian of the Property* (re: managing their finances).
- 6. Review Your Insurance.** Check your life insurance coverage to make sure it still meets your family's needs, and consider getting disability and/or long-term care insurance in case you and/or your spouse become ill or injured.
- 7. Organize Your Accounts and Documents.** Make a list of ALL of your assets and liabilities, where they are located and any usernames and passwords. Remember to leave instructions and make them easily accessible!
- 8. Talk to Your Loved Ones About Your Plan.** Tell your family/loved ones about your general plans (like where your documents are stored – but no need to give them copies).
- 9. Don't Post Too Much Information on Social Media BEFORE You Go!** Burglars would love to hear about an upcoming trip so they can have free access to your home – don't make it easier for them to plan to rob you!
- 10. Designate Someone to Watch the House.** It doesn't hurt to have someone keep an eye on everything, including bringing in mail and newspapers and just generally checking to make sure there are no water leaks or other issues that could adversely affect your property.

JUPITER LAW CENTER wishes you and your loved ones safe travels this summer. If you have some missing check marks, call us today to prepare or update your Estate Plan.

Attorney Adam S. Gumson of JUPITER LAW CENTER graduated from *Duke University* (1988) and the *University of Florida College of Law* (1991 with Honors). In addition to preparing and reviewing Contracts, he primarily handles matters involving *Estate and Business Planning* (including *Wills, Trusts, Durable Powers of Attorney, Health Care Surrogates, Living Wills, Succession Planning, Contracts & Purchase/Sale Agreements*), *Probate Estates, Family Law* (*Divorce, Custody, Alimony, Timesharing, Same-Sex relationships, Pre/Postnuptial Agreements, Modification actions and Collaborative Law*) and *Real Estate* (*Community Association, Residential/ Commercial Transactions, Deeds, Closings*). He is married and resides in Jupiter with his wife and three children.



If you have a child going to or in college, make sure you have your child sign a Consent form at the Registrar's office so that you can communicate with the college about your child, see your child's grades, or obtain school-related financial information. Without the signed Consent form on file, the school will most likely deny you access (even if you are calling to find out how much you owe on tuition!).

