

## Power of Attorney

There are a number of reasons why someone would want to empower someone else to handle his or her finances or make business decisions. If you have elderly parents, they may no longer be able to manage their finances. You can help them avert financial disaster by attaining the legal authority to act on your parent's behalf in financial matters. People who will be temporarily out of the country, or who have become incapacitated due to an illness or injury, can also benefit from having someone they trust handle their financial and business affairs. **How We Can Help**

The estate planning attorneys at Tully Rinckey PLLC in Buffalo, N.Y. can help you empower someone you trust to handle your financial and business affairs through the execution of a power of attorney. Call us today and schedule a free

initial consultation with an estate planning attorney who is experienced in preparing a variety of powers of attorney. With this legal document you will appoint an "agent," or "attorney-in-fact," and empower him or her to handle your financial and/or business affairs within set parameters. For example, if you want your agent's authority to be limited to a certain financial task, we'll prepare for you a limited power of attorney

. If you want your agent to handle all of your financial affairs, we'll prepare for you a general power of attorney

. If you want the agent's powers to terminate the moment you become incapacitated, you will want a non-durable power of attorney

. If you want those powers to remain in effect throughout your incapacitation, you will want a durable power of attorney

. There is also the option of a springing power of attorney

, under which your agent becomes empowered the moment you are declared incapacitated. Be aware that having joint accounts with your spouse or another party is not the same as having a power of attorney. Such arrangements generally do provide for the transfer of assets in the account upon the death of one of the account holders. However, joint accounts do not empower one account holder to act on behalf of the other account holder. This limitation can be especially problematic if one account holder becomes incapacitated. Don't put your finances at risk. Call Tully Rinckey PLLC in Buffalo, N.Y. and find out how you can benefit from a power of attorney. Remember, your initial consultation with an experienced estate planning attorney is free

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attorneys can represent individuals and families throughout Western New York, including Buffalo, Hamburg, Kenmore, Tonawanda, Amherst, West Seneca, Williamsville, Lackawanna, Cheektowaga, Depew, North Tonawanda, Niagara Falls, and Lockport. Call today to schedule a free

initial consultation with one of our estate planning lawyers at 716-439-4700 or e-mail at [info@1888law4life.com](mailto:info@1888law4life.com)

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to speak to an attorney 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The firm is responsive to the needs of current and prospective clients. We will respond to phone calls within normal business hours and e-mails within hours on the same business day.