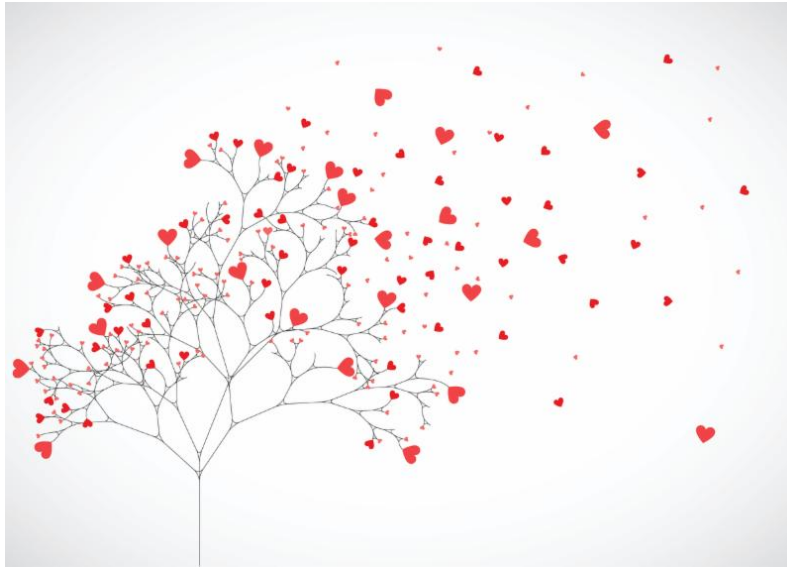




THE WEEKS' UPDATE

February 2017



Upcoming Events:

February 23, 2017: Tresi will speak to parents and educators on "Guardianships and Alternatives" at [Focus on the Future Training Center](#) in Plano.

February 25, 2017: The Weeks law firm will have a information booth at the [Shine Expo](#) at 9200 Inwood Road Dallas TX 75220 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Learn about all kinds of resources for children with special needs and enjoy some fun activities for the children! It is FREE to attend,

March 2, 2017: [Highland Park Transition Fair](#), Highland Park High School. Tresi will present "Guardianships and Alternatives" to families, caregivers and educators.

March 4, 2017: The Weeks Law Firm will have an information booth at the [Dallas ISD Information and Resource Fair](#) at the Special Education Pegasus Building, 912 South Ervay Street Dallas, Texas 75201

March 25, 2017: [The PISD Mariposa Special Education Adult Transition Fair](#), featuring informational resources and speakers. Join Tresi as she participates in a panel discussion on "Planning for the Future".

April 24, 2017: [Camp Summit's 23rd Annual Golf Tournament](#) will be held at Bear Creek Golf Club in Dallas, and they need your help! Camp Summit provides barrier-free outdoor experiences for children and adults with disabilities throughout the community. Enjoy a day of golf while supporting their remarkable campers!

April 29, 2017: [The 4th Annual My Possibilities Community Ball](#), presented by Alliance Data. "The Big Reveal", is guaranteed to be a night filled with endless possibilities for adults with special needs!

Past Events:

January 21, 2017: At Region 10's [Connecting the Dots Expo-North](#), Tresi presented

"Guardianships and Alternatives". The event was sponsored by Allen ISD, Dallas ISD, Garland ISD, Mesquite ISD, Plano ISD, Richardson ISD, Wylie ISD.

February 4, 2017: At Region 10's [Connecting the Dots Expo-East](#), Tresi presented "Guardianships and Alternatives". The event was sponsored by Forney ISD, Rockwall ISD, Royce City ISD and Sunnyvale ISD.

February 9-10, 2017: At "[The 13th Annual Changes and Trends Affecting Special Needs Trusts: A Guide for Attorneys, Financial Advisors and Trust Officers](#)" in Austin, Tresi made a presentation on Supportive Decision Making.

February 13-14, 2017: Tresi spoke at the ARC of Texas' Annual [Inclusion Works Conference](#) in Houston.

February 16, 2017: Tresi hosted a Lunch and Learn on Special Needs Planning and Trusts. *Featured Topics included: Special Needs Trusts, Government benefits and how an inheritance affects them, Choosing a trustee and more.* Interested in attending the next session? [Click here for upcoming dates.](#)

February 19, 2017: Lunch and Learn: Family Documents 101. *Featured Topics included: Powers of Attorney and Healthcare Directives, Updating Beneficiary Designation, Probate Process in Texas, and more.* Interested in attending the next session? [Click here for upcoming dates.](#)

February 21, 2017: Tresi conducted a parent training event on guardianships and special needs planning for Coppell ISD.



Shine Expo

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rays of light
where SPECIAL children shine!

FREE to all families with children with special needs!

Find the resources you need
to help your special child shine!

THERAPIES ▯ CAMPS ▯ SPORTS ▯ RESPITE ▯ HOME HEALTH

Saturday, February 25

9:00 am – 1:00 pm

On the campus of Lovers Lane United Methodist Church - 9200 Inwood Rd.

Featured speakers from Income by Design:

9:30 am - Life Planning & the Importance of the Waiver Program

11:00 am - Proper Estate Planning for Special Needs Families

Special activities for KIDS: FACE PAINTING ▯ BALLOON ANIMALS ▯ CRAFTS

The Weeks Law Firm is Growing

Welcome, Heather!

Heather Bell joined us as an associate attorney this past June. Heather grew up in Upstate New York and relocated to Texas with her family. She graduated from the University of Texas at Dallas, *summa cum laude*, with a bachelor's degree in Criminology and a minor in music. In February 2016, Heather received her law degree from Baylor Law School with a concentration in Estate Planning. Heather lives in Little Elm with her German Shepherd, Hank.



We are so glad to have her as part of the team!



The Impact of Divorce on Group Life Insurance

If you've gone through a divorce, you know there are many details involved in the division of assets. Sometimes, things fall through the cracks; one of those things can be updating beneficiary designations. If you have neglected to update a beneficiary designation that currently names your ex-spouse, you leave the door open for confusion and may be taking some unnecessary risks. [Read more...](#)

Young & Single? You Need an Estate Plan Too

A friend jokingly shared the greeting shared between her single friends on Valentine's Day: Happy S.A.D. Day... "Single Awareness Day". She's got a great sense of humor, but what in the world could Valentine's Day possibly have to do with *estate planning*, you ask? Simply that it reminds me of a common misconception among the young



and single that they don't need to worry about that sort of thing until they're older, wiser, richer, married, have kids, etc. But neglecting to plan can have some big ramifications. [Read more...](#)

Voted Best Law Firm in Plano for 2016!



**Thank you everyone who voted for the Weeks Law Firm!
We feel honored and humbled.**

Pictured left to right are: Heather Bell, Attorney; Jennifer Finch, Attorney; Laurie Ottinger, legal assistant; Tresi Weeks, Attorney; Sherrie Frank, Office Manager; Lena Carrera, Director of Community Outreach.

Thank you for your feedback!

"Great law firm and staff! This law firm and staff were amazing! We worked with Heather, and she was great! The entire staff was very prompt in their responses and getting us in for our appointments, in addition to being so helpful and courteous! If you are in need of any of the services they offer, I strongly recommend them!"

-J, Gustafso, Plano



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FOURTH ANNUAL
MY POSSIBILITIES COMMUNITY BALL

THE BIG REVEAL

Saturday, April 29th



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