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Upcoming Events

- ◆ **February 27th - The ARC Live the Dream Expo - East - Rockwall**
Tresi Weeks will be participating in the ARC Expo in Rockwall. [Click here](#) for information.
- ◆ **March 3rd - Lunch and Learn: Family Legal Documents 101 at the Weeks Law Firm**
Join the Weeks Law Firm for a free workshop from 11:30-12:30 pm, to learn what legal documents you need to protect your family. [Click here](#) to register.



Special Needs Trust Conference

Tresi will be speaking at the annual Special Needs Trust Conference in Austin on Thursday and Friday, February 4 and 5, 2016, sponsored by the UT Law School. Tresi will present on the new Supported Decision-Making Agreement Act, and will serve on a panel presenting on Accessible, Affordable and Available Healthcare Resources for individuals with disabilities. The conference is the only Special Needs Trust conference in Texas and is attended by attorneys, financial advisors and trust officers.

A New Program to Help Fund Home-Based Care



Texas is now offering a program called “Community First Choice” to help families pay for home-based services for individuals with disabilities. The goal is to make it financially possible for more of these individuals to live among family, rather than moving to a nursing facility. We’d like to provide you with some introductory highlights to help you determine if this legislation could possibly benefit your family. If you find you’d like to learn more, see the links below to get more information.

What is it? As an entitlement program stemming from Obamacare, the government provides funding for community-based home service expenses to qualifying individuals.

Click [here](#) to read more.



Thinking Outside the Box:

Why Passing Unequal Shares to Your Children Can Sometimes Make Sense

For parents of multiple children, leaving equal shares to your kids may not *always* be the way to go. In fact, there are some very logical reasons to consider alternative distribution. Let’s take a look at four examples of circumstances that might prompt one to question whether convention should be tossed out the window.

When it might make sense to pass unequal shares to your children:

Expensive Education: Anthony and Sara have a son and daughter. Their son, Jared, received a full ride academic scholarship to a state school, and studied engineering. He did so well in his undergraduate education, that between a work-study program and additional scholarship funds, his master’s degree is also almost fully paid for.

Click [here](#) to read more.

Highlights

- ♦ **January 8th - Collin County Bar Association** Tresi Weeks presented to the Estate Planning and Probate section of the Collin County Bar Association on “Hello from the Other Side: Salvaging Special Needs Situations.”
- ♦ **January 14th - St. Anthony’s Parent Meeting** Tresi Weeks spoke about Special Needs Trusts, Guardianship and government benefits with parents at St. Anthony’s School.
- ♦ **January 21st - Leadership Plano** Tresi Weeks attended the Leadership Plano training. She is a member of Leadership Plano Class 33.
- ♦ **January 27th - Focus on The Future Parent Meeting** Tresi Weeks spoke to parents at the Focus on The Future school about guardianship, alternatives to guardianship and government benefits for your child.
- ♦ **January 29th & 30th - Disability Rights Texas** Tresi Weeks attended the board of Directors meeting in Austin, Texas. Tresi is a member of the board and chairs the Strategic Planning Committee.



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