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**I. REASONS FOR YOU TO GET A WILL THROUGH AN ATTORNEY**

- A. An attorney makes sure it gets done w/ witnesses and a notary
- B. An attorney can help prevent will contests and disputes
- C. An attorney can answer legal questions you have along the way
- D. To make people you care about have it easier after you die
- E. To have a Living Will--for health care decisions if you become incompetent
- F. To choose an Executor (to manage things after you die) --No co-execs
- G. For tax planning
- H. To assure proper business succession
- I. If you want to give to a charity
- J. If you want to give to a non-family member, distant relative or friend
- K. If you already have a will, but have married, divorced, had kids or changed income or assets
- L. If you already have a will, but it is from another state

**II. REASONS IF YOU'RE MARRIED (or Living Together or Single) W/ KIDS**

- A. Appoint a guardian for children, esp. in case of simultaneous death
- B. If you want to give to anyone other than spouse & kids

**III. REASONS IF YOU'RE MARRIED W/ NO KIDS**

- A. If you want to give to anyone other than 75% spouse/25% parents

**IV. REASONS IF YOU'RE SINGLE W/ NO KIDS**

- A. If you want to give to anyone other than parents, siblings, nieces/nephews or cousins

**V. REASONS IF YOU'RE UNMARRIED PARTNERS**

- A. If you want to give to each other
- B. If you want to participate in medical and funeral decisions of the other