

# ESTATE PLANNING CHECKLIST

## SECTION 1 – FAMILY INFORMATION

A. **Yourself.** **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. Your name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Other names by which you are known (e.g., maiden name) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Your home address and phone/e-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_
4. Your county of residence: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Your social security #: \_\_\_\_\_
6. Your date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Your place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_
8. Your citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_
9. Your occupation: \_\_\_\_\_
10. Your business address, phone, fax and e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
11. General state of health: \_\_\_\_\_
12. Date of marriage: \_\_\_\_\_
13. Any prior marriages – divorces, separations, annulments, etc.? \_\_\_\_\_
14. Do you have a premarital agreement (or similar agreement) between you and your spouse? (If yes, please attach a copy) \_\_\_\_\_

B. **Spouse.**

1. Spouse's name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Other names by which spouse is known (e.g., maiden name) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Spouse's social security #: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Spouse's date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Spouse's place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_
6. Spouse's citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Spouse's occupation: \_\_\_\_\_
8. Spouse's business address, phone and fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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9. General state of health: \_\_\_\_\_
10. Any prior marriages – divorces, separations, annulments, etc.? \_\_\_\_\_

**C. Children (including adopted children and stepchildren).**

Do you anticipate any more children? \_\_\_\_\_

Are any children adopted or stepchildren? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you or anyone in your family disabled? \_\_\_\_\_

Does anyone in your family receive government benefits? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, when did these benefits start. \_\_\_\_\_

**Child 1**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Address and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

4. If deceased, date of death: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

6. If married, spouse's name: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Stability of marriage? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Any children born of the child's marriage? If yes, list names and birth dates. \_\_\_\_\_

**Child 2**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Address and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

4. If deceased, date of death: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

6. If married, spouse's name: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Stability of marriage? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Any children born of the child's marriage? If yes, list names and birth dates. \_\_\_\_\_

**Child 3**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Address and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_
3. Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_
4. If deceased, date of death: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_
6. If married, spouse's name: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Stability of marriage? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Any children born of the child's marriage? If yes, list names and birth dates. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Child 4**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Address and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_
4. If deceased, date of death: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_
6. If married, spouse's name: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Stability of marriage? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Any children born of the child's marriage? If yes, list names and birth dates. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Child 5**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Address and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_
3. Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_
4. If deceased, date of death: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_
6. If married, spouse's name: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Stability of marriage? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Any children born of the child's marriage? If yes, list names and birth dates. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**D. Your Closet Living Relatives.**

Father: \_\_\_\_\_ Age:\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Age:\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Sibling: \_\_\_\_\_ Age:\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Sibling: \_\_\_\_\_ Age:\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Sibling: \_\_\_\_\_ Age:\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**E. Your Spouse's Closest Living Relatives.**

Father: \_\_\_\_\_ Age:\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Age:\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Sibling: \_\_\_\_\_ Age:\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Sibling: \_\_\_\_\_ Age:\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Sibling: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**SECTION 2 – MISCELLANEOUS**

**A.** Do you or your spouse own any assets located outside the State of Michigan? (If yes, please describe the asset and its location.)

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**B.** Have you or your spouse ever lived in a community property state (Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, or Washington)?

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**C.** Do you have a safe deposit box? (If yes, please give the name of the bank and the number of the box.)

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**D.** **Excluded Heirs.**

Is there anyone who you or your spouse would wish to exclude from any portion of your estate? (If yes, please identify) \_\_\_\_\_

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**E.** Do any persons owe you money? If so, provide the name of the borrower and the amount outstanding.

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**Remarks**

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**SECTION 3 – ASSETS**

**D. Assets – Please Enter Approximate Dollar Amounts. Single individuals please use fist and third columns only.**

	<b><u>Husband</u></b>	<b><u>Wife</u></b>	<b><u>Joint</u></b>
1. Real estate			
a. Home-present value			
b. (Less mortgage)			
Home equity	(            )	(            )	(            )
c. Other real estate			
d. Other real estate			
2. Bank accounts and CDs			
a. Savings			
b. Checking			
c. Certificate of Deposit			
d. Money Market Accounts			
3. Marketable stocks			
a. You Hold Certificates			
b. Brokerage Account			
4. Bonds			
5. Mutual Funds			
6. Notes & Loan receivable			
7. Life Insurance			
8. Closely-held business			
9. Pension & retirement benefits			
10. Personal nonbusiness property			
11. Annuities			
12. Individual Retirement Accts			
13. Other Assets (describe)			
a.			
b.			
c.			
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>			

