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COLLEGE CHAOS

Don't let your kids leave home without this...

A few years ago, we wrote an article called, *But Aren't We Your Parents?* The article was well received in the community and helped educate parents with college age children. This article can be found on our website at ashmorelaw.com.

As an attorney, we see this situation arise more than we ever imagined. And honestly, now that I am a parent, it makes me appreciate the strength my parents had for allowing me to go off to college with all the worrying I'm sure they endured. Imagine receiving that early Saturday morning phone call with an unfamiliar voice on the line telling you your child has been involved in an accident. I know my first reaction would be to get in my car, or take the first flight out to get to my child. I'd rush as fast as I could to the hospital only to be told that my child is still alive but has not regained consciousness and may not for hours, days, or even months. As the shock wears off and the fog slowly lifts, I begin to think of what to do with their apartment lease, bank account, car, and even their medical decisions.

You may have thought you and your husband were being "responsible" by having your estate planning documents in place, but never did you dream that your child going off to college needed these documents as well. Because your child is 18 and considered an adult, without these documents, you have no legal rights to make decisions for them. This includes not having the right to see their medical records, to relocate them to another hospital facility, to break their lease, or access their bank accounts. In order to have these rights, you are forced to hire an attorney and get the court involved. It is the court that will tell you who is best suited to make decisions on behalf of your child. This is a costly and lengthy process that could have been avoided if you had the proper estate planning documents in place.

Because we see this situation happen TOO many times, The Ashmore Law Firm is offering these essential estate planning documents for FREE through August 15, 2015. See our offer below.

FREE ESTATE PLANNING DOCUMENTS

The Must-have Documents Included in this Offer:

- Statutory Durable Power of Attorney
- Medical Power of Attorney
- HIPAA Authorization
- Directive to Physicians (Living Will)

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THE ASHMORE LAW FIRM EVENT CALENDAR

Have you seen our most recent Google+ Hangout?
We had the opportunity to have Brian Cuban on as a guest!

If you missed it, you can watch a replay at: www.ashmorelaw.com/video/google-hangout-with-brian-cuban.cfm

Watch our next Hangout! July 29th — 2:00pm - 2:15pm — Google+ Hangout

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SUMMER SAFETY TIPS



With summer upon us, keeping your family safe in the sun, the water, and the great outdoors is imperative! Keep in mind these summer safety tips.

Beat the Heat

When you're enjoying the outdoors this summer be aware that anybody not accustomed to the heat is at risk for overheating. Protect yourself by:

- Wearing proper clothing, including hats and sunglasses
- Taking regular water breaks to stay hydrated
- Always applying sunscreen with a minimum of SPF 15
- Never leaving children or pets unattended in a vehicle

Swim Safety

Without question, drowning is one of the worst dangers and biggest concerns connected to water. Did you know that 1 in 5 drowning victims are children 14 years and younger? Help keep your kids safe by:

- Enrolling children in swim lessons
- Not relying on lifeguards to watch your children
- Never leaving your child unattended in a pool or tub
- Learning CPR
- Using the buddy system



Swimming After Eating

It's best to wait half an hour after you eat before getting back in the water. As your body digests food, you have less blood flow and that makes you weak. If you found yourself in a position where you were swimming with an undertow, you could be in trouble.



BBQ

Summer isn't summer without a barbecue! Keep your BBQ safe by:

- Cooking hamburgers carefully so they are not pink
- Keeping mayonnaise and salads with mayonnaise out of the sun (don't let them sit out more than 15 minutes)
- Making sure your grill is located far away from your home, deck railings and not under eaves and overhanging branches
- Using barbecue utensils with long handles to avoid burns and splatters
- Having a fire extinguisher handy

Avoid trouble and stay safe this summer with these safety tips!

For more summer safety tips, visit www.nsc.org and www.hpba.org.

Firm Events



Ranger's Opening Day



North Texas Senior Expo

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



We are pleased to announce the expansion of our family law department with the addition of a new attorney.

Whitney N. Keltch joined the firm after practicing family law for 3 years. She is a graduate of the Baylor School of Law.

She has handled many complex divorces, enforcement of prior orders, premarital agreements, child modifications, post marital agreements, Child Protective Services proceedings, and paternity cases.

We are excited to have her as the newest member of our team!

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