WILLS, TRUSTS, & ESTATE PLANNING
FINANCIAL EDUCATION FOR ADULTS AGES 50 TO 70

Classroom Instruction
ON
Estate Planning Strategies

WHEN?
Tuesday, January 17th 6:30pm to 9:30pm
OR
Thursday, January 26th 6:30pm to 9:30pm

WHERE?
UTA Continuing Education & Workforce Development (CEWF)
140 West Mitchell Street
Arlington, TX 76019

REGISTER TODAY TO LEARN:
• The benefits and importance of having an estate plan
• The differences between wills and trusts
• How to plan for incapacitation, and what to do when a loved one dies
• How to avoid probate, its associated costs, and minimize taxes
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$59 PER PERSON
TEXTBOOK INCLUDED

Strittmatter Wealth Management Group, LLC
WHY ATTEND THIS CLASS?

Estate planning is a complex and confusing area of our lives. It is often one of the last items that people take care of because of procrastination or confusion over what is needed. Now, more than ever, it is important to have a sound estate plan in place. Without an estate plan, you lose control of the distribution of your estate and you may incur unnecessary costs and taxes. By attending this class, you will learn more about the tools and strategies that are needed to protect your assets and give you back control over decisions that will affect you and your family moving forward.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course has valuable information for everyone. We will discuss the many ways to plan your estate as well as teach you strategies you can utilize to protect your assets. You will learn about how to choose between a will or a trust, how your estate will be taxed, and how to protect your assets from creditors and the government. Most importantly, this course provides you with the tools you will need to make key decisions around planning your estate.

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DYING WITHOUT A WILL
Putting a will in place is easy but knowing what is needed in your will can be difficult. Without a will, the court system may make decisions for you, and you could lose control over major decisions.

NOT PLANNING FOR INCAPACITATION
Every day people are involved in accidents that cause disability and the inability to make financial and medical decisions for themselves. By putting in place key documents, you can help avoid this from happening to you and your family.

PUTTING OFF ESTATE PLANNING
Many people procrastinate when it comes to creating their estate plan because they are not sure what to do. Unfortunately, many people procrastinate until it is too late.

DID YOU KNOW: PROBATE CAN COST UP TO 5-10% OF YOUR ESTATE’S VALUE*

NOT CHOOSING THE RIGHT WAY TO DISTRIBUTE YOUR ASSETS
There are many ways to plan your estate, but there is only one way that is right for you and your family situation.

NOT CONSULTING WITH A PROFESSIONAL
Each person’s situation is unique and each state has their own rules for the distribution of your estate. Make sure that you get it right by working with a professional.

LEARN HOW TO AVOID THESE SEVEN COSTLY MISTAKES

UNDERUTILIZING STRATEGIES TO PROTECT YOUR ASSETS
Every year people lose assets that were meant for their family to probate costs and taxes.

NOT KNOWING WHICH DOCUMENTS ARE REQUIRED
Utilizing the right documents is imperative to a worry-free estate plan.

*2015 http/info.legalzoom.com
Basics of Estate Planning

Often the hardest part of any planning is just getting started. Having a basic understanding of estate planning allows you to formulate your plan for what you would like to do at death or in case of incapacitation. This section is designed to help you understand the big picture of why estate planning is so important.

Planning for Incapacitation

Unfortunately, unforeseen illnesses and accidents happen in life. Planning ahead for these events is imperative to making sure that you maintain control over personal decisions that will affect you. This section will give you a better understanding of what is needed so that you have peace of mind over these key decisions.

Wills

No one wants to be a burden to their loved ones at death. By having a will in place, you maintain control over key decisions at death, making it much easier on those you leave behind. This section will help you understand what is required and how to put one in place.

Probate

The probate process can be complex and costly. Many people think that you have to probate your estate. In this section you will learn how to avoid probate and all of the costs that go along with it.

Direct Transfer

There is always an easier way! In this section you will learn some incredibly easy ways to transfer assets to your loved ones without any hassle. You will also learn how these methods can save you time and money.

