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## ***IT'S THE LAW!***

### **DID YOU KNOW THAT, IN FLORIDA...**

Did you win the **LOTTERY**? Print your name on the back of the ticket and complete the information requested there immediately. A winning Lottery ticket is like a check: anyone in possession of it can present it, along with a government issued identification card (and *Winner Claim Form* if over \$600) and walk away with the winnings. Don't make any other alterations as doing so could delay the payment of your winnings.

More than 13 million parents are separated or **DIVORCED** in households where children are under the age of 21 with the vast majority of Custodial Parents being the mother. Sadly, less than one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of those awarded **CHILD SUPPORT** actually collect the full amount.

Naming a beneficiary in your **WILL** or **TRUST** does not guarantee that the beneficiary receives the particular asset because a valid *Beneficiary Designation Form* ("**BDF**") takes precedence. So, make sure that your BDFs align with your present wishes or the beneficiaries in your Will/Trust will **NOT** receive the assets in those particular accounts.

A **GUARDIAN** is a surrogate decision-maker appointed by the Court to make either personal and/or financial decisions for a minor or for an adult with mental or physical disabilities. After adjudication, the subject of the Guardianship is called the **WARD**.

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