

IT'S THE LAW!

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DID YOU KNOW THAT, IN FLORIDA...

Major life changes (such as getting married, divorced or remarried, children becoming adults, financial or residency changes) should trigger a review of your **ESTATE PLANNING** documents. It's also a good idea to review them every few years to ensure they still protect you the way you intended.

In a Real Estate transaction, a **HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION** is permitted 10 days after receipt of a written or electronic request for the *Estoppel Certificate* to issue the *Certificate*. The Association is permitted to charge a fee for the service, but it must be set by written resolution of the Board.

GUARDIANSHIP can provide certain protections for a **SPECIAL NEEDS WARD**, but is not always the best option. It can be expensive, involve the Court making decisions which are better left to the family, and sometimes results in designating a Guardian whom the parents might not have chosen.

Looking to start a partnership? An **OPERATING AGREEMENT** memorializes all of the "*handshake*" agreements as to what happens if one of the owners becomes disabled, divorces or dies, and will prevent confusion down the road because both parties understand the agreed-upon rules before the situation arises.

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