Trust

Do you want even more flexibility and control than what a simple will offers? Then a trust may be right for you. In this section, you will learn all of the ins and outs of the different types of trusts and how they can benefit you.

Taxes

It’s been said that the only two things guaranteed in life are death and taxes. Unfortunately, at death there is a wide array of taxes that you may be exposed to. In the last few years, estate tax law has changed drastically. In this section you will learn all about the different taxes that are owed at death and strategies on how to help avoid them.

Planning Strategies

Once you have learned the basics, then it will be time to learn the more advanced strategies. In this section you will learn strategies for how to reduce costs and taxes. We will also discuss Medicare and what you need to know now to prepare for Long Term Care costs. In addition, you will learn what to do next when a loved one dies.

EDUCATION AND PLANNING ARE THE KEYS
I. BASICS OF ESTATE PLANNING
   A. Estate Planning Defined
   B. Introduction to Estate Planning
   C. Objectives While Living
   D. Objectives at Death
   E. Ten Most Common Mistakes

II. PLANNING FOR INCAPACITATION
   A. What is Incapacitation
   B. How it Can Affect You
   C. Key Documents Needed
   D. What to do with Your Incapacitation Documents

III. WILLS
   A. What is a Will and Do I Need One
   B. Disadvantages of Dying Without a Will
   C. Advantages of Having a Will
   D. Disadvantages of a Will-Only Estate Plan
   E. When to Revisit Your Will

IV. PROBATE
   A. What is Probate
   B. Advantages of Going Through Probate
   C. Costs Associated with Probate
   D. Avoiding Probate

V. DIRECT TRANSFER
   A. What is Direct Transfer
   B. Gifting While You’re Alive

VI. TRUST
   A. What is a Trust
   B. Benefits of Trusts
   C. Disadvantages of Trusts
   D. Types of Trusts: Testamentary vs. Living
   E. Types of Trusts: Revocable vs. Irrevocable

VII. TAXES
   A. Taxed Coming and Going
   B. Income Tax
   C. Estate Tax
   D. Gift Tax
   E. Generation Skipping Tax
   F. Capital Gains Tax
   G. Estate Tax Example

VIII. PLANNING STRATEGIES
   A. Bypass Trust
   B. Irrevocable Living Trust
   C. Qualified Terminable Interest Property (QTIP)
   D. Special Needs Trust
   E. Medicare Planning and Long-Term Care
   F. Miller Trusts
   G. Family Limited Partnerships
   H. Survivor Planning
   I. What to do When a Loved One Dies

TO A SUCCESSFUL ESTATE PLAN
Wills, Trusts and Estate Planning is both enjoyable and educational. Classes are led by Josh W. Strittmatter, CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER®. The presentation will be filled with valuable information as well as real life experiences. The instructor promotes an interactive format where participation and questions are encouraged.

**Course Textbook**

This course includes a textbook with examples and interactive material that is yours to keep. The book is written in easy-to-understand language and will help you follow along throughout the presentation.

**Comprehensive Learning**

Unlike financial seminars that focus on one topic, this course is designed to help you see the "big picture". You will have an opportunity to learn about the many aspects of estate planning, how they can work together to make the process easier, and help you make sure you get what you want from your estate plan. This course is purely educational and nothing is sold to you.

**Optional Consultation**

If you have questions that are personal in nature or would like to find out more about estate planning, you may arrange to meet privately with your instructor after the course is complete. This consultation is complimentary for class attendees but is not required.

**YOUR INSTRUCTOR**

Your instructor is Josh W. Strittmatter, CFP®, CRC®. He teaches courses on Estate Planning at several local colleges and universities as well as educational workshops on investment management and retirement.

**HOW TO REGISTER:**

1) Complete the enclosed registration form and mail with your tuition payment to:  
   UT Arlington Continuing Education  
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   **Check:** When registering via mail or in person  
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