When was the last time your Homeowner’s Insurance and Auto Insurance Policies were reviewed? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Do you have long term care insurance? \_\_\_\_\_

**Remarks**

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**SECTION 4 – ESTATE PLANNING DOCUMENTS TO BE PREPARED**

**A. Trustee Matters**

1) Trustee

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Alternate Trustee

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Durable Power of Attorney.**

1) Person to have power of attorney:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Alternate person to have power of attorney:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

**C. Medical Directive (also known as “Living Will” and Medical Power of Attorney.**

- 1) Person to make decision concerning your health care in the event you are unable to make your own decisions.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

- 2) Alternate person to make decisions concerning your health care in the event you are unable to make your own decisions.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

**D. Guardian For Minor or Person With Disability.**

- 1) Person(s) to have care and custody of your children in the event both of you are deceased or unable.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

- 2) Alternate person(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address and Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_



**PLEASE FILL OUT FOR ANY SIGNIFICANT FAMILY MEMBER IN  
YOUR ESTATE PLAN WITH A DISABILITY**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

**PURPOSE:** TO PROVIDE CURRENT INFORMATION REGARDING THE HISTORY OF [INSERT DISABLED PERSON'S NAME] \_\_\_\_\_, THE DAILY AND WEEKLY ROUTINES, AND RELATIONSHIPS AND ACTIVITIES THAT CONTRIBUTE TO HIS/HER QUALITY OF LIFE.

**COMPLETION AND REVIEW:** TO BE COMPLETED BY \_\_\_\_\_ [PARENT(S)] AND REVISED AS NECESSARY.

**ATTACH SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES AS NECESSARY**

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

PLEASE INSERT DISABLED PERSON'S  
NAME BELOW.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PREFERS TO BE CALLED: \_\_\_\_\_

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

HEIGHT, WEIGHT: \_\_\_\_\_

CLOTHING AND SHOE SIZES: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY WHERE RAISED: \_\_\_\_\_

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**MEDICAL INFORMATION – HISTORY, CURRENT STATUS AND CARE REQUIREMENTS**

Diagnosis – primary diagnoses of condition and physical limitations:

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**MEDICAL COMPLICATIONS:**

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**SEIZURES (HISTORY, CURRENT STATUS):**

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**INTELLECTUAL FUNCTIONING:**

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VISION – STATUS OF VISION, NEED FOR GLASSES, DATE OF LAST EYE EXAM:

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HEARING – NORMAL, NEED HEARING AID, ETC.:

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SPEECH/ COMMUNICATIONS – NORMAL, IMPAIRED, DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND:

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MOBILITY – ASSISTANCE NEEDED, ASSISTIVE DEVICES USED:

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HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE (COMPANY AND POLICY NUMBERS):

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CURRENT PHYSICIANS AND HEALTH PRACTITIONERS (NAME, LOCATION, AND SPECIALTY):

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FORMER PHYSICIANS (NAME, LOCATION, AND SPECIALTY):

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DOES DISABLED PERSON CURRENTLY NEED NURSING CARE? IF YES, DESCRIBE PLACE AND TYPE REQUIRED (CLINIC, HOME, ETC.)

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MENTAL HEALTH PRACTITIONERS CURRENTLY TREATING DISABLED PERSON (NAME, LOCATION)

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THERAPY – IS DISABLED PERSON CURRENTLY UNDERGOING ANY TYPE OF THERAPY (PHYSICAL, SPEECH, OR OCCUPATIONAL)? IF YES, LIST NAME(S) OF THERAPIST(S), SPECIALTY AND LOCATION:

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DIAGNOSTIC TESTING – LIST ANY DIAGNOSTIC TESTS REGULARLY UNDERGONE BY DISABLED PERSON (PURP LOCATION, FREQUENCY):

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IMMUNIZATIONS – TYPE AND DATES OF IMMUNIZATIONS DISABLED PERSON HAS RECEIVED:

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DISEASES – CHILDHOOD AND ADULTHOOD, DATES AND TYPES

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OPERATIONS OR OTHER HOSPITALIZATION (DATES, PURPOSE, LOCATION):

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ALLERGIES AND CURRENT TREATMENT:

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PARENTS' OF DISALED PERSON AND THEIR RESPECTIVE HEALTH HISTORIES, CURRENT CONDITION:

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