

The Academy

Heir preparation packet

Provide your heirs with vital information, contacts and instructions



Caring for your loved ones takes many forms. One important way is to prepare them in case of your incapacitation or death by providing critical information. You can do this by completing a formal heir preparation packet.

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To the investor(s)	As uncomfortable as the topic of death can be, it is an inevitable part of life. We can either leave our loved ones to continue without us, scrambling for proper next steps, or we can help prepare them. By completing this heir preparation packet you can provide your heirs with a comprehensive document containing vital information, contacts, and instructions.				
	What's in it for you? This document:				
	1. Confirms that you have proper documentation completed				
	2. Gives you peace of mind that your heirs will be prepared in case of emergency				
	3. Reduces the likelihood of mistakes during the probate process				
	What's in it for your loved ones?				
	1. Clarity in a time of stress, confusion, and grief				
	2. Assurance they have what they need to follow your wishes				
	This document is organized in order of urgency to provide your survivors with critical information as soon as possible. Given the content, filling out this document will take time and it will be a work in progress. Whatever the time commitment looks like for you, it will be one of the most important investments of your time.				
	To simplify the moments after your death, discuss estate distribution instructions with a trusted advisor. Keep them updated on any changes throughout the years.				
To the heir(s)	Grief looks different for every individual. We hope you are coping with this time in whichever way you find most appropriate for yourself. If you are reading this, someone wanted to make things as easy as possible for you by gathering critical information to help you through this difficult time.				
	The sections in this document include:				
	1. Important information and documents				
	2. Advisors and critical financial information				
	3. Insurance and benefits				
	4. Family history and ethical will/legacy letter				
	5. Guidance on next steps				
	 You may choose to store this document in a variety of ways: Keep all copies in a locked location that is accessible only by people you fully trust Provide copies only to persons who you are confident can be trusted to maintain the privacy of your information Ensure that any electronic copies of the document are saved only on a secure device or in a secure online location 				
	 Avoid sharing the document electronically, but if you choose to do so, use appropriate security measures 				
	Above all, this document is designed to consolidate and supplement, not replace or supersede, a legal will or any other estate planning documents. Please see page 18 for				

delivery instructions.

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Dear loved ones,

As an attempt to simplify matters for you during this difficult time, I have written this to provide you with critical information and necessary contacts.

To start, I'd like you to know the following:



Important information and documents

My general information	I DO NOT have a safe deposit box	
	I DO have a safe deposit box. It is located:	
	Safe deposit box key location	
	The following names have access to the box	
	I DO NOT have a personal safe	
	I DO have a personal safe. The combination is:	
	My mobile phone passcode	My computer password
	My primary email address	The password
	My secondary email address	The password
	My internet service provider	My account number
	Social media accounts and passwords	

My general information	Subscriptions and passwords	
continued		

Other devices and passwords		
My Social Security number	My driver's license number	
My Medicare number	My passport number	
Passport location		
My religious affiliation(s)		
I am a member of the following community	groups	
The name of my emergency contact	Phone number	
Relationship to this person		

regarding my general information

My documents

Documents	Date signed	Exact location	N/A
Will			
Living will			
Medical power of attorney			
Medical directive			
General power of attorney			
Living trust			
Insurance trust			
Charitable trust			
Minor's trust			
Custodial account			
529 education plan			
Prenuptial agreement			
Postnuptial agreement			
Divorce decree or settlement			
Citizenship papers			
Retirement plan beneficiary designation			
Insurance beneficiary designation			
Military discharge papers (DD214)			
Employment or independent contractor contract			
Burial agreement			
Organ donation			
Children adoption papers			
Other			
Other			
Other			

My documents continued	Upon my death, my beneficiaries
	WILL receive a distribution of benefits from a trust
	WILL NOT receive a distribution of benefits from a trust
	If applicable, the trust instrument was created by
	If applicable, the trust instrument can be found
	I AM a beneficiary of a trust
	I AM NOT a beneficiary of a trust
	If applicable, the trust instrument can be found
	I am legal guardian for the following person(s)

Guardian documents location

I have ownership for the following businesses						
Business	Partner	Date signed	Buy-sell agre	ement	Buy-out insur	ance
			Yes	No	Yes	No
			Yes	No	Yes	No
			Yes	No	Yes	No
			Yes	No	Yes	No

It is also important for my family and advisors to know the following information regarding my business

Section 2

Advisors and critical financial information

Important contact inform	Important contact information		
Accountant	Name		
	Address		
	Phone		
	Email		
Attorney	Name		
	Address		
	Phone		
	Email		
Employer	Name		
	Address		
	Phone		
	Email		
Financial professional	Name		
	Address		
	Phone		
	Email		
Insurance advisor Life, health and disability	Name		
Life, fleath and disability	Address		
	Phone		
	Email		
Insurance advisor Property and casualty	Name		
Property and casualty	Address		
	Phone		
	Email		

Mortgage servicer	Name
	Address
	Phone
	Email
Other	Name
	Address
	Phone
	Email

My assets (e.g., 401k, IRA, brokerage accounts, stocks, bonds)

