

How to avoid family litigation after you die

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It may seem illogical to pose the question: "How to avoid family litigation after you die?" given the obvious: you're dead. However, after you are gone, family members can end up fighting over money and squabbling over what they feel they are entitled to, which can often lead to a legal battle in order to attain what is desired (which may not be the object at all). Some legal fights involve a dispute over the contents or legitimacy of a will, or the appointment of an executor or the selection of an attorney for property and personal care (if your capacity is an issue). The simple answer to the question of avoiding litigation is to prepare ahead. All too often people either inadequately prepare their estate plan or fail to prepare one at all. There are four key ways to avoid costly litigation surrounding estate disputes.

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