


HOW TO ACHIEVE YOUR ESTATE PLANNING GOALS UNDER OHIO LAW

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AFTER YOU PASS				
Avoid Court Proceedings				
Requires probate proceedings, including court and legal fees	YES	YES	NO	NO
Requires court hearings	YES	YES	NO	NO
Assets inaccessible (frozen) upon passing of the deceased	YES	YES	NO	NO
Prolonged administration (12-18 mos. typical without litigation)	YES	YES	NO	NO
Control What Happens To Your Assets				
Control how, when, and where assets are distributed	NO	NO	YES	YES
Full control of who manages your estate and assets	NO	NO	YES	YES
Protect inheritance for descendants if spouse remarries	NO	NO	YES	YES
Ensure non-parental spouse is cared for and your loved ones receive inheritance after spouse passes	NO	NO	YES	YES
Preserve tax exemptions	NO	NO	YES	YES
Ability to preserve inheritance received by heirs from depletion due to divorce, creditors, money management, or gov't aid programs	NO	NO	YES	YES
Eliminates most common family arguments	NO	YES	YES	YES
Simplifies handling of your estate and affairs	NO	YES	YES	YES
Fiduciary will follow your wishes	NO	YES	YES	YES
Control who inherits from you	NO	YES	YES	YES
WHILE YOU ARE STILL ALIVE				
Protect Your Assets				
Ensures inheritance is there for your loved ones	NO	NO	NO	YES
Protects your assets if you are sued (Subject to O.R.C. 1336)	NO	NO	NO	YES
Protects your assets from creditors (Subject to O.R.C. 1336)	NO	NO	NO	YES
Ability to protect your assets from nursing home or medical expenses	NO	NO	NO	YES

Note: Statements above are for general informational purposes only. Rights and abilities may be different depending on jurisdiction, facts and circumstances, the documents involved, timing, and pertinent law at the time applicable. [●] Pros [●] Cons