Investment	Name
	Contact name
	Phone
	Documents are located
Investment	Name
	Contact name
	Phone
	Documents are located
Investment	Name
	Contact name
	Phone
	Documents are located
Investment	Name
	Contact name
	Phone
	Documents are located
Investment	Name
	Contact name
	Phone
	Documents are located

Money is owed to us	Name				
	Address				
	Phone				
	Amount owed				
	This loan is verified by signed writing.	Yes	No		
Money is owed to us	Name				
	Address				
	Phone				
	Amount owed				
	This loan is verified by signed writing.	Yes	No		
Money is owed to us	Name				
	Address				
	Phone				
	Amount owed				
	This loan is verified by signed writing.	Yes	No		
Loaned and stored assets I have loaned the following pe Loaned assets (art, collectibles, etc.)		er			
I have stored assets in the follo Stored asset (art, collectibles, etc.)	owing locations. If a written agreement ex Stora	t ists, I hav age location			

Location to the storage facility key(s)

My liabilities	
Liability 1	Name
	Contact name
	Phone
	Documents are located
Liability 2	Name
	Contact name
	Phone
	Documents are located
Liability 3	Name
	Contact name
	Phone
	Documents are located
Liability 4	Name
	Contact name
	Phone
	Documents are located
l am also a guarantor	of the following debt
Liability 1	Name
	Contact name
	Phone
	Documents are located
Liability 2	Name
	Contact name
	Phone
	Documents are located

Bank accounts				
Bank	Account type/number	Balance (\$)	Username	Password/PIN
		Total		
Credit cards				
Bank	Account type/number	Balance (\$)	Username	Password/PIN
		Total		
Assets I lease				
Asset	Location	Payment (\$)	Lessor	Contact information

I think it is also important for my family and advisors to know the following information regarding my assets and liabilities

My charitable donations	
Charities I would like you to continue supporting	

Insurance and benefits

My insurance coverage

If I become disabled, please make sure the policy premiums continue to be paid.

Life insuraı	nce policies							
Гуре	Owner	Beneficiary	Carrier	Policy number	Face value (\$)	Loans (\$)	Cash value (\$)	Premium (\$
Disability ir	nsurance policies							
Business		Policy location		Policy num	ber	Annual premium (\$)	Paid by the business	
							Yes	No
							Yes	No
							Yes	No
	care policies							
Business		Policy location		Policy number		Annual premium (\$)	Paid by the business	
							Yes	No
							Yes	No
							Yes	No
Health insu	irance policies							
Business		Policy location		Policy num	ber	Annual premium (\$)	Paid by the	e business
							Yes	No
							Yes	No
							Yes	No
Title insura	nce policies							
Business		Policy location		Policy num	ber	Annual premium (\$)	Paid by the business	
							Yes	No
							Yes	No
							Yes	No

Section 3 Insurance and benefits

Additional pol	licies					
Туре	Carrier	Policy location	Policy number	Annual premium (\$)	Automatic ba	ank payment
Auto					Yes	No
Boat/airplane					Yes	No
Home					Yes	No
Jewelery					Yes	No
Overhead exp	enses				Yes	No
Umbrella					Yes	No
Identity theft					Yes	No
Other					Yes	No
Other					Yes	No

If my premium payments are paid automatically from my bank account, please make sure the account is not closed without ensuring this payment.

My employment benefits		
Retirement plan(s)		
Life insurance		
Health insurance		
Long-term care insurance		
Disability insurance		
Military retirement benefits		
Military survivor benefits		
Deferred compensation		
Stock ownership		
Stock options		
Other		
The governmental and/or military benefits I am entitled to	Other benefits I am entitled to	

Section 4

Family history

Birth location (city & state)	Birth date
Parent/guardian 1	Parent/guardian 2
Maternal grandmother	Maternal grandfather
Paternal grandmother	Paternal grandfather
My brothers and sisters (including step and half-siblings)	
My children	
I was adopted. My birth mother is	My birth father is
Important facts about my family history include the following	

Guidance on next steps

To simplify this stressful and confusing time for you, I have created a second document that contains my final wishes and ethical will. I have coordinated distribution instructions with my financial professional, so please see below for guidance on next steps.

Instructions

My final wishes and ethical will can be found in a document titled *"I love you letter: Final wishes and ethical will."* As soon as possible, please contact my financial advisor for instructions on how to obtain this document. Their contact information is below.

Financial professional name	e
Financial professional firm	
Address	
Phone	
Email	
	They have been instructed to give access to the "Love you letter: Final wishes and ethical will "

They have been instructed to give access to the "I love you letter: Final wishes and ethical will." document to the following people

They have been instructed to

Attached, you will find copies of the following documents:

My current financial statement

My current life insurance

My personal property ownership list

My personal property disposition list

My personal property agreements

This document is designed to supplement, not replace or supersede, my will or any other estate planning documents signed by me. I hope that each heir, family member, Power Holder, Executor, Trustee, and Guardians will use this and other documents signed by me in making any decisions for my family and me.

Signature

Date

Print name

Notes		

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