2025 · WHAT ISSUES SHOULD I CONSIDER BEFORE I UPDATE MY ESTATE PLAN?



BENEFICIARY & FIDUCIARY ISSUES	YES	NO
Have any individuals named as beneficiaries or fiduciaries (e.g., Executor, Trustee) passed away?		
Are there any individuals (or charitable organizations) that should be added or removed as beneficiaries (primary or contingent)?		
Have there been any marriages or divorces that would impact your estate plan?		
Is there a beneficiary with special needs receiving government assistance?		
Have there been (or could there be) any births that would impact your estate plan?		
Do you need to protect any beneficiaries from a divorce, creditor issues, substance abuse, mental illness, spending issues, or gambling issues?		
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MINORS & CHILDREN RELATED ISSUES	YES	NO
Have any of your children reached age 18 (or the age of majority in your state)? If so, they no longer need to have a guardian or personal representative.		
If you have children under age 18, do you need to appoint or change the named Guardians and/or Trustees?		
Do you have an adult child who has no spouse or child? If so, consider talking to your child about implementing their own Powers of Attorney (General and Health Care), perhaps appointing you to act on their behalf if they are unable to do so.		
OTHER ISSUES	YES	NO
Have there been any changes to state or federal laws since your estate plan was last reviewed?		
Are there digital assets that should be preserved?		
Are there any state-specific issues that should be considered such as a state estate tax?